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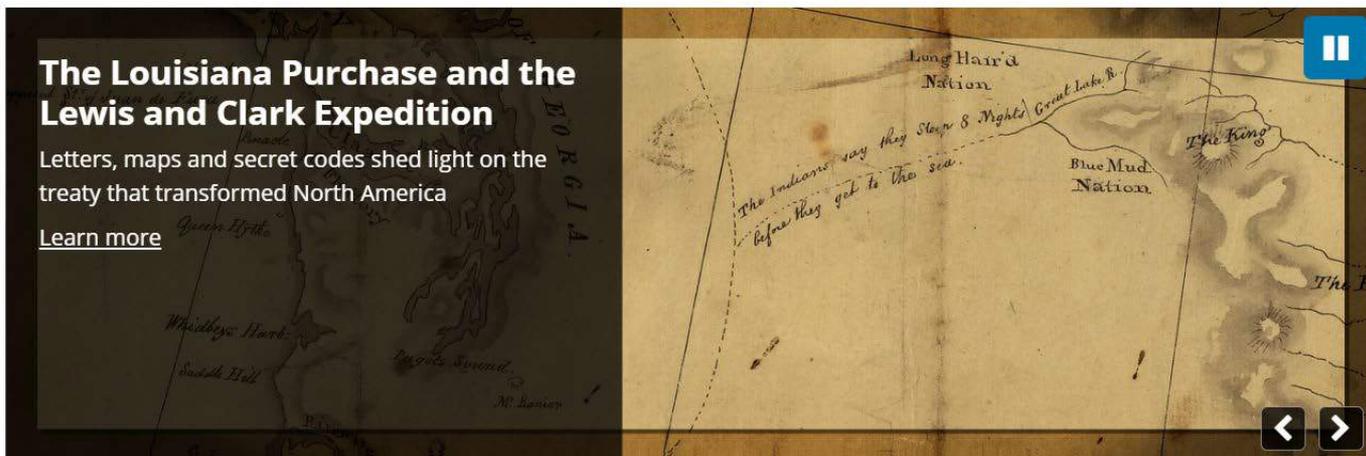
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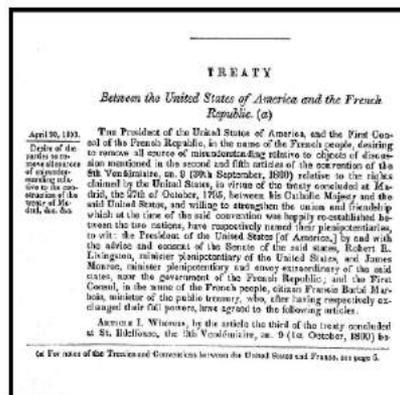
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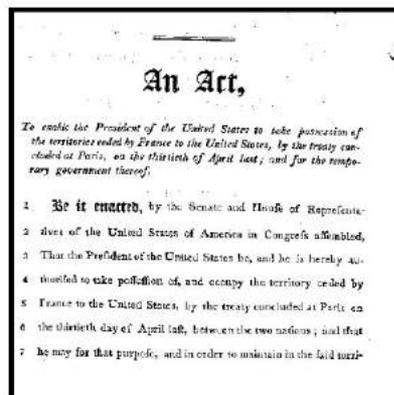
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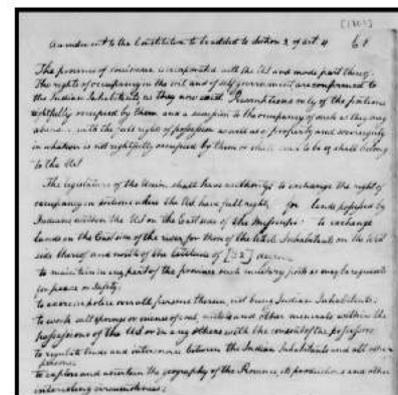
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Thomas Jefferson's draft of a constitutional amendment incorporating the Louisiana Territory into the United States, 1803



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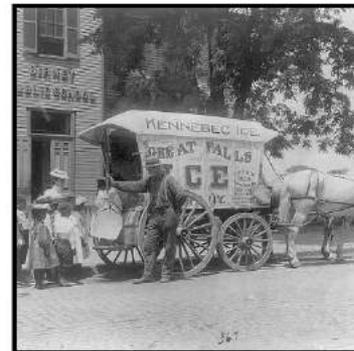
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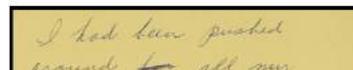
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Four leaders of the NAACP, including Thurgood Marshall



