

Guide to the Ruth Fyfe, K. Oscar Knudson, and Fern Olive oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Creator: Olive, Fern S., 1895-1992

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Abstract: Oral history interview with Ruth Fyfe, K. Oscar Knudson, and

Fern Olive oral conducted by Susan Kendall on March 22, 1977 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. The three interviewees discuss their early experiences teaching in Las Vegas, Nevada elementary schools beginning between 1924 and 1926. Topics the interviewees discuss include interstate school sports events, physical education for girls, sports for girls, teacher shortages, and school overcrowding. They also discuss illegal gambling in Las Vegas, Nevada prior to 1931, as well as Fremont Street casino and bar development in relation to the Las Vegas Grammar School (currently known as the Historic Fifth Street School) and the Las Vegas High School (currently known as Las Vegas Academy of the Arts) after Nevada legalized gambling.

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Education Nevada Clark County
- Male teachers
- Women teachers
- · Elementary schools
- Elementary school teachers
- Las Vegas High School
- Historic Fifth Street School