

Guide to the James Cashman Sr. Photograph Collection

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Summary Information

Repository :	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Cashman, James, Sr., 1884-1962
Title:	James Cashman Sr. Photograph Collection
ID:	PH-00013
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1905 to 1975
Physical Description:	2.36 Cubic Feet (7 hanging files, 1 oversized box, 1 flat file, 1 shared photo binder, and 1 shared box of negatives)
Physical Description:	3.52 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The James Cashman Sr. Photograph Collection (approximately 1905 to 1975) consists of black-and-white photographic prints, negatives, slides, and albums as well as a glass plate negative. The photographs depict four major subjects: Cashman's family, friends, and associates; Cashman's businesses; the Hoover Dam and Colorado River; and various locations across Nevada.

Preferred Citation

James Cashman Sr. Photograph Collection, approximately 1905-1975. PH-00013. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

James "Big Jim" Cashman was born in Ladue, Missouri on December 16, 1884 to Benjamin Franklin Cashman and Ella Mary Stovall. Cashman moved to Searchlight, Nevada in 1904. By 1910 Cashman opened an automobile garage in Searchlight, and eventually expanded into selling automobiles. Cashman moved from Searchlight to Las Vegas, Nevada once the mining boom in Searchlight ended around 1920, and opened a garage next the Overland Hotel on Fremont Street in Las Vegas. Cashman married Leah Barker in 1923 and together had two children: Tona in 1924, and James Jr. in 1926. The voters of Clark County, Nevada elected Cashman as county commissioner from 1920 to 1928. During this time, he operated a ferry service across the Colorado River, until the beginning of the Hoover Dam project, which he advocated. In 1931 Cashman sold six Caterpillar Inc. diesel tractors to Six Companies Inc., which established him as a partner on the project. Upon completion of the Hoover Dam, Cashman operated scenic tours of Lake Mead and continued operating an automobile dealership until his retirement in 1955, when he passed control of his companies to his children.

Cashman remained active in organizations in Las Vegas such as the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Las Vegas Rotary Club until his death, on December 30, 1962 due to a heart condition. Clark County named James Cashman Middle School in honor of James Cashman Sr. and his family's contributions to the development of the city. The family was inducted into the University of Nevada, Las Vegas' (UNLV) Nevada Business Hall of Fame in 2007.

Sources:

"Big Jim Cashman." Cashman Equipment. Accessed December 31, 2019. https:// www.cashmanequipment.com/about/cashman-history/big-jim

"Commissioner James Cashman." Clark County Nevada. Accessed December 31, 2019. http:// www.clarkcountynv.gov/parks/Documents/centennial/commissioners/commissioner-jcashman.pdf

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Genealogy files about "James Cashman." Accessed December 31, 2019. Accessed from Ancestry.com and FindaGrave.com.

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Scope and Contents Note

The James Cashman Sr. Photograph Collection (approximately 1905 to 1975) consists of blackand-white photographic prints, negatives, slides, and albums as well as a glass plate negative. The photographs depict four major subjects: Cashman's family, friends, and associates; Cashman's businesses; the Hoover Dam and Colorado River; and various locations across Nevada. Notable images depict Cashman's businesses in Searchlight and Las Vegas, Nevada, Cashman with multiple prominent Las Vegas residents, and the Cashman family in the first half of the twentieth century. The collection also depicts the Cashman Colorado River ferry service, the Hoover Dam project, Cashman Field and the Cashman baseball team in Las Vegas, and street scenes of Searchlight and Las Vegas in the early 1900s. ^ Return to Table of Contents

Arrangement

Materials are arranged by topic.

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Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1983 by Tona Cashman Seifert and James Cashman Jr.; accession numbers 1983-059 and T-041.

Processing Note

In 2019, as part of a backlog elimination project, Ryan DiPaolo arranged and described the materials, wrote the finding aid, and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

James Cashman Sr. Papers, approximately 1890-1969. MS-00144. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Tona Siefert oral history interview, 1977 February 25. OH-01698. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Helldorado Parade (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- photographs
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Repair shops
- Automobile dealers
- Searchlight (Nev.)
- Elks (Fraternal order)
- Rotary Club (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Collection Inventory

