**General Oral History Collection—Bibliography**

This bibliography includes oral histories from the Montana Historical Society’s General Oral History Collection. Subjects include education, emigration, immigration, paid work, unpaid work, and child rearing. Dates are variable. Where possible, audio format is noted. The collection is divided between oral histories that have been transcribed and those that have not. Where possible, length of typed transcription is noted.

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**Transcribed:**

**Alice Trinaystich Mallin and Richard Mallin interview, 1991 June 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 1481). Montana Historical Society Archives.** 1 audio tape (55 min.) 32-page transcript. Topics include Alice’s parents’ immigration to the United States from Croatia in 1906; the family’s relocation from Illinois to Red Lodge in 1911; her father’s work in the local coal mines; the financial difficulties the family suffered after her father’s accident in the mines; growing up in Red Lodge; Richard’s work in the Carbon County mines; differences between mining techniques in his native Scotland and in Red Lodge; Prohibition; World War II; and local athletes.

**Ann Zupan and Lucas F. Zupan interview, 1987 June 09. General Oral History Collection (OH 1402). Montana Historical Society Archives.** 1 audio tape (50 min.) 46-page transcript. Topics include their families, his Yugoslavian ancestry; living in Aldrich from 1905 to 1910; the closing of the local coal mine; coming to Roundup; the Slovenian community in Roundup; the Number Three Mine; Gibb Town; Farrow Town; Klein; his work as a miner; ethnic fraternal activities and insurance services; wakes and burials; alcohol and Prohibition; St. Benedict’s Catholic Church; and local business, primarily saloons and grocers. [See also General Montana OH 1403.]

**Antoinette “Toni” Fraser Rosell interview, 1978 November 24. General Oral History Collection (OH 1559). Montana Historical Society Archives.** 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 30 min.) 34-page transcript. Topics include her political career in the Montana Legislative Assembly from 1956 to 1976; her unsuccessful campaigns for the U.S. Senate and for the Montana lieutenant governor’s office; women’s rights; and the intricacies of the political and the legislative processes.

**Barbara Holter Kirkland interview, 1987 December 1. General Oral History Collection (OH 700). Montana Historical Society Archives.** 1 audio tape (1 hr., 10 min.) 11-page transcript. Topics include growing up in Helena during the 1930s; the 1935 Helena earthquakes; her schooling; and her family.

**Barbara Olind interview, 1999 July 24. General Oral History Collection (OH 1822). Montana Historical Society Archives.** 1 audio tape. 23-page transcript. In this interview Barbara Olind discusses her childhood in Saint Xavier, Montana; her education at Warman School and later in Hardin; working in the sugar beet fields; her and her husband’s work for Campbell Farms—she weighing grain and he as a foreman at Camp 4; experiences raising children at Camp 4; recollections of various ranch hands and cowboys; memories of Phoebe Knapp; and changes in the Hardin area landscape as a result of large-scale farming.

**Beatrice Macomber interview, 1982 February 12. General Oral History Collection (OH 565). Montana Historical Society Archives.** 1 audio tape (1 hr., 30 min.) 29-page transcript. Topics include her childhood on a Lake McDonald homestead prior to the 1910 creation of Glacier National Park; life in Columbia Falls; the Lake McDonald boardinghouse and midwife businesses of her mother, Lydia Comeau; and development around Lake McDonald during the twentieth century.

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Ben Siegfoid and Diane Siegfoid interview, 1990 May 16. General Oral History Collection (OH 1211). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 38-page transcript. Topics include Noxon; his work as a lineman for the Morgan Electric Company during the construction of the Noxon Rapids Dam; living accommodations; wildlife; and their later life in Missoula.

Betty Babcock interview, 1996 December 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1769). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 45 min.) 23-page transcript. Babcock discusses her experiences as first lady to Governor Tim Babcock from 1962 to 1968; her own political activities through the years including a term in the House of Representatives (1975-1977); her work to become a delegate to the Constitutional Convention; serving on the executive committee and public information committee; and her efforts following the convention to get the constitution passed.

Bill Fewkes and Clara Brock Fewkes interview, 1980 October 9. General Oral History Collection (OH 160). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 30 min.) 35-page transcript. Topics include the backgrounds of their families; history of the Tobacco Plains; their personal employment histories; community life in Libby; and the impact of the Libby Dam on the community of Rexford.

Bob Herrig and Inez Herrig interview, 1980 April 24. General Oral History Collection (OH 152). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 40-page transcript. Topics include their ancestries; childhood memories; social activities; rural education; professional employment; the lumber trade; and their attitudes regarding late 20th-century social and economic changes in the Libby area. Residents of Libby, Montana.

Catherine Finnland interview, 1978 January 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 1560). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 8-page transcript. Topics include childhood games; growing up in Libby; and the community of Libby.

Cecelia Wiseman interview, 1994 February 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 1656). Montana Historical Society Archives. 34-page transcript. Topics include her work life from the age of twelve, including working twenty-three years in a nursing home; living in a log house built by her father near the South Fork of the Teton; other cabins in the area; trapping; food preparation and preservation of meat, pemmican, crushed cherries, bread, bannock, fry bread, various herbs and spices, and wine; draw knives; her parents’ Canadian background; baby hammocks; and traditional medicines and remedies.

