

# Guide to the Ella Earl Carruth Photograph Collection

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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special

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**Creator:** Carruth, Ella Calista Earl, 1901-1994

**Title:** Ella Earl Carruth Photograph Collection

**ID:** PH-00027

**Date [inclusive]:** 1906-1934

Physical 0.1 Linear Feet (1 hanging folder, 1 shared box of negatives)

Language of the English

Material:

**Description:** 

**Abstract:** The Ella Earl Carruth Photograph Collection contains

photographs depicting Mormon settlers in Nevada from 1906 to 1934. The materials include photographs of the Mormon Fort in present-day Las Vegas, Nevada, the town of Bunkerville, Nevada, and Mormon pioneers Edward Bunker, Joseph Ira Earl, and

Zilpha Earl.

#### **Preferred Citation**

Ella Earl Carruth Photograph Collection, 1906-1934. PH-00027. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada.

# **Biographical Note**

Ella Calista Carruth (née Earl) was born on June 19, 1901 in Bunkerville, Nevada. She was the granddaughter of Edward Bunker Sr., a Mormon settler who founded the town of Bunkerville in 1877. Carruth was also related through marriage to Zilpha Earl (née Fuller), who was purported to be the first non-indigenous person born in the Las Vegas Valley. Zilpha Earl was born at the Old Mormon Fort in present-day Las Vegas in 1856.

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## Arrangement

Materials are roughly arranged by subject.

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#### **Administrative Information**

#### Access

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## **Acquisition Note**

Materials were donated in 1976 by Ella Earl Carruth; accession number 1976-06.

## **Processing Note**

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2015, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Lindsay Oden wrote the collection description in compliance with current professional standards.

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#### **Related Materials**

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

Ella Earl Carruth. Interview, June 23, 1975. OH-00160. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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# **Names and Subjects**

- photographs
- Las Vegas Mormon Fort (Nev.)
- Mormon Church
- Bunkerville (Nev.)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)

# **Collection Inventory**

tle/Description	Containers
ld Mormon Fort	
Remodeled ranch house, Old Ranch, Las Vegas, Nevada, 1934 (0001) (view online)	folder 01
Negative: Truck in front of remodeled Old Fort building in Las Vegas, undated (0002) (view online)	box SH-017
Clark County Fair, Earl honey exhibit, 1925 (0003) (view online)	folder 01
unkerville, Nevada	
Earl home in Bunkerville, Nevada, 1915 (0004) (view online)	folder 01
High school in Bunkerville, 1920 (0005) (view online)	folder 01
Old meeting house and church in Bunkerville, 1917 (0006) (view online)	folder 01

Edward Bunker, undated (0007) (view online)

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	folder 01
Joseph Ira Earl, undated (0008) (view online)	folder 01
Sylvester Henry Earl, undated (0009) (view online)	folder 01
Zilpha Daedura Fuller Earl, first white child born in Las Vegas Valley at the Old Mormon Fort, undated (0010) (view online)	folder 01
2nd Bishopric of Bunkerville, Nevada: M. Abbot, E. Bunker, Jr., J. I. Earl, and George Lee, 1906 (0012) (view online)	folder 01
Ellen Celeste Woodward Fuller, spouse of Elijah Knapp Fuller, mother of Zilpha D. Fuller Earl, undated (0013) (view online)	folder 01