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SUNY Cortland College Archives Student Newspaper Digitization Project
Final Report

SUNY Cortland Memorial Library was able to digitize the student newspapers titled the CO-NO Press which lasted from 1925-1942 and Dragon Chronicle 2013-2017 (only the most recent portion was scanned because the bulk of the collection is on NYS Historic Newspapers already). This project included 3870 pages or 571 issues, and two different titles. This project was outsourced to Hudson Archival who digitized this content for us. Hudson Archival also worked with NYS Historic Newspapers to place the newspapers online and make them available.

SUNY Cortland was allotted $4583 in grant funds from the 2019 Technology and Digitization Grant provided SCRLC. The project’s final cost was $4967.45. This collection was part of a larger effort to digitize all of the student newspapers at SUNY Cortland. The name of the newspaper changed over the years to include: The Normal News, CO-NO Press, Hilltop Press, Press, and the Dragon Chronicle. The latter four are now available in NYS Historic Newspapers. Additionally, these newspapers are also linked to our College Archives Research Guide and Digital Commons@Cortland our institutional repository to promote access.

The SUNY Cortland College Archives is pleased to include these titles on NYS Historic Newspapers and provide broader access to those interested in researching SUNY Cortland history. The outcome was a positive and valuable experience. Memorial Library will look to these same resources when working on the upcoming project for the Normal News digitization project.

We appreciate the time and effort that SCRLC, NYS Historic Newspapers, and Hudson Archival took to make this effort a reality and look forward to future collaboration.

Sincerely,

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