Cecelia Wiseman interview, 1994 March 1. General Oral History Collection (OH 1661). Montana Historical Society Archives. 47-page transcript. Topics include her work in a nursing home; her father’s work stacking hay; photos of family members and friends; straw tick; homesteads; square dances and fiddle music; being dragged by a horse; the family cabin she grew up in; chores; coal oil lights; soap making; using a washtub; bathing; gardens and domestic animals; childhood games; catching coyote pups and gopher tails for bounty; gathering wool and collecting bones for money; dances; the Belleville School; town life; local place names; and women who served in the military during World War II.

Charles and Jean Jorgenson interview, 1998 June. General Oral History Collection (OH 1780). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 41-page transcript. Chuck and Jean Jorgenson describe their experiences growing up in Helena; his father’s early catering and restaurant work; family ownership of Jorgenson’s Restaurant in Helena from 1950s to date; World War II service; and political and social events they catered over the years in Helena.

Daisy Pekich Lazetich interview, 1991 May 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 1488). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 12-page transcript. Topics include her parents’ immigration to Bear Creek from Montenegro, Yugoslavia, in 1920; her father’s partnership with her uncles in a combination grocery/bar; social and school activities in Bear Creek; and local ethnic communities.

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Dodie Turner Davis interview, 1993 June 11. General Oral History Collection (OH 1506). Montana Historical Society Archives. 3 audio tapes (2 hr., 40 min.) 20-page transcript. Topics include growing up in Melrose and Millpoint; her relocation to Bannack in 1931; her education in Bannack; local mines; the Gold Leaf Mine and Mill; local merchants; Bannack’s interaction with surrounding communities; changes in Bannack since she moved there; and specific buildings in town.

Don Larson and Ruth Larson interview, 1998 July 15. General Oral History Collection (OH 1782). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (50 min.) 26-page transcript. Ruth Jorgenson Larson discusses her father’s early work catering; her work as a young girl in the family business; later work at Jorgenson’s Restaurant; and major social and political events the family catered for. Don Larson briefly discusses his family’s arrival in Montana; growing up in Helena in the 1930s; military service during World War II; working at Frontier Town catering; expanding the restaurant into a lounge and motel; and the impact of gambling.

Doris Peterson interview, 1980 August 3. General Oral History Collection (OH 1215). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 24 min.) 43-page transcript. Topics include her parents; the family ranch near Craig; area health care; her education in a one-room elementary school; her job as a long-distance telephone operator; and life in Helena.

Dorothy Brading and Margaret Walker interview, 1982 March 14. General Oral History Collection (OH 559). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr., 30 min.) 50-page transcript. Topics include their father, A. L. Jordan; the family’s lumber business; their childhoods; their early work experiences; their educations at the University of Montana; and social life in Columbia Falls during Prohibition and during the 1930s Depression.

Dorothy Bradley interview, 1978 November 11. General Oral History Collection (OH 115). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 20-page transcript. Topics include environmental politics during the1970s; women’s political activities in Montana during the same decade; Toni Rosell; Francis Bardanouve; Thomas Judge; the Montana Environmental Policy Act; the Major Facilities Siting Act; the Constitutional Convention of 1972; and the League of Women Voters (LWV). Montana state legislator.

Edna Mae Saint Claire interview, 1990 August 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 1214). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 30 min.) 51-page transcript. Topics include her early life; her education; social and cultural activities in Woodhawk, north of Winifred; her parents’ homestead there; the 1930s Depression; her service with the WPA; her employment with several Montana newspapers; her duties with the U.S. Navy; her work in various national parks; and married life.

Edna Turner Meagher interview, 1990 July 27. General Oral History Collection (OH 1578). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 20 min.) 23-page transcript. Topics include her family; businesses, residents, and buildings in Bannack; the Gold Bug Mine; health care; mining accidents; and social activities and entertainment.

Edwina Noffsinger interview, 1982 April 7. General Oral History Collection (OH 567). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 26-page transcript. Topics include growing up with the Charles E. Conrad family in Kalispell; teaching school in Puerto Rico; her work for her husband’s Park Saddle Horse Company in Glacier National Park; unfair treatment of the horse concessionaire by the Great Northern Railway Company and by the National Park Service; dude ranches.

Elfreda Woodside interview, 1981 April 28. General Oral History Collection (OH 147). 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 14-page transcript. Topics include her 1950s work with Charles Bovey to restore and to gain a state park designation for the Bannack ghost town site. Dillon resident and president of the Beaverhead County Museum Association.

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Elizabeth Stadler Evans interview, 1990 September 26. General Oral History Collection (OH 1216), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 54-page transcript. Topics include her family; her childhood in Butte; her father, Lewis Orvis Evans, chief legal counsel for the Anaconda Copper Mining Company; Butte businesses, industries, and social life; the 1930s Depression; the activities of her mother, Martha Nichols Evans, in state politics; the family summer home on Swan Lake; the writer Irvin S. Cobb; and the cowboy-artist Charles M. Russell.

Elizabeth Winn interview, 1990 June 1. General Oral History Collection (OH 1492), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 10 min.) 8-page transcript. Topics include her family; her early life in Hope, Idaho; her marriage; her relocation to Dillon; and Bannack.

Eva Lenarz interview, 1995 October 25. General Oral History Collection (OH 1664), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 9-page transcript. Topics include her childhood in the Tobacco Valley, especially the communities of Eureka and Demers; local farms and residents; Cuffe and Phillips Creek Schools; rural electrification; “Jungle Town”; local dances; Eureka area orchards; making apple cider.

