## The Times (Philadelphia)

*The Times* was a daily newspaper published from March 13, 1875 to August 11, 1902 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.<sup>[1][2]</sup>

It was founded by <u>Alexander McClure</u> and Frank McLaughlin as an independent voice against party machine politics and corruption.<sup>[3]</sup> Despite this, by the mid-1890s it had become aligned with the city's ruling <u>Republican Party machine.<sup>[4]</sup></u> The *Times*, along with Philadelphia papers such as the <u>Public Ledger</u>, the <u>Press</u>, and the <u>Evening Telegraph</u> catered to a middle-class readership, and by 1880, it had the third largest circulation in the city, with 32,500 copies sold daily. Though the <u>Public Ledger</u> maintained its circulation lead through the end of the 19th century, the *Times* effectively competed with its older rival, and in 1900 both papers claimed a daily circulation of about 70,000 copies.<sup>[5]</sup>

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Adolph Ochs became proprietor and editor of the Times in 1901. In the

following year he purchased the Philadelphia *Public Ledger* and merged the *Times* into his new acquisition.<sup>[3]</sup>

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