

Guide to the Dorothy Ray Photograph Collection on Southern Nevada

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Ray, Dorothy
Title:	Dorothy Ray Photograph Collection on Southern Nevada
ID:	PH-00161
Date [inclusive]:	approximately approximately 1900-1946
Physical Description:	0.1 Linear Feet (1 Hanging folder, 1 Shared box of negatives)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Dorothy Ray Photograph Collection on Southern Nevada, approximately 1900-1946, depicts infrastructure in Caliente, Nevada in the early to mid-twentieth century. The collection also contains images of a flash flood that occurred in 1905 in Carp, Nevada and Stine, Nevada that washed away roads and railroad tracks. This collection provides historical documentation about early to mid-century Caliente, Nevada.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The area known as present day Caliente, Nevada was established by two escaped slaves from Arkansas in the early 1860s. In 1901 a railroad track was built through the Culverwell Ranch. Building the track did not come without a dispute. The Union Pacific and San Pedro, Los Angeles, and Salt Lake Railroad fought for the only strip of land in the area where a railroad track could be easily built. In the end the Union Pacific gained control over the track. With the railroad running through the area, the town of Caliente, named for the hot springs in a nearby mountain, was established in Lincoln County, Nevada.

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The items described include photographic prints and negatives; some of the prints have corresponding negatives which are not listed separately. Items listed are photographic prints unless otherwise specified. Images listed specifically as negatives exist only in that format.

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Arrangement Note

Materials remain in original order. Many of the photographic prints have corresponding negatives. Negatives have been housed separately and can be found in box 10.

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Administrative Information

Access

The collection is open for research. Portions of this collection have been digitized and are [available online](#).

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in March 20, 1983 by Dorothy Ray; accession number 83-15.

Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2016, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Maryse Lundering-Timpano wrote the collection description in compliance with current professional standards.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

Union Pacific Railroad Photographs, 1904-1973. PH-00043. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

John E. Welsh Photograph Collection, approximately 1950-1954. PH-00285. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Caliente (Nev.)
- Rural Southern Nevada -- 20th Century
- Railroads – Nevada -- History

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Big Springs, Nevada, 1907	
Train, Big Springs, Nevada, 1907 (0161_0001) (view online)	folder 01
Caliente, Nevada, 1900-1946	
Main Street, Caliente, Nevada, approximately 1900-1910 (0161_0002) (view online)	folder 01
House, Caliente, Nevada, approximately 1900-1910 (0161_0003) (view online)	folder 01

Postcard: Union Pacific Club House, 1931 June 11 (0161_0004) (view online)	folder 01
Clover Street, Caliente, Nevada, approximately 1935-1945 (0161_0005) (view online)	folder 01
Roundhouse, Caliente, Nevada, approximately 1930-1939 (0161_0006) (view online)	folder 01
Building, Caliente, Nevada, approximately 1930-1939 (0161_0007) (view online)	folder 01
Steam trains, Caliente, Nevada, 1946 (0161_0008) (view online)	folder 01
Railroad turntable, Caliente, Nevada, approximately 1920-1929 (0161_0009) (view online)	folder 01
Union Pacific Station, Nevada, approximately 1930-1939 (0161_0010) (view online)	folder 01
Carp, Nevada, 1905	
Flash flood, Carp, Nevada, 1905 (0011)	folder 01
Stine, Nevada, 1905	
Flash flood, Stine, Nevada, 1905 (0012)	folder 01
Flash flood, Stine, Nevada, 1905 (0013)	folder 01
Flash flood, Stine, Nevada, 1905 (0014)	folder 01