Evelyn McMannis Orr Doran interview, 1990 August 9. General Oral History Collection (OH 1496), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (22 min.) 6-page transcript. Topics include her family; her early life at Horse Prairie; the family’s relocation to Bannack; and the Bannack cemetery.

Georgia Paddock Deputy interview, 1990 June 29. General Oral History Collection (OH 1508), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (55 min.) 12-page transcript. Topics include her family’s moves from Redrock to Buffalo to Bannack; her early life and education in Bannack; local businesses; fires; her brothers and sisters; and her mother’s cooking. 545: Resident of Dillon, Mont.

Georgianna Crouse Andersen interview, 1980 June 21. General Oral History Collection (OH 576), Montana Historical Society Archives. 26-page transcript. Topics include farming on the East Bench in Beaverhead County under difficult conditions during the early 1900s; her married life on a sheep ranch near Bannack; many of the old buildings in Dillon; and the locations of many former businesses in town.

Gertrude Margretta Klein Saxtorph interview, 1978. General Oral History Collection (OH 1704), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape. 17-page transcript. 4-page summary. In this interview Gertrude “Trudy” Margretta Klein Saxtorph discusses her memories and experiences as a teacher in the Lewistown public schools. Gertrude graduated from Colorado College in 1923 and was hired to teach in the Lewistown schools. When she married Henrik Saxtorph in 1927 she was automatically laid off by the school system, although she continued to tutor from 1927 until World War II when she was rehired by the school system to teach at Fergus County High School. She retired in 1961. She also describes Lewistown-area residents, businesses, and customs; school and town politics and prejudices; the local Ku Klux Klan; and Prohibition.

Grace A. Kenelty interview, 1981 January 16. General Oral History Collection (OH 162), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr.) 33-page transcript. Topics include her family’s filing on a homestead outside Libby in 1906; her experiences on the homestead; education; personalities in the Libby area; visits to Libby by President Herbert Hoover and the author Edith Wharton; and the forest fires of 1910.

Helena Dawson Edkins interview, 1982 April 13. General Oral History Collection (OH 562), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 12-page transcript. Topics include the role of her father, Tom Dawson, in building Two Medicine Lodge in Glacier National Park; his construction of other buildings in the area; his experiences as a guide for hunting parties; and her childhood on a dude ranch in East Glacier.
Isabel Brown Gans interview, 1979. General Oral History Collection (OH 1689). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape. 21-page transcript. In this interview Lewistown resident Isabel Brown Gans discusses her memories and experiences as a teacher in the Lewistown public schools. She also mentions her childhood in Lothrop and Milltown; her father’s work for William A. Clark; her college experience in the history department at the University of Montana; Lewistown residents and customs; and general Lewistown history. In 1935 she was hired to teach at Fergus County High School. At that time the high school did not permit married women to teach, so when she married Paul J. Gans in 1939, she received the symbolic rolling pin from the principal.

Jane S. Johnson interview, 1990 August 30. General Oral History Collection (OH 1502). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 15-page transcript. Topics include her family; the family’s relocation to Bannack; local mining companies; and Bannack businesses, residents, and buildings.


Joe Stoken and Hazel Porter Stoken interview, 1988 January 12. General Oral History Collection (OH 1539). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 8-page transcript. Topics include their families; schooling; the Graves Creek area; logging; the U.S. Forest Service; the town of Fortine; WPA projects; and raising Christmas trees.

June Underwood Andreason interview, 1993 April 20. General Oral History Collection (OH 1505). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (50 min.) 14-page transcript. Topics include growing up in Bannack; local education; her various jobs as a young woman; local celebrations; and Bannack personalities.

Laura Marble Cunningham interview, 1982 January 29. General Oral History Collection (OH 561). 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 18-page transcript. Topics include growing up in North Dakota; her teaching experiences in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, and in Whitefish, Montana; working with her first husband, Ray Marble, to establish his photography business in the Flathead Valley; her employment as a switchboard operator at Apgar; and her teaching job in West Glacier.

Lenore T. McCollum interview, 1980 June 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 571). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 11-page transcript. Topics include her childhood in Twin Bridges; teaching high school math in Dillon; and her hobby of traveling to the headwaters of rivers around the world.

Loretta Jarussi and Lillian Jarussi interview, 1991 June 8. General Oral History Collection (OH 1487). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (50 min.) 19-page transcript. Topics include growing up in Red Lodge; their Italian heritage; their father’s work as a cobbler; recollections of South Slavic children first as fellow students and later as teachers; Red Lodge’s Festival of Nations; the rivalry between Red Lodge and Bear Creek; their respective college educations; their teaching jobs in Red Lodge; and the original family homestead.

Lucile Dyas Topping interview, 1968 February 20. General Oral History Collection (OH 35). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 20-page transcript. Topics include her father, Ralph Dyas; her grandfather, William F. Wheeler; and her life in Helena with her husband, Thomas Topping, a local realtor.

Lucille Pontet interview, 1998 June. General Oral History Collection (OH 1779). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 21-page transcript. Pontet describes her experiences growing up in Helena, Montana; her family’s catering business; family ownership of Jorgenson’s Restaurant; and her own work as waitress, cashier, and hostess in the restaurant.

Maida McCartney interview, 1975 November 23. General Oral History Collection (OH 95). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 16-page transcript. Topics include her long-running radio program “Chinook Hour”; the philosophy of the show; and her early years in broadcasting.
Mamie Cox interview, [ca. 1974]. General Oral History Collection (OH 141). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 14-page transcript. Topics include her arrival in Montana in 1886 and her experiences operating the Three Circle Ranch with her husband.

