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## The Weekly News Collection

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Anacostia Community Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	The Weekly News, (Anacostia [i.e. Washington] D.C.)
<b>Identifier:</b>	ACMA.10-012.4
<b>Date:</b>	1909
<b>Extent:</b>	1.6 Linear feet (2 oversize folders)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	This collection of The Weekly News newspaper spans from August 7, 1909 to December 11, 1909, and measures 1.6 linear feet. The Washington, DC-based paper was "Devoted to the East Section of the Anacostia River," with the stated motto of "A Paper in Every Home." The Weekly reported on church news and society events, contained advertisements for neighborhood businesses, and listed places of interest, such as the Frederick Douglass Home and the Fort Stanton Civil War Fort.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Museum purchase in 2013.

### Processing Information

Processed by intern Derick Walk, July 2018 with the assistance of archivist Jennifer Morris.

Machine-readable finding aid completed by Jennifer Morris July 2018.

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

The later issues of the paper list Elias Auger as proprietor and manager, but it is not known who was the founder. The newspaper's offices were located in the Randle Highlands neighborhood of

Southeast, Washington, DC. According to the Library of Congress, The Weekly News ceased operations in approximately December 1909.

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The paper's early editions were four pages long, each comprised of three-columns of community news and a host of advertisements for local businesses. The later issues expanded in size and content, covering more Washington, DC neighborhoods, as well as national and international news.

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## **Arrangement**

The collection is arranged chronologically.

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## **Names and Subject Terms**

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Newspapers -- 20th century

Places:

Anacostia (Washington, D.C.)

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## Container Listing

Folder 1	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol. 1, No. 10, 1909 August 7</a>
Folder 1	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol. 1, No. 11, 1909 August 14</a>
Folder 1	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.12, 1909 August 21</a>
Folder 1	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1 , No.14, 1909 September 4</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.19, 1909 October 9</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1 No.23, 1909 November 6</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.24, 1909 November 13</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.25, 1909 November 20</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.26, 1909 November 27</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.27, 1909 December 4</a>
Folder 2	<a href="#">The Weekly News: Anacostia, D.C., Vol.1, No.28, 1909 December 11</a>