

LESSER KNOWN GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES: GREAT NEW POTENTIAL

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PRESENTATION PURPOSE AND GOAL

Introduce Alternative Resources
Strictly an Overview

STANDARD GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

Resources most commonly used

ALTERNATIVE RECORDS

Beyond the basics
Lesser known, least used

IDENTITY RECORDS

Social Security
Passports
Military ID
Drivers License

VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter Registers or Great Registers

LICENSES, BRANDS AND REGISTRATIONS

Licenses
Marks and Brands
Registrations
Patents

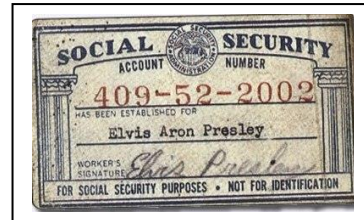
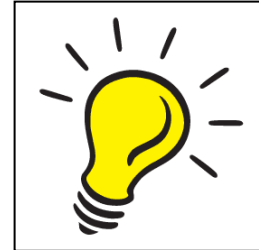
CITY DIRECTORIES

WPA

Interviews
Surveys
Guides

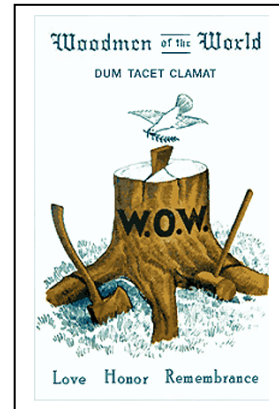
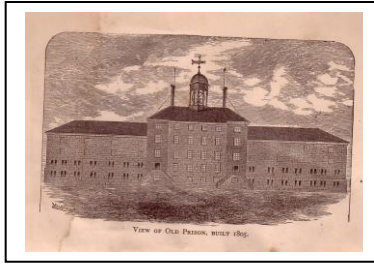
BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL RECORDS

Indenture and apprentice
Account books
Insurance records
Credit reports
Employee records
Doctor business records
Community general store



INSTITUTIONAL RECORDS

School
Orphanage
Hospital
Prison
Coroners records
Mortuary



FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

HISTORIC MAPS

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

PHOTOS AND HEIRLOOMS

MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

Draper Manuscript Collection
National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections -- <http://www.loc.gov/coll/nucmc>
WorldCat -- <http://www.worldcat.org>

THESES & DISSERTATIONS

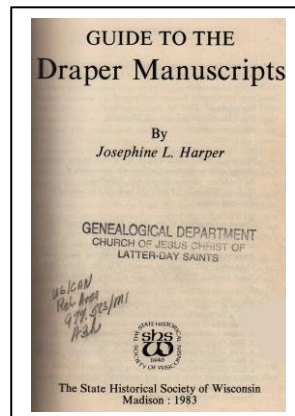
Proquest & UMI
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UNIQUE POPULATION RECORDS

Native American
African-American
Urban / City Records



QUESTIONS



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United States National Archives -- <http://www.archives.gov> The home page for the National Archives and Records Administration of the United States Government. Click on the link to the pages for Genealogists/Family Historians. Provides a wealth of information for Genealogists on types of records, availability, databases, lessons, links, etc.

Rootsweb -- <http://www.rootsweb.com> is another fantastic web site which not only offers general genealogy information, research tips, etc., but also has some databases to search and links to many other specific subject web sites. There are several databases including the downloaded genealogy databases; plus links to mailing lists and message boards and how to connect or access archives of previous postings; also links to many genealogy websites that are hosted for free by Rootsweb.

USGenWeb -- <http://www.usgenweb.com> is a site of links to information and networking, organized by the states and counties in the United States. This is where you can find information as to what records are available by state or county, who to contact, what organizations exist, history and sometimes records for states, counties and possibly cities.

Cyndi's List -- <http://www.cyndislist.com> A website that attempts to organize and categorize all genealogy websites by subject, etc. So for example, when you go to her main page scroll down to "Software & Computers" and click to pull up a list of links on genealogy software and other computer related web sites of primary interest to genealogists. Here you can also find extensive links to Italian or Irish genealogy web sites, or learn about Adoption services and records, etc.