Welcome!

Please introduce yourself in the chat. Tell us

- Your name
- Where you are from
- What you teach
What could the dots on this map represent?
Overview:

1. What is included in the Chronicling America database?
2. What innovative tools exist for searching this collection?
3. How can these innovative tools be used to inspire and answer questions in the classroom?
Chronicling America

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Search America’s historic newspaper pages from 1777-1995 or use the U.S. Newspaper Directory to find information about American newspapers published between 1690-present. Chronicling America is sponsored jointly by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Library of Congress. Learn more.

Search Pages  Advanced Search  All Digitized Newspapers 1770-1963

US Newspaper Directory, 1690-Present

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More Resources

National Digital Newspaper Program  NPDP Award Recipients  Newspaper and Current Periodicals Reading Room  Ask LC Newspaper & Current Periodicals Librarian

Historic Newspapers on Flickr® (part of the LC Flickr Commons photostream)  Newspaper Navigator (Search historic newspaper photos)

100 Years Ago Today, 3/20/1923 (19 issues)


The Cordova Daily Times, [volume] 1 (9th ed.)  Cordova, Alaska
The Good We Get From Oats

Nature gives oats—more digestible protein—more organic phosphorus—more lecithin—than to any other grain that grows.

Protein is the body-builder, an energy-giving food. You know the vitality which oats give horses. They give the same to man. You know the Scotchmen's racial fame for strength.

Phosphorus is the brain's main constituent—the food for thought. Lecithin is the chief component of the nervous system.

In Quaker Oats—at one-half cent per dish—one gets this wealth of our chiefest foods in a perfectly-balanced form. Just the richest grains.

These are some of the reasons why nation...
Select State(s):
- All States
- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut

Or Select Newspaper(s):
- The evening post. (Washington, D.C.)
- Evening public ledger. (Philadelphia, Pa.)
- The evening Republican. (Wilmington, Del.)
- The evening standard. (Ogden City, Utah)
- The evening star and Newark advertiser. (Newark, N.J.)
- Evening star. (Washington, D.C.)
- The Evening statesman. (Walla Walla, Wash.)
- The evening telegram. (Camden, N.J.)

Select Year(s):
Newspaper pages are available for newspapers published between 1770-1963.
- from 1950 to 1963

Or Date Range
- from [ ] to [ ]

Limit Search:
- only front page or Specific page [ ]

Language:
- All

Enter Search:
- with any of the words: [ ]
- with all of the words: [ ]
- with the phrase: [ ]
- with the words: [ ] within [ ] words of each other
Would you purchase Quaker Oats? Why or why not?

Record your thoughts in the chat.
Does this advertisement change your opinion? Why or why not?

Record your thoughts in the chat.
What do you notice about these 2 advertisements?
What questions do you have?
Possible Questions:

- Has the scientific content changed over time?
- Is the scientific content accurate?
- Has our understanding of nutrition changed over time?
- Did the political or social climate of the time affect the advertisements?
- Were these advertisements viewed by people across the country? Why or why not?
- Why was this “mascot” chosen for Quaker Oats?
Could data visualizations help?
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Innovative ways to explore historic collections

• **LC Labs** ([labs.loc.gov](http://labs.loc.gov))
  • Innovators in Residence
  • Digital Scholarship

Priorities:
• Reduce barriers to innovation
• Explore emerging approaches
• Gather wide ranging expertise
Searching Images with Newspaper Navigator:

Search 1.56 million historic newspaper photos using Newspaper Navigator!

Location: [All]  
Start Year: 1800  
End Year: 1965  
Keyword: [Search by keyword here!]

Not sure what to search for? Here are some suggestions: electricity, skyscraper, comet

Newspaper Navigator Demo Video

Benjamin Charles Germain Lee  
2020 Innovator in Residence

Newspaper Navigator is a project by Benjamin Charles Germain Lee as part of the 2020 Innovator in Residence Program at the Library of Congress.
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Innovative questions teachers have considered with their students:

• How has the information surrounding a historical event changed over several days?
• How have events, individuals or groups been viewed through different perspectives?
• What was everyday life like during the time of a certain historic event?
• What biases exist in the coverage of an event?
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Searching African American Newspapers in Chronicling America

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Searching Native American Newspapers in Chronicling America

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Questions?
Available Resources to Understand how Newspaper Navigator was Created

- Recorded Webinar with Benjamin Charles Germain Lee
- Newspaper Navigator Dataset
- Newspaper Navigator GitHub