Poster for an appearance by Rosa Parks, 1956



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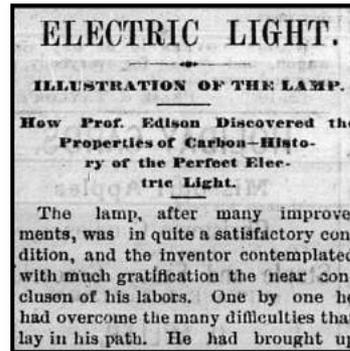
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### Abraham Lincoln's Presidency



Abraham Lincoln was elected president in 1860 and again in 1864. His first inauguration, on March 4, 1861, featured an unprecedented amount of security around the president-elect, spurred by the approaching onset of the U.S. Civil War.

Lincoln had campaigned against Stephen Douglas, mostly in a series of debates which addressed popular sovereignty and slavery. Guided by the phrase in the Declaration of Independence that "All men are created equal," Lincoln spoke against slavery. While Lincoln opposed slavery, he also was well aware of Constitutional boundaries to what actions the president could take.

The war brought the issue of emancipation to the forefront, but Lincoln postponed executive action until he felt he had clear authority. Congress passed legislation in July 1862 and after months of working with his cabinet, on January 1, 1863, Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation. The Proclamation declared "all persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion

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## LGBTQ Activism



Sign from Christopher Street Liberation Day Parade

The 20th century saw a wave of organized activism to secure civil rights and freedoms for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) people. LGBTQ individuals had long been subject to public hostility and legal prosecution, and were widely denied protection against discrimination in employment, housing, military service, and private and public services. In the years after World War II, activists across the nation formed organizations, including the Mattachine Society and the Daughters of Bilitis, to campaign for civil rights for gay men and lesbians. Early movement leaders included Frank Kameny, who spent decades fighting against the federal government's anti-LGBTQ employment policies, and Lilli Vincenz, who published newsletters and columns, picketed the White House, and made films that documented key moments in the movement.

In June 1969, police raided the Stonewall Inn, a popular gay bar in New York City's Greenwich Village. The bar's patrons, including transgender and gender non-conforming people, lesbians, and gay men, fought back, sparking several days of protests. A year later, to mark the anniversary

of the uprising, thousands of people took to the streets for the Christopher Street Liberation Day Parade, which is widely

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## The Civil Rights Movement



Civil Rights March from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, 1965

In the middle of the 20th century, a nationwide movement for equal rights for African Americans and for an end to racial segregation and exclusion arose across the United States. This movement took many forms, and its participants used a wide range of means to make their demands felt, including sit-ins, boycotts, protest marches, freedom rides, and lobbying government officials for legislative action. They faced opposition on many fronts and fell victim to bombings and beatings, arrest and assassination. By the end of the 1960s, the civil rights movement had brought about dramatic changes in the law and in public practice, and had secured legal protection of rights and freedoms for African Americans that would shape American life for decades to come.

A few key moments include:

- **Brown v. Board of Education** The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Legal Defense and Educational Fund, led by Thurgood Marshall, spent decades fighting against racial segregation in education. This long campaign culminated when the U.S. Supreme Court heard **Brown v. Board of Education**, which gathered together five separate cases related to school segregation with Marshall

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## Martin Luther King, Jr.



The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., born on January 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia, used nonviolent resistance to overcome racial injustice and end segregation laws, and became the most visible leader of the 20th century civil rights movement.

In 1955, as the young pastor of a Montgomery, Alabama church, King was elected the president of the Montgomery Improvement Association and asked to lead a bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama. The boycott began when the civil rights activist Rosa Parks refused to surrender her bus seat to a white passenger, and the protest continued via nonviolent means, including car pools and eventually legal action. The 381 day boycott ended about a year later, when the U.S. Supreme Court ordered Montgomery to integrate the bus system.

In 1957, King was elected president of the newly formed Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), which continues to advocate for nonviolent resistance to racial injustices.

