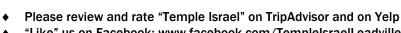
Advertisement Design

With the widespread use of the printing press, dissemination of news locally became easier and more accessible. By the late 1800s, any small town could have a local newspaper. Leadville started with six newspapers and, with those earliest editions. advertisements were a fundamental feature. A printer manually assembled every article, every advertisement, and every page until publishers started using computers to lay out newspapers about a century later. In addition, the printer hand placed and assembled backwards each letter, line, and decorative element on the page. These pages needed to be backwards because the press printed in reverse, creating a mirror image on the paper. Articles that were mainly text were straightforward to assemble. However, advertisements that were more complex took more care to create. Once made however, the publishers often used the same ads for weeks until the businesses wanted different layouts.







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Advertisements of Leadville Jewish Businesses



Exhibit Guide

Jews came to Leadville starting in the 1870s and early 1880s. They saw opportunities to meet the needs of the people, especially miners, in this quickly growing mining town. Many of the Jews were already well skilled and knowledgeable in establishing and running businesses. These business owners knew that sales were very important in order to stay in business. Therefore, many of them soon advertised in the early Leadville newspapers to drum up business and continued to do so throughout their business lives.



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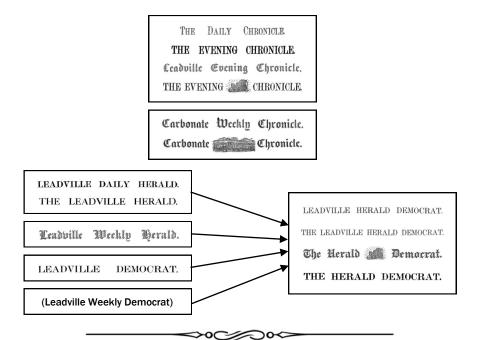
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Leadville Newspapers

Six newspapers began publication in 1879 and 1880 shortly after Leadville incorporated. Some of these papers changed or tweaked their names over time. By late 1885, four of the newspapers merged to form a new newspaper, The Herald Democrat, which still prints weekly editions. From 1886 on, three newspapers published in Leadville into the twentieth century.



Major Leadville Events

- 1878 Rich load of silver discovered from the Little Pittsburgh Mine.
- 1878 United States passed Bland-Allison Act authorizing the purchase of silver.
- 1878 Leadville became an incorporated city and held an election.
- 1890 United States passed Sherman Silver Purchase Act.
- 1893 After the Panic of 1893, the United States repealed Sherman Silver Purchase Act.
- 1896 (Jan-Mar), Ice Palace events.
- 1896 (Fall), Miners struck against the mining companies and the strike became violent and deadly.

Jewish Advertisements (Selection)



Leadville Daily Herald, March 3, 1883