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Yes, you read that headline right... [THE Library of Congress](#) (with a little help from [Flickr](#) that is). The partnership, called [The Commons](#), began in June 2007 according to the project page, providing an opportunity for us, the public, to join in on the continuing conversation of history. It is a pilot program, one that will hopefully encourage other cultural institutions to share some of their archives with the world of web users.

Whether it's a photograph from Birmingham, AL or Birmingham, MI, our help on this project is unmeasurable, so take a moment and browse through a few of these glimpses into our country's past. It will do a great deal to help its future.