

Guide to the Richard D. Chase oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Richard D. Chase conducted by Helen Rondthaler on October 17, 1972 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Chase discusses the history of Las Vegas, Nevada from 1945, touching on topics such as the housing shortage during the 1940s, The Red Rooster swingers' club, Billy Moore, Sam Larson, Ira Goldring, atomic bomb testing, and the Nevada environment. Chase discusses the importance of construction-based labor to the development of Southern Nevada. Chase also explains at length the impact of the Nevada Test Site on his construction company.

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents Note

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development of Southern Nevada. Chase also explains at length the impact of the Nevada Test Site on his construction company. Digital audio and transcript available.

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
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