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Tips for Locating Online Primary Sources

Newspapers

Chroniclingamerica.loc.gov – Search America’s historic newspapers for free from 1789-1963 on the Library of Congress site. Click on the *US Newspaper Directory* link to find state newspapers

NewspaperArchives.com and **Newspapers.com** – These sites require a subscription and are available to use for free at many local libraries

Elephind.com – Free site searches digitized newspapers from around the world and takes you the site where the article is found

Maps

www.loc.gov/maps/collections/ – a collection of digitized early maps available online at the Library of Congress

Directories

Ancestry.com and **Fold3.com** have a good selection of directories online; these are pay sites but are available for free at many local libraries

State and Federal Census Records

Familysearch.org – free site; click on US map and choose the appropriate state

Menus

Library.culinary.edu – Culinary Institute of America at Hyde Park offers an extensive online collection of menus; click on Archives & Special Collections

Collections.si.edu – Smithsonian Institution Collections Search Center; search for menus across the Smithsonian’s varied archival and library collections

Menus.nypl.org – New York Public Library is scanning and transcribing their collection of 45,000 menus dating from the 1840s; search by decade, menu or dish

Scholarsarchive.jwu.edu – Johnson & Wales University offers access to several menu collections; click on the University Libraries link for the list

Great places to start your online search

Cyndislist.com – free site, search by location or subject

Public Libraries, Academic Libraries, State Libraries and Archives – many house hidden gems in their local and state history collections