



Guide to the Jack Cherry oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Cherry, Jack, 1897-
Contributor:	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
Title:	Jack Cherry oral history interview
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Physical Description:	3 Digital Files (0.072 GB) MP3, PDF/A
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Jack Cherry conducted by Cheryl Mawhinney on March 20, 1978 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Jack Cherry, M.D. (b. 1897 in Little Rock, Arkansas) discusses about his experiences as a practicing physician in Southern Nevada. Dr. Cherry first discusses the steps he took to initiate the building of what would become the Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital, where he would later become the hospital administrator. The interview concludes with Cherry's opinion on the modern practice of medicine.

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents Note

Oral history interview with Jack Cherry conducted by Cheryl Mawhinney on March 20, 1978 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Jack Cherry, M.D. (b. 1897 in Little Rock, Arkansas) discusses about his experiences as a practicing physician in Southern Nevada. Dr. Cherry first discusses the steps he took to initiate the building of what would become the Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital, where he would later become the hospital administrator. Cherry also discusses some of the roles he held in Las Vegas, Nevada, and he describes his additional

experiences in practicing medicine in the smaller Nevada towns of Goldfield and Tonopah. The interview transitions to a brief discussion of gambling and Cherry's account of treating Bugsy Siegel and his girlfriend at one time. The interview concludes with Cherry's opinion on the modern practice of medicine. Digital audio and transcript available.

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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

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Miguel Dominguez wrote the collection description. This interview was transcribed and edited by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives as part of an ongoing effort to transcribe legacy interviews. This interview transcript received minimal editing and all measures have been taken to preserve the style and language of the narrator. The interviewee/narrator was not involved in the editing process. A digital version (PDF) of the transcript is available for research use. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by an external vendor into a digital format. MP3 files of the audio are available for research use.

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