Margaret S. Davis interview, 1992 June 11. General Oral History Collection (OH 1281). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 15 min.) 34-page transcript. Topics include her parents; her childhood; her education; her marriage to Gary Davis; her husband’s military service in Germany; relocation to Helena; her involvement with the League of Women Voters (LWV) and with the Montana Hunger Coalition. [See also Margaret S. Davis Papers, MC 233.]

Margaret Sieben Hibbard interview, 1978 May 17. General Oral History Collection (OH 989). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 54-page transcript. Topics include her family; her experiences growing up; her schooling; Helena social life; friends; her volunteer work at St. Peter’s Hospital in Helena; her father, Henry Sieben, a Helena Valley rancher; and her husband, Alfred T. Hibbard, a banker.

Mary Duncan Colley interview, 1999 May 27. General Oral History Collection (OH 1812). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 40 min.) 27-page transcript. 4-page summary. Colley discusses growing up in Butte, Montana, in the 1930s and 1940s as part of an African American family; her father’s work as a podiatrist and as editor of New Age, an African American newspaper in Butte; her mother’s volunteer work including membership in the Montana Federation of Colored Women’s Clubs; her parents’ hosting students of color from Montana School of Mines in Butte; how her community sheltered her from racism; differences between her experiences with race and that of her brothers and sisters; making the transition from an all-white culture of Butte to an all-black women’s college; and her views on why the African American community dwindled in the years following World War II.

Mary Miller Larison interview, 1999 September 13. General Oral History Collection (OH 1818). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. 23-page transcript. Larison discusses growing up in Kentucky; her marriage to Hoyt Larison in 1939; moving to Helena in 1946 to establish a paint business; life in Helena; her activities in the Lewis and Clark Republican Women’s Club and Helena Church Women; her interest in helping Native American families on “Hill 57” in Great Falls; and her charitable work for St. Peter’s Hospital and the Helena area Habitat for Humanity.

Mary Munger interviews, 1982 December to 1983 November. General Oral History Collection (OH 1836). Montana Historical Society Archives. 11 audio tapes. 155-page transcript. Munger discusses becoming a nurse; training at St. James Hospital; patients from mining accidents; illegal abortion patients; work at Montana State Hospital, Warm Springs; Nursing Cadet Corps; attending University of Minnesota Public Health Program (through Montana Department of Health Bureau of Nursing); public health work in Helena area as a school nurse; conflicts between RNs ad LPNs; membership in civic and professional organizations, including the Soroptimist Club and State Organization for Public Health Nurses; Lake County work to establish County Public Health Program in public schools; work with Native Americans; Crippled Children’s Clinics in Helena and Lake County; the Montana Nurses Association; tuberculosis cases; Murray-Wagner-Dingel Bill (national insurance); marriage to Chub Munger; MNA work to establish the state’s first nurses contract; various specialty associations for nurses; Taft-Hartley Bill (exemption of nonprofit hospitals from rules of collective bargaining); defining standards for RNs, LPNs, nurse’s aides, and public and private duty nurses; nurses educational requirements changing in 1970s; Medicare; early contract negotiations; work to get the “Blue-eyed Nurses” bill passed in state (establishing executive director of MNA as lobbyist); nursing-related legislative issues, 1950s-1970s; continuing education for nurses; conflicts with Hospital Association; changes in the nursing profession; and retirement.

May Tonrey interview, 1980 May 21. General Oral History Collection (OH 572). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 8-page transcript. Topics include growing up in Dillon and on a ranch outside of Dillon; the types of entertainment available; and playing in the Tonrey-Baxter Orchestra with her husband, Francis Tonrey, from 1914 to 1936.
Mildred Chesarek Harbolt interview, 1991. General Oral History Collection (OH 1483), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 15 min.) 36-page transcript. Topics include her father’s immigration to the United States in 1883; her mother’s immigration to this country in 1903; the family’s move to Bear Creek; her father’s work operating the “First and Last Chance Saloon”; the role of the saloon in the Bear Creek community; relations between Slovenians and other ethnic groups; schools; special recipes; and the Roman Catholic Church.

Mildred Fisher Hadcock interview, 1983 January. General Oral History Collection (OH 597), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (45 min.) 2-page transcript. Topics include growing up on a ranch on Beaver Creek, in an area now covered by Canyon Ferry Lake, and her later life on local ranches.

Minnie Williams and Vivian Kipp interview, 1999 July 25. General Oral History Collection (OH 1824), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape. 11-page transcript. In this interview Minnie Williams and her sister Vivian Kipp discuss their parents’ work for Camp #2 in Campbell Farms from 1926 to 1930; their grandparents’ and parents’ history in the Chester area; and recollections of their father’s work with livestock and horses and as a mechanic for Campbell Farms.

Monte Dingley and Sally Garrett Dingley interview, 1993 June 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 1581), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (55 min.) 28-page transcript. Topics include his early years in Dubois, Wyoming, and in Dillon, Montana; his work as a youth for the Dillon Examiner; the railroad in Beaverhead County; her research into Dillon history; and various books on the history of the Dillon area.

Norma Badura interview, 1999 July 26. General Oral History Collection (OH 1821), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape. 15-page transcript. Badura discusses growing up in Bellry, Montana; her marriage to Norman Badura; and her work as a cook at Camp #4 for the Campbell Farming Corporation from 1978 to 1983.

