



Guide to the Ralph Denton oral history interviews

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interviews with Ralph Denton conducted by Donalene V. Ravitch on February 24, 1980 and March 16, 1980 for the UNLV University Libraries Oral History Collection. In these interviews, Denton recalls growing up in Caliente, Nevada. He talks about aspects and events in the community both during his life and before his birth, including the school system, housing, mining, the importance of the railroad, the stagecoach, the advent of legal gambling, farming, and the periodic flooding. He also discusses Caliente's population and the increase in ethnic minorities and Mormons in the area, the importance of politics, Franklin Delano Roosevelt's whistlestop visit to the town, and the economy during the depression.

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Acquisition Note

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Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2015. Melise Leech wrote the collection description. 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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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Caliente (Nev.)
- Education and state -- Nevada
- Railroads – Nevada -- History
- Mining districts -- Nevada
- Mormon Church