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Note: Newspaper titles, including the ones listed here, undergo name changes throughout the years.

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Note: There are known gaps in some titles which ProQuest will make an effort to fill.

**Coal Mining Industry:** In the 19th century, coal mining was an important industry in Des Moines. The Des Moines Coal Company was the first company to begin systematic mining in the area in 1864. However, by 1908, area coal mines were largely depleted.

**Caucus History:** The Iowa caucuses are important because they are the first major election for the U.S. presidential primary season. Unlike most states, where registered voters go to polling places to cast ballots, Iowa uses a caucus system in which voters meet to discuss and vote. Iowa has used the caucus system since the 1800s.

**1970 University of Iowa Protests:** In 1970, student protests against the Vietnam War were happening around the country. On May 6th, University of Iowa students boycotted classes and held a 400-person sleep-in at the Old Capitol building. 50 people also broke into the Old Capital Building and set off a smoke bomb.

**Janet Guthrie:** Janet Guthrie grew up in Iowa City and was a professional race car driver and the first woman to qualify and compete in both the Indianapolis 500 and the Daytona 500 in 1977.

**The Great Flood of 1993:** In 1993, the Mississippi and Missouri rivers and their tributaries flooded from April to October, affecting Midwestern states, including Iowa.

**2006 Tornado:** In 2006, a tornado directly struck Iowa City, causing severe property and home damage.

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