Orville G. Carpenter and Ruth Palmer Rhodes Carpenter interview, 1988 November 30. General Oral History Collection (OH 1536), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 5 min.) 14-page transcript. Topics include their respective family histories; early Eureka, Hayden, and Gateway; the old Tobacco Plains School; the Iowa Flats School; area homesteaders; the Great Northern Railway; and the Fewkes Store in Eureka.

Pauline Harmon interview, 1978 January 12. General Oral History Collection (OH 166), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 11-page transcript. Topics include life in the area’s mobile lumber camps during the early 1900s and her experiences homesteading on the plains near Malta.

Pearl Bessie Conner interview, 1970 September 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 10), 1 audio tape (60 min.) 21-page transcript. Topics include her homesteading experiences in the Camp Creek area north of Bozeman from about 1900 to 1905.

Peggy Sarsfield interview, 1982 February 24. General Oral History Collection (OH 568), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 8-page transcript. Peggy, whose full name was Hester Margaret Sarsfield, was the daughter of Thomas Jefferson Davis, one of the founders of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park. Topics include her father’s early work for the YMCA and his long association with Rotary International, the sponsoring organization for the Peace Park.

Rolene Tripp Haboush and Helen Tripp Unkonich interview, 1988 August 13. General Oral History Collection (OH 1537), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 30 min.) 15-page transcript. Topics include their family; Eureka; friends; their schooling; the town of Warland; their father, Leland Edmund Tripp; local physicians; and area entertainment.

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Rose Jurkovich interview, 1991 June 8. General Oral History Collection (OH 1486). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 10 min.) 23-page transcript. Topics include her parents’ emigration from Niksich, Montenegro, to Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, in 1914; the family’s relocation to Montana in 1922; prejudice against South Slavic immigrants in Red Lodge; visiting the Statue of Liberty as an adult; her education; her career working for the local phone company; and caring for her mother and her brother.

Rose Naglich MacFarland interview, 1991 June 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 1474). Montana Historical Society Archives. 3 audio tapes (2 hr., 30 min.) 75-page transcript. Topics include her parents’ emigration from Croatia to the United States in the early 1900s; her father’s work in the mines at Bear Creek; life in Bear Creek, a largely immigrant community including Slovenians, Montenegrans, Serbs, and Croatians; the Catholic Church; local events and customs; and her family.

Ruby Swanson interview, 1979 November 26. General Oral History Collection (OH 155). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 23-page transcript. Topics include the history of her family; her father’s employment in the Flathead Valley; early residents of Troy; social life; education; her work as manager of the Congressional Club in Washington, DC; and environmental questions relating to Libby Dam and to other Kootenai River projects.

Russ Sheen interview, 1968 May 09. General Oral History Collection (OH 37). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (10 min.) 5-page transcript. Topics include a Blackfeet Indian legend about Scarface; K. W. Bergan’s making of a film; a religious ceremony performed at Heart Butte in 1956 by Maggie Swims Under of Browning, who had vowed to perform the ceremony if her grandson recovered from polio.

Ruth Arlene Nora Lentz interview, 1990 March 13. General Oral History Collection (OH 1218). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 10 min.) 17-page transcript. Topics include her childhood in rural Wadena, Saskatchewan, Canada, during the 1930s; her family’s move to Baker in 1943; nursing school in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from 1947 to 1951; her marriage; her nursing experiences in Bozeman and then Missoula; and life in Missoula during the 1960s.

Selina Monroe interview, 1982 April 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 566). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr., 30 min.) 37-page transcript. Topics include her life in Browning as the daughter of a Blackfeet mother and an Irish father; relations between full-bloods and mixed-bloods on the Blackfeet Reservation; Native American ceremonies during the early 1900s; and changes in area place names. Selina Monroe’s daughter, Babe Mutch, and her granddaughter, Loretta Pepion, also participate in the interview.

Tony Zupan and Shirley Zupan interview, 1991 June 9. General Oral History Collection (OH 1479). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 58-page transcript. Topics include the emigration of Tony’s father, Nick Zupan, from Yugoslavia to the United States; the arranged marriage of his parents; the family’s relocation from Waterloo, Iowa, to Red Lodge in 1918; his father’s work transporting coal cars from the mines to the Northern Pacific rail line; the United Mine Workers; the Croatian Fraternal Union; his mother’s work in the home; Croatian, Finnish, Italian, Yugoslav, Montenegrin, and Serbian ethnic communities in the area; local events and people; and the Festival of Nations.

Trudy Malone interview, 1985 January 16. General Oral History Collection (OH 1835). Montana Historical Society Archives. 5 audio tapes. 97-page transcript. Malone discusses her decision to become a nurse; education and training at Kaylor School of Nursing in Minnesota; entering the U.S. Army; working at Fort Lewis; training with the 76th General Hospital Unit; overseas service during World War II; billeting with local families; dealing with casualties; the Battle of Bulge; mental impact of surgery on doctors and nurses; marriage in 1946; moving to Columbus, Ohio; working at the University of Ohio Medical School; returning to Montana after the death of her husband; going back to school; earning her master’s degree on the GI Bill from MSU-Bozeman; work in Missoula at Northern Pacific Beneficial Hospital Association hospital; experiences in the Montana Nurses Association; state and national boards of nursing; and her life in retirement.

