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When I began research on the submitted paper for my honors tutorial, PS 385 H, the Civil Rights Movement in the North, my initial focus was on the tension in Pennsylvania from 1940-1980. It was my intention to trace Pennsylvania's segregation laws and relevant litigation within the local, state, and federal courts in order to analyze the nature of the civil rights movement in the commonwealth. However, upon completing preliminary research with available library resources, I shifted focus to trace relations during the historical era ranging from 1639-1990.

My initial research was highly concentrated on primary resources including microfilm from the Scranton Times and online archives of the Philadelphia Tribune at the University of Pennsylvania. I obtained access to the first source through the library collection, and the second with the help of a University research librarian. Additionally, I utilized the library's interlibrary loan



although I had been aware of, I had not previously used. In the end, I learned that the library is highly accessible to students, more so than I originally thought.