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## Introducing the Donated Collection Explorer

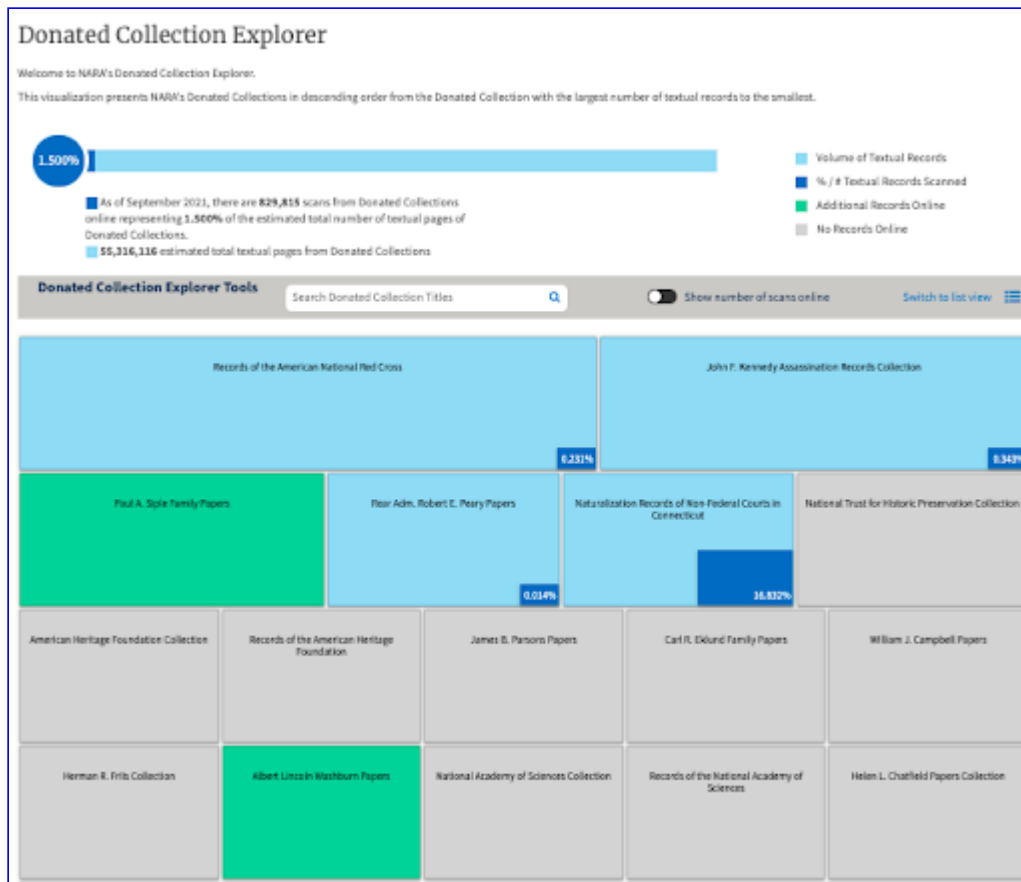
The National Archives safeguards billions of documents and materials created in the course of business conducted by the U.S. government. In addition to these Federal records, the National Archives holds [collections of donated historical materials](#), many of which pertain to and illustrate historical activities of the United States, or document a significant program or activity of the U.S. government.



*Robert Peary in Furs with Dogs, 1909. [National Archives Identifier 12013129](#). From the [Rear Adm. Robert E. Peary Papers Collection](#).*

To help you navigate the universe of records held at the National Archives, we are excited to introduce the third in a series of online finding aid tools: the [Donated](#)

## Collection Explorer!



This next-generation finding aid includes 826 Collections and provides access to over 829,000 digital pages available in the National Archives Catalog. Within the Donated Collection Explorer, you will find donated materials that document significant programs or activities of the U.S. government, materials with historical or intrinsic value, donations from notable military figures, records from polar exploration, wars, and more.