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Vera Marinček Naglich interview, 1991 May 25. General Oral History Collection (OH 1489), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 40 min.) 39-page transcript. Topics include her family’s emigration from Slovenia, Yugoslavia, to Wyoming; the family’s relocation to Bear Creek to work in the coal mines in 1912; her father’s life as a miner; her father’s death in the 1943 Smith Mine disaster; social and school events in Bear Creek; alcohol and Prohibition; family traditions and holiday celebrations; and the family of her husband, John Naglich.

Vera Marinček Naglich interview, 1991 June 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1490), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 14-page transcript. Topics include prearranged marriages in her family and in the ethnic communities of Bear Creek and Red Lodge.

Vickie Garrett interview, 1995 July 22. General Oral History Collection (OH 1630), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (50 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include her experiences in the Montana Children’s Center (formerly the Montana State Orphans’ Home) in Twin Bridges from 1960 to 1964; her life before coming to the center; daily routines and chores; education; relationships with children and staff; her current work as a teacher; and her reaction to the debate over reopening orphanages.

Vivian Paladin interview, 1998 September 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 1786), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 55 min.) 57-page transcript. Paladin, former editor of Montana: The Magazine of Western History, discusses her family and growing up in Minnesota; moving to Glasgow during the Depression; her educational background; early career in journalism as a Linotype operator for the Glasgow Courier and Times; entering the Linotype profession, which was then dominated by men; attending the University of Montana Journalism School; working with Dan Whetstone on the Cut Bank Pioneer Press; courtship and marriage to Jack Paladin; her work and life in Havre; living and working in New York; work with K. Ross Toole; beginning her career at the Montana Historical Society in the 1950s; work as editor of the magazine; early days of the Western History Association; and life after retirement.

W. A. Sherlock and Mary Sherlock interview, 1960. General Oral History Collection (OH 60), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (25 min.) 9-page transcript. 2-page summary. Mary discusses the establishment of the Crow Creek community.

Wesley Van Gordon and Virginia Van Gordon interview, 1984 September 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 1049), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 13-page transcript. Topics include life in Pony; their operation of the local Mammoth Mine during the 1940s; their ownership of a pottery shop in Cardwell; and pottery making and equipment.

Winifred McMannis Schwartz and Raymond M. Schwartz interview, 1980 June 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 577), Montana Historical Society Archives. 16-page transcript. Topics include Winifred’s childhood in Bannack and Argenta; her work as a telephone operator in Dillon; Raymond’s work as a mortician; his duties as the Beaverhead County coroner; and his involvement in a posse that arrested the murderer E. C. Davis in 1920.

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Adeline Beaver interview, 1983 April 14. General Oral History Collection (OH 1517), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her family; the family’s relocation to Round Butte; her childhood; her education at Western Montana College in Dillon; and her work as a teacher.
Alice Dettwiler interview, 1990 April 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1320). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 40 min.) 19-page summary. Topics include her early life in Kalispell; health care in Kalispell during the 1930s; her education, training, and nursing work in Minnesota; her return to Montana in 1954; her work as an office nurse in the Noxon clinic from 1962 to 1980; emergency medical transportation in western Sanders County; her duties as a school nurse at Noxon High School; and nursing issues in rural areas.

Alta Sanders interview, 1982 March 27. General Oral History Collection (OH 902). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 9-page summary. Topics include growing up in Helena during the early 1900s; writing for the Helena Treasure State and Montana Record-Herald newspapers; her uncle Wilbur Fisk Sanders and other family members; the Chinese community in Helena; her work for the Montana Highway Commission; her move to Los Angeles; and her work for the Los Angeles Times.

Amy Rockafellow interview, 1989 December 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 999). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (25 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her family life in the Hamilton area from 1927 to 1989; her employment with the U.S. Post Office Department; her husband, Lloyd Rockafellow; daughter, Amy Lee; grandchildren; her son-in-law, Everett Felix, who was taken hostage during the 1959 Montana State Prison riot in Deer Lodge; her activities in the Order of the Eastern Star, Montana Society, in the Rainbow Girls, in the Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and in the Golden Age Club; her retirement. [See also OH 1449]

Amy Rockafellow and Loyd Rockafellow interview, 1990 January 9. General Oral History Collection (OH 1449). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr., 30 min.) Amy Rockafellow discusses her maternal grandparents, who were among the earliest settlers of the Corvallis community and her work as the Corvallis postmistress from the 1930s to 1975. Loyd Rockafellow discusses his birth in Nebraska and his arrival in the Bitterroot Valley in 1902.


Annie Kirch Bisby interview, 1983 January 20. General Oral History Collection (OH 593). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (33 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her parents, Lewis and Ann Kirch; the family’s immigration to Montana from Austria; her childhood on a ranch near Winston in the late 1890s to early 1900s; and being a ranch wife.

Arlyne Reichert interview, 1997. General Oral History Collection (OH 1728). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. Arlyne Reichert was a delegate to the 1972 Montana Constitutional Convention. In this interview she discusses her life raising her children after the death of her husband; her political activity in Great Falls prior to the Constitutional Convention; her efforts to run for the Montana state legislature; her views on unicameral legislature; serving on the Legislative Committee; and remaining politically active since the convention.

Augusta Eliason Trask interview, 1953. General Oral History Collection (OH 557). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her birth in a wagon as her family moved to Utah; the family’s migration to Idaho and then to Deer Lodge, Montana Territory; her mother’s preparations for the rumored arrival of the retreating Nez Percé during the summer of 1877; and pioneer life in the Deer Lodge Valley during the 1870s.

