



Guide to the Woodrow Wilson oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Wilson, Woodrow, 1915-1999
Contributor:	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
Title:	Woodrow Wilson oral history interview
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Date:	1977 November 01
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Physical Description:	0.01 Cubic Feet (1 folder)
Physical Description:	0.1 Linear Feet
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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Woodrow Wilson conducted by Perry Kaufman on November 01, 1977 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Wilson discusses work at the McNary sawmill in Arizona, and later arriving in Las Vegas, Nevada to work at the Basic Magnesium Plant, located in Henderson, Nevada. Wilson also talks about discrimination between maids in motels and hotels, along with moments of segregation at the Basic Magnesium Plant. He then explains how he organized and became a board member of The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in Las Vegas.

Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Note

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

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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Henderson (Nev.)
- Discrimination
- Segregation -- Nevada
- African Americans -- Civil rights
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Las Vegas Branch (Las Vegas, Nev.).
- Basic Magnesium, Inc.