



Guide to the Nevada Statehood Commemorative U.S. Postage Stamps and Coin

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Wilson, Thomas Cave, 1907-1984
Title:	Nevada Statehood Commemorative U.S. Postage Stamps and Coin
ID:	MS-00409
Date:	1964
Physical Description:	0.10 Cubic Feet (1 folder (1 shared box))
Physical Description:	0.10 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Nevada Statehood Commemorative U.S. Postage Stamps and Coin collection contains one sheet of the 1964 Nevada Statehood Centennial Stamp, printed from plate number 27798, and one proof copy of the 1964 Nevada Centennial Medallion.

Preferred Citation

Nevada Statehood Commemorative U.S. Postage Stamps and Coin, 1964. MS-00409. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Thomas Cave Wilson (1907-1984) was born in Phoenix, Arizona and grew up in Reno, Nevada, graduating from the University of Nevada in 1930. He pursued a journalism career in California before returning to Reno to establish the city's first advertising agency in 1939. Wilson also co-founded the first Nevada Day Celebration and parade in 1938, served as a Trustee of the Nevada State Museum, and served as chairman of the Nevada Centennial Commission from 1962 to 1964.

In the 1940s, Wilson developed the Pioneer Nevada historical series sponsored by Harold's Club, and convinced Harold's Club owner Raymond I. "Pappy" Smith to create the Harold's Club Scholarship Program, putting dozens of Nevada students, including historian James Hulse, through the University of Nevada in Reno, Nevada. Besides Wilson's active community involvement, he was an avid outdoorsman and amateur historian with an interest in the many

westward trails in Nevada. As an advisor to the U.S. Board on Geographical Names, he named over fifty mountains, canyons, and valleys in Nevada.

Source:

"In Memoriam: Thomas C. Wilson." *Nevada Historical Society Quarterly*, Volume XXIX, Fall 1985, Issue 3. Pg. 157.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1972 by Thomas C. Wilson; accession number 1972-104.

Processing Note

In 2019, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Melise Leech wrote the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

Nevada State Centennial Postage Stamp Collection, 1959. MS-00116. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Postage stamps
- Nevada -- centennial celebrations
- Commemorative coins