/Description	Containers
hman's family, friends, and associates	
Celebration in Nevada, Harley A. Harmon pictured: photographic print and negative, approximately 1930 to 1939 (0013_0005)	folder 01
	box SH-015
William Pike seated on an airplane wing: photographic print and negative, approximately 1930 to 1939 (0013_0013)	folder 01
	box SH-015
Ernie Cragin, Governor Vail Pittman of Nevada, James Cashman Sr., Cliff Jones, and Harry "Hap" Hazard, Robert "Bob" Jones (identified from left to right): photographic print and negative, 1947 (0013_0014)	folder 01
	box SH-015
Governor Vail Pittman of Nevada and James Cashman Sr. (identified from left to right): photographic print and negative, 1947 (0013_0015)	folder 01

	box SH-015
James Cashman Sr., Governor Vail Pittman of Nevada, and Cliff Jones	folder
(identified from left to right): photographic print, 1947 (0013_0016)	01
	box SH-015
Cashman family seated on the "Desert Love Buggy" vehicle in front of	folder
the Cashman automobile dealership: photographic print and negative,	01
approximately 1940 to 1949 (0013_0017)	box SH-015
George Burns, Gracie Allen, and James Cashman Sr. (identified from left	folder
to right): photographic print and negative, approximately 1940 to 1949	01
(0013_0018)	box SH-015
Helldorado Parade pageant, Delphine Squires pictured: photographic	folder
print, 1948 (0013_0021)	01
Helldorado committee, James Cashman Sr. pictured: photographic print	folder
and negative, 1948 (0013_0022)	01
	box SH-015
Las Vegas, Nevada group attending the Calgary, Alberta, Canada rodeo:	folder
photographic print and negative, approximately 1950 to 1959 (0013_0023)	01
Las Vegas, Nevada group attending the Calgary, Alberta, Canada rodeo:	folder
photographic print and negative, approximately 1950 to 1959 (0013_0024)	01
Event organizers for the dedication of the original Cashman Field in Las	folder
Vegas, Nevada: photographic print and negative, 1948 (0013_0025)	01
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	box SH-015
Las Vegas, Nevada Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks members:	folder
photographic print and negative, approximately 1940 to 1949 (0013_0032)	01
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Las Vegas, Nevada Rotary Club charter members: photographic print,	folder
1941 (0013_0033)	01
Las Vegas, Nevada Rotary Club members, courtesy of V.J. Hunter and Union Pacific Railroad: photographic print and negative, approximately 1940 to 1949 (0013_0034)	folder 01

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Las Vegas, Nevada Rotary Club members: photographic print, 1941 (0013_0035)	folder 01
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James Cashman Sr. standing alongside a donkey with a picketing sign: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1955 (0013_0043)	folder 01
Supporters of the Nevada Citizens Committee, Right to Work Law, James Cashman Sr. pictured: photographic print and negative, approximately 1955 to 1962 (0013_0057)	folder 01
1353 (0 1302 (0013_0037)	box SH-015
James Cashman Sr., courtesy of Shell Oil Co., Press Bureau: photographic print and negative, approximately 1945 to 1955 (0013_0058)	folder 01
	box SH-015
James Cashman Sr. and Harlow Curtice, President of General Motors Corporation: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1959 (0013_0059)	folder 01
Leonard V. Firestone and James Cashman Sr. (identified from left to right): photographic print, 1949 (0013_0060)	folder 01
Leonard V. Firestone, Charles Traweek, James Cashman Sr. (identified from left to right): photographic print, 1949 (0013_0061)	folder 02
Group of men outside of a used cars dealership: photographic print and negative, approximately 1940 to 1949 (0013_0062)	folder 02
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James Cashman Sr. at the General Motors Dealer Conference: photographic print, 1955 (0013_0063)	folder 02
James Cashman Sr. at the General Motors Dealer Conference: photographic print, 1955 (0013_0064)	folder 02
James Cashman Sr. at the General Motors Dealer Conference: photographic print, 1955 (0013_0065)	folder 02
James Cashman Sr. at the General Motors Dealer Conference: photographic print, 1955 (0013_0066)	folder 02
James Cashman Sr. and James Cashman Jr. outside of the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada: photographic print and negative,	folder 02
approximately 1950 to 1959 (0013_0067)	box SH-015
James Cashman Sr. with a group of men: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1959 (0013_0068)	folder 02

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"Memories of the Kingston Canyon Hunt": photograph album, 1937 (0013_0142)	folder 03
"Memories of the Kingston Canyon Hunt": photograph album, 1941 (0013_0143)	folder 03
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Cashmans car dealership at grand opening: photographic print and negative, 1951 (0013_0041)	folder 04
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Monkey on a picketing sign that reads "All this picketing looks like monkey business to me!!" outside of the Cashman car dealership: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1955 (0013_0042)	folder 04
Monkey on a picketing sign that reads "All this picketing looks like monkey business to me!!" outside of the Cashman car dealership: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1955 (0013_0044)	folder 04

Man in costume with a sign that reads "I was here before Stalin and I intend to stay, God Bless America" outside of the Cashman car dealership: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1955 (0013_0045)	folder 04
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Protestors outside of the Cashman car dealership: photographic print and negative, approximately 1950 to 1955 (0013_0049)	folder 04
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Protestors outside of the Cashman car dealership: photographic print, approximately 1950 to 1955 (0013_0050)	folder 04
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