



Guide to the Norman Christiansen oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Title:	Norman Christiansen oral history interview
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Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Norman Christiansen conducted by James Courtney on November 28, 1986 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Christiansen describes his family, and background before moving to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1956 from Montana. Christiansen then talks about working at the Nevada Test Site and about his career as a teacher. He speaks about the various changes he has noticed over the years in Las Vegas, including those in climate, pollution, economy, occupation, and standard of living.

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Scope and Contents Note

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involvement, his hobbies, and the advantages and disadvantages of living in Las Vegas. Digital audio and transcript available.

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- Atomic bomb -- Testing

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- Teachers – Nevada -- Biography
- Las Vegas (Nev.)