



Guide to the Hope Anstett oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents Note

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Names and Subjects

- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- History
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Education
- Rhythmettes (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Helldorado Days
- Anstett, Joseph (Joseph Leonard), 1933-2008

Physical Characteristics Note

Ambient noise and low voice volume throughout.

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