STATEMENT DICTATED BY GENERAL GEORGE S. PATTON, JR.  
regarding document taken in Nuremberg

When the Third Army entered the city of Nuremberg there was quite a fight going on and the city was burning. Some troops of the 90th Infantry Division fighting through the town came to a stairway which they went down with grenades, in case there were any Germans. There were no Germans. They found a vault, not open, and persuaded a German to open it for them. In it they found this thing. That was all that was in the vault.

These soldiers of the 90th Division were very fond of me and I was very fond of them. They thought they would like to do something for me, so they sent for me, and we had a great public presentation. The former commanding general of the 90th Division, now commander of the Third Corps, General Van Fleet, - he actually made the presentation to me. So it is my property. They have given me a lot of other things but this is the important one. This [document] was taken the day we captured Nuremberg, about the 14th of March. We captured so many towns I have forgotten just which day. The presentation must have been about the 27th of May.

*all  
taken  
vault*

Regarding Mein Kampf

That book was alleged by a talkative German to be one of a limited edition of the unexpurgated text. There were alleged to have been one hundred copies. It was published by a man named Emman. He is the No. 3 bad man in Germany. I have him in jail now. We'll stretch him pretty quick!

Huntington Library  
San Marino, Calif.  
June 11, 1945  
PH & EP

Statement Dictated by General George S. Patton, Jr., 6/11/1945, [National Archives Identifier 128215416](#). From the [George S. Patton, Jr. Papers Collection](#).

As with our other next-generation finding aids, this data visualization allows you to browse NARA's holdings by donated collection. Click on any collection name to see an overview of the scans available online, and find links to records in the Catalog, organized by format.

Each Donated Collection page has a progress bar that provides an estimate of the percentage of textual pages that are currently available online.

## Harmon Foundation Collection



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**Our work isn't finished yet. We have more digitizing to do.**

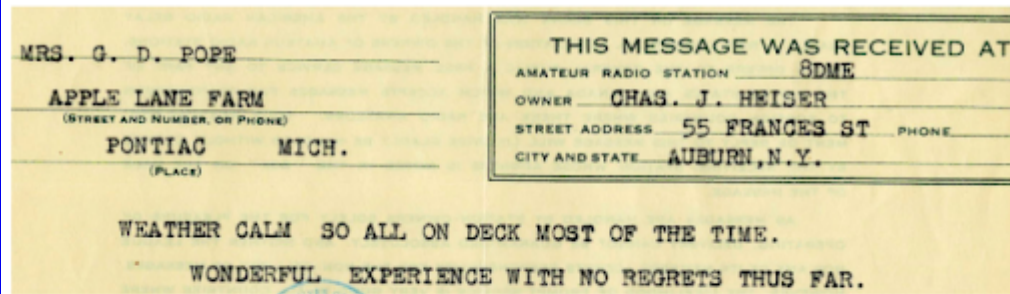
In the meantime, explore descriptions of our records. These records, though not yet digitized, are available at National Archives locations.

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## John A. Pope Papers

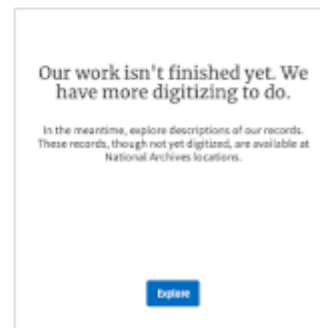
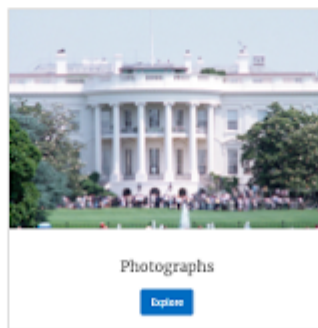


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Give our [Donated Collection Explorer](#) a try! We'd love to hear your input on how this might be beneficial to you in your research, and your ideas about how we could further refine our



data visualizations for future projects. Also, the data powering our Explorers will be updated regularly, so check back to see what we have added and what changes have been made.



