

Guide to the Leva Beckley oral history interviews

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interviews with Leva Beckley conducted by Bernard Timberg of KLVX Channel 10 on January 20 and 31, 1974. In this interview, Buckley talks of moving to Las Vegas, Nevada with her husband in 1910, setting up her husband's clothing business at the Hotel Nevada, the construction of the family home at 120 South Fourth Street, and the birth of her two children. She discusses raising her children, the various amusements the community offered to young families, and her activities as a charter member of the Mesquite Club. She also responds to questions about changes in the culture of the city, particularly in regard to crime and illegal activities. Finally, she shares family photographs with the interviewer.

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Scope and Contents Note

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This interview was donated to UNLV University Libraries Special Collections and Archives Division by Bernard Timberg on behalf of the Las Vegas, Nevada Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) in 1975.

Processing Note

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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Business enterprises -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Crime
- Mesquite Club (Las Vegas, Nev.)

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