



## Guide to the Geneva Stark Merwin Photograph Collection

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Merwin, Geneva Stark, 1917-2016
<b>Title:</b>	Geneva Stark Merwin Photograph Collection
<b>ID:</b>	PH-00160
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1941 to 1942
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.25 Cubic Feet (4 hanging folders and 1 shared box of negatives)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.20 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Geneva Stark Merwin Photograph Collection features photographic prints and negatives of locations throughout Pahrump, Nevada between 1941 and 1942. Primary locations include a Pahrump school and Pahrump Ranch, as well as locations in local fields and mountains. The photographs capture candid scenes of people walking to school and feeding animals.

### Preferred Citation

Geneva Stark Merwin Photograph Collection, 1941-1942. PH-00160. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Biographical Note

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Geneva Stark Merwin was born on June 23, 1917. She worked as a teacher first in Pahrump, Nevada, then later in Las Vegas, Nevada after Maude Frazier recommended her to the city's school board. Merwin taught in Las Vegas for over thirty years, winning an award for her work in 1975. She died April 12, 2016.

Source:

Geneva Stark Merwin oral history interview, 1983 August 24. OH-01289. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Patrick, Elizabeth Nelson. "Merwin Photos of Pahrump." *Nevada Historical Society Quarterly*, vol. XXVII, No. 1 (spring 1984): 60.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain as they were received.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in approximately 1984 by Geneva Stark Merwin; accession number 2020-059.

## Processing Note

In 2020, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Jimmy Chang entered the data into ArchivesSpace and wrote the finding aid.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Collections

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

Geneva Stark Merwin oral history interview, 1983 August 24. OH-01289. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] 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

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- photographs
- Pahrump (Nev.)
- School buildings
- Ranch life

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Photographic prints and negatives, 1940 to 1941 (0160_0011-0160_0091)	

folder  
01

folder  
02

folder  
03

folder  
04

box  
SH-023