Barbara Sell interview, 1999 February 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 1798). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 20 min.) Sell discusses her family and their history in Big Timber; influence of her grandmother, Fanny Elizabeth Officer; various community involvements in Big Timber; involvement in and concerns about the Kellogg Extension Education Program (KEEP); her membership in the successor group, Montana Leadership Development Association (MLDA); important training opportunities she received and how she used them; social aspects of both groups; overall role of the programs in her life; and her hopes for the future of MLDA.

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Belle Fligelman Winestine interview, 1976. General Oral History Collection (OH 87). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 3-page summary. In a reminiscence entitled “Belle Winestine: Feminist and Suffragette,” Belle discusses her work as an aide to Montana congresswoman Jeannette Rankin during her 1917-1918 term; her observations of Rankin; the women’s suffrage movement; the Equal Rights Amendment; women as legislators and as professionals; and women’s roles in the international peace movement.

Bessie Rehm interview, 1990 December 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1291). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (18 min.) 5-page summary. Topics include the Gallatin Canyon area during the 1950s; Pete Karst and the Karst Camp; Chet Huntley’s Big Sky project; and changes in the area caused by the development of Big Sky.

Camille Maffei and Lucy Maffei interview, 1983 May 4. General Oral History Collection (OH 583). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 3-page summary. Topics include the social life, the people, the businesses, and the churches of the Italian community of Meaderville, located adjacent to Butte.

Carolyn Drye interview, 1991 November 30. General Oral History Collection (OH 1379). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (20 min.) 5-page summary. Topics include her career as a teacher; changes in the teaching profession during her career; and the effects of technology and changing discipline on the classroom. Drye was a teacher in Arlee.

Catherine McDowell interview, 1990 May 30. General Oral History Collection (OH 1212). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 4-page summary. Topics include her father, Fabian J. Bissonet; her father’s immigration to Montana from Canada; her childhood on a family ranch near Gold Creek; cooking for hay crews; her education in Catholic academies, including Sacred Heart School in Missoula; making quilts; childhood diseases; attending the normal school (Western Montana College) in Dillon; teaching; getting married and starting a family; relocating to the Noxon area; getting electricity for the first time; the 1930s Depression; relocating to Spokane, Washington; work as a chauffeur for the Naval Supply Base during World War II; duties as an accountant in Spokane; and home medical remedies.

Daphne Bugbee Jones interview, 1997. General Oral History Collection (OH 1729). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. Daphne Bugbee Jones was a delegate to the 1972 Montana Constitutional Convention. In this interview she discusses her education in architecture; her efforts to be elected to the Constitutional Convention; her experiences as a female delegate; and her work on the Legislative and Public Information Committees.

Della Johnson Williams interview, [ca. 1960]. General Oral History Collection (OH 63). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her life in Radersburg and the Crow Creek Valley from the 1880s to the 1920s; her children, David and Myrna; and Rev. William Van Orsdel. Mother of actress Myrna Loy.

Doris Whithorn interview, 1998 November 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 1790). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 35 min.) 7-page summary. Whithorn, a longtime resident of Livingston, Montana, discusses her childhood in Nebraska; moving to Warden, Montana in 1939; her Swedish family traditions including the preparation of lutefisk; attending college in Lincoln, Nebraska; living in Billings during World War II; her husband’s work in reproducing historic photographs; her own interest in local history; writing for the local newspaper; the establishment of the Park County Historical Society and Museum; her publishing career; local history including Chico Hot Springs, the development of Gardiner, Jardine, the Aldridge coal mine, the Shields Valley and the Cutler and Hill murder sites; and her work running the Wan-a-gon, a tourist camp near Emigrant, Montana.

Dorothy Eck interview, 1997 May 27. General Oral History Collection (OH 1771). Montana Historical Society Archives. 4 audio tapes (4 hr.) Eck, Montana legislator and delegate to the 1972 Montana Constitutional Convention, discusses her experiences at the convention serving as Western vice president; her membership in the League of Women Voters; the role of women in the convention; and the development of her political career in Montana’s legislature.

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Dorothy Schoknecht interview, 1995 August 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1643), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her family’s experiences owning property on Lake McDonald in Glacier National Park from the 1920s to the present; transportation; the development of tourist accommodations; Going-to-the-Sun Highway; the fire of 1929; National Park Service management; Glacier View Dam; and the flood of 1964.

Edith M. Eddy interview, 1981 February 12. General Oral History Collection (OH 610), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 20 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include life on the reservation from 1906 to 1914. Eddy was 100 years old at the time of the interview. Wife of Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation superintendent John R. Eddy. Eddy, Edith M., b. 1881.

Elfreda Woodside interview, 1982 July 31. General Oral History Collection (OH 553), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (33 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include the history of the Beaverhead County Museum and the challenges of operating a small-town museum in Montana. Founder and director of the Beaverhead County Museum in Dillon.

Ella Lamport Leavens interview, 1971 April 22. General Oral History Collection (OH 7), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (60 min.) Topics include the early communities of Bear Creek and Billings; area pioneers; Calamity Jane stories; and various Billings residents. Widow of cowboy Robert Leavens.

Ellen Murrell interview, 1992 July 23. General Oral History Collection (OH 1504), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (50 min.) Topics include growing up in Dillon; her family; visiting Bannack in her youth; local schools; the uses of various buildings in Bannack; and local activities and celebrations.