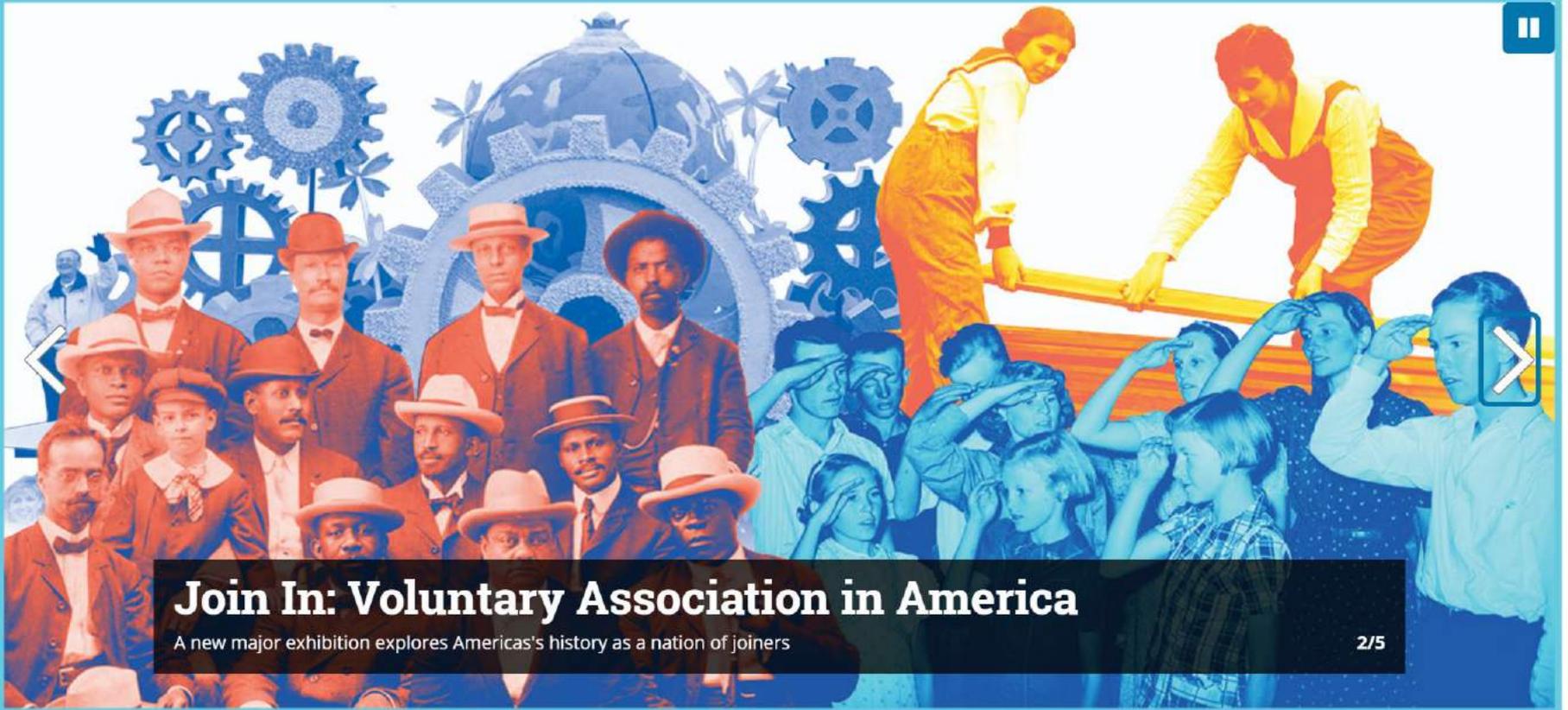
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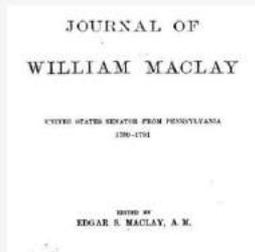
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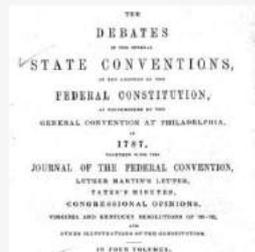
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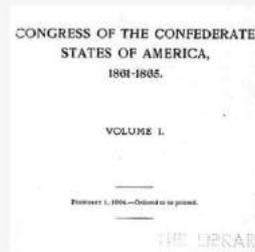
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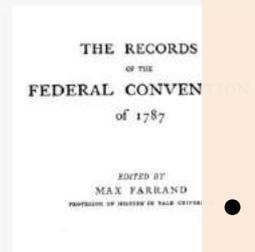
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#### Line by Line: Transcribed Correspondence

