

# Guide to the J.W. (John) Campbell oral history interview

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## **Summary Information**

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Creator:	Campbell, J.W. (Jesse W.), 1918-
<b>Contributor:</b>	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
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Abstract:	Oral history interview with J.W. (John) Campbell (born June 13, 1918 in Pioche, Nevada) conducted by Raymond Haft on February 19, 1979 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. This interview covers the history of Nevada, including Mr. Campbell's personal history. He discusses the Stewart Ranch, the Mormon Fort, swimming pools in Las Vegas, Nevada, and the above ground atomic tests. He also discusses the crash of Carole Lombard's plane and the building of the Basic Magnesium Plant in Henderson, Nevada.

## **Preferred Citation Note**

J.W. (John) Campbell oral history interview, 1979 February 19. OH-00327. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## **Administrative Information**

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University of Nevada, Las Vegas History Professor Ralph Roske donated materials for this oral history project to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in the 1980s.

### **Processing Note**

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## **Names and Subjects**

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Atomic bomb -- Testing
- Indians of North America

- Las Vegas Mormon Fort (Nev.)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Las Vegas Air Force Base (Nev.)
- Pittman, Key, 1872-1940
- McCarran, Pat, 1876-1954
- Lombard, Carole, 1908-1942
- Basic Magnesium, Inc.