Elsie Munser Beck Wilson interview, 1967 August 17. General Oral History Collection (OH 34), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (15 min.) 3-page summary. Topics include the early history of Basin, including its buildings and local personalities.

Emily Mae Sherman interview, 1982 November 19. General Oral History Collection (OH 551), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (13 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her first two years of teaching at rural schools in Medicine Lodge and in Maudlow from 1929 to 1931 and the particulars of the physical facilities and functioning of those schools.

Etta Gill Riley and Edith Gill Roope Walter interview, 1983 March. General Oral History Collection (OH 600), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (37 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include their childhood in the Canton area north of Townsend; their education at the Whaley School; and their respective marriages, children, and grandchildren.

Eula Mae Hall interview, 1994. General Oral History Collection (OH 1638), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 35 min.) Topics include her experiences growing up around Helena; the Hall family ranch outside of White Sulphur Springs; Blackfeet and Crow Indians’ interactions with her parents; moving to Helena; Helena residents; the history of many of Helena’s historic homes and buildings, including the Warren Hotel, Sixth Street business district, Holter family home, and the Tobin House; traveling throughout the world with the Holter family as a young woman.

Eyra Sievers and Marguerite Davidson interview, [ca.1978]. General Oral History Collection (OH 1572), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (20 min.) 1-page summary. Eyra Sievers recalls growing up on a Minnesota farm in the early 1900s; Christmas festivities; forms of play on the family farm; teaching in rural schools near Billings and Dillon during the 1920s; and her relocation to Libby in the 1940s. Marguerite Davidson discusses a bisque doll owned by her sister in 1898; female social gatherings; and Libby-area events, including Fourth of July activities, circus performances, and chautauqua weeks.

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Fanny Sperry Steele interview, 1970 May 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 36). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (25 min.) Topics include cattle ranching near Helena from 1912 to 1930; her career as a rodeo rough-stock rider; a wild-horse roundup near Helena; and the planned donation of her saddles to the Montana Historical Society Museum in Helena.

Fay White interview, 1984 October 16. General Oral History Collection (OH 1048). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 7-page summary. Topics include her schooling; residents in the Pony area; local activities; her friends; and her family.

Faye Miller Landis and Robert Bruce Landis interview, 1982 October 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 645). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 7-page partial transcript. Topics include his work in the mines at Mammoth and Butte and in Arizona; living in Cardwell; adventures boarding schoolchildren on their ranch; and her experiences being transported to school for $3 a month by Elroy Shaw, who placed plank seats on each side of a truck and a canvas over the top.

Frances Senska interview, 1998 June 9. General Oral History Collection (OH 1805). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. Senska discusses her association with the Archie Bray Foundation from its beginnings in the 1950s; her approach to teaching art; the growth in popularity of ceramics following World War II; the influence of Africa arts in her work; Sister Trinitas; Branson Stevenson and the Montana State Fair Crafts Department; Hamada and Yanagi; Peter Meloy and the influence of a trip to Black Mountain College in 1953 on his work; efforts to keep the Bray going after Archie’s death; Helena community involvement with the Bray; and her tutelage with Marguerite Wildenhain.

Frances Senska and Jesse Wilbur interview, 1979. General Oral History Collection (OH 1441). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 10 min.) 5-page summary. Topics include ceramic art; their experiences at the Archie Bray Foundation in Helena; Peter Voulkos; Kelly Wong; Lillian Beauschar; Branson Stevenson. Frances Senska also talks about her early life in Cameroon, West Africa; and her education in industrial design.

Fred Tichbourne and Margarite Tichbourne interview, 1993 February 2. General Oral History Collection (OH 1375). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 11-page summary. Topics include their families; their early lives in Fortine and Kalispell, respectively; the 1930s Depression; and businesses, industries, and residents of Eureka.

Frieda Fligelman interview, 1976. General Oral History Collection (OH 615). Montana Historical Society Archives. 3 audio tapes (2 hr.) 3-page summary. Topics include her family’s background in Romania; Herman Fligelman’s immigration to the United States; her education at the University of Wisconsin and at Columbia University in New York City; and the life of a cultured Jewish family in Helena from the 1890s into the 1900s. Linguistic sociologist and daughter of Herman Fligelman, founder of the New York Department Store in Helena.

Grace A. Keneltty interview, 1978. General Oral History Collection (OH 1576). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (20 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her family, who homesteaded near Libby in 1906; her childhood; her schooling; the economic poverty, but emotional warmth, of the family; the forest fires of 1910; and her work teaching in Havre, Yaak, Stryker, and other northwestern Montana towns.

Hale Averill Snyder interview, 1983 February 16. General Oral History Collection (OH 603). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) Topics include her childhood in Townsend; teaching school in Hawaii; and her life in Scarsdale, New York.

Harriet Whitworth interview, 1983 May 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1516). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (20 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include reservation life; her childhood; and her education at St. Ignatius.
Hattie Osterbauer interview, 1986. General Oral History Collection (OH 987). Montana Historical Society Archives. 4 audio tapes (5 hr.) Topics include homesteading in Hill County in 1912, after her first husband’s death; the hardships of life as a widow; her marriage to Lawrence Osterbauer in 1914; and her involvement with the Gildford Ladies Aid Society and other social activities.

Helen Ingram interview, 1980 February 17. General Oral History Collection (OH 1784). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 2-page summary. Ingram discusses growing