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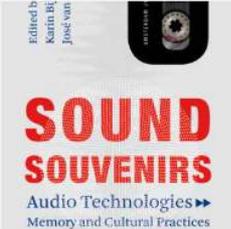
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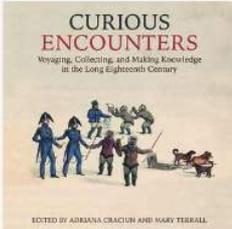
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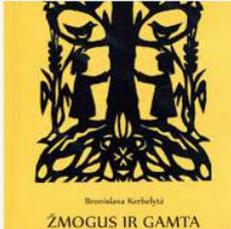
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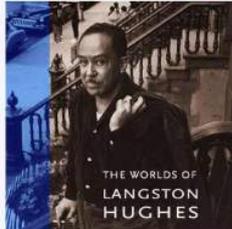
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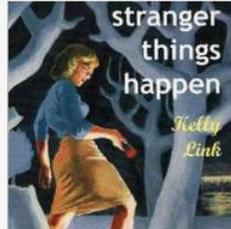
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## Lincoln Assassination: Topics in Chronicling America

On April 14, 1865, five days after the Confederate surrender, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. This guide provides access to material related to the "Lincoln Assassination" in the Chronicling America digital collection of historic newspapers.

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On April 15, 1865 President Abraham Lincoln is shot by John Wilkes Booth during a special performance at Ford's Theater. A nine-car funeral train carries the body of the President to Springfield, Illinois, where he is buried on May 4th. Although many of the co-conspirators in this large are captured, John Wilkes Booth is shot after being traiced to a farm in Bowling Green, VA on April 24th. The other co-conspirators in the assassination plots on President Lincoln, Secretary Seward, and Vice President Johnson are later tried and convicted by an army military commission. [Read more about it!](#)

The information in this guide focuses on primary source materials found in the digitized historic newspapers from the digital collection Chronicling America.

The timeline below highlights important dates related to this topic and a section of this guide provides some suggested search strategies for further research in the collection.



The horse-drawn hearse carrying the body of Abraham Lincoln was seen through the streets of Chicago before being taken to Springfield. There is a horse-drawn hearse, drawn by John Booth's horses and followed by "old men," and historical horse-drawn hearse, seen from behind (Edison collection). (Photo by: Shutter)

The horse-drawn hearse carrying the body of Abraham Lincoln was seen through Chicago (Left). Last photograph of Abraham Lincoln before his assassination (Right), April 12, 1940. Citizen (Key West, FL). Image 4. Chronicling America Newspapers.

### Timeline

<b>April 14, 1865</b>	Abraham Lincoln is shot by John Wilkes Booth at Ford's Theater in Washington DC while attending performance of the comedy, "Our American Cousin". Secretary of State William Henry Seward is shot by Paine at the same time at his home near the White House.
<b>April 21, 1865</b>	Lincoln's body departs Washington in a nine-car funeral train. The 1,700-mile trip back to Illinois will be over the same tracks that carried the then President-elect east in 1861. Cities along the route of the processions include Philadelphia, New York City, Buffalo, Cleveland, and Chicago.
<b>April 26, 1865</b>	John Wilkes Booth and accomplice David Herold are caught by the military at a farm near Bowling Green. Although Herold surrenders, Booth is shot and killed.
<b>May 4, 1865</b>	Abraham Lincoln is laid to rest in a tomb at Springfield's Oak Ridge Cemetery.
<b>May 10, 1865</b>	An army military commission is convened to try Mrs. Mary Surratt, David Herold, Lewis Paine, George Edman Spangler, Michael O'Laughlin, Samuel Arnold, and Dr. Samuel Mudd for their parts in the assassination of President Lincoln. Surratt, Herold, Paine, and Atzerodt will eventually be given the death sentence while the remaining defendants are sentenced to imprisonment.
<b>July 7, 1865</b>	Four co-conspirators, Lewis Paine, George Atzerodt, David Herold, and Mary Surratt, were executed at the Old Penitentiary, on the site of present-day Fort McNair, for their part in the assassination of President Lincoln.

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