*Antarctica Oil #682 Bellinghausen/ King George Island/ South Shetland Islands, ca. 1969. [National Archives Identifier 5634739](#). From the [Lee W. Court Paintings Collection](#)*

Interested in our other next-generation finding aids? Check out these tools to help you with your research online:

- [Record Group Explorer](#): includes all of NARA's Record Groups (over 600) and provides access to over 140 million of our digital pages.
- [Presidential Library Explorer](#) includes 14 Presidential Libraries and provides access to over 1.6 million digital pages.



Vigée-Lebrun: "Bildnis der Koenigin Marie-Antoinette." [National Archives Identifier 12015367](#). From the [Monuments Men Foundation for the Preservation Art Collection](#)

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## Transcribe Records as a Citizen Archivist

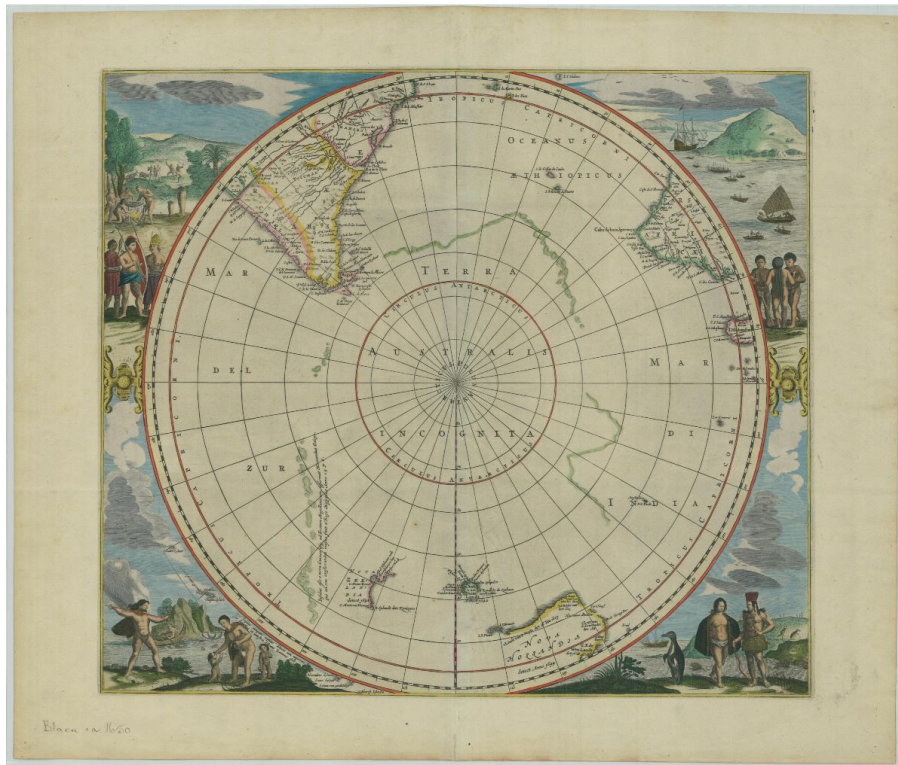
### **Donated Collection Explorer mission**

Join us in celebrating the launch of the Donated Collection Explorer by transcribing a variety of records that can be viewed in the Explorer.

[Get started transcribing!](#)

New to the Citizen Archivist program? Learn how to [register and get started](#).

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Illustrated Map of Antarctic Region, ca. 1650. [National Archives Identifier 70187163](#). From the [Albert Lincoln Washburn Papers Collection](#)

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### **COVID-19 Update**

The National Archives is committed to the health and safety of our visitors and staff. We are closely monitoring the situation regarding COVID-19, and we are working with public health officials and our counterpart agencies to monitor and respond to the evolving conditions and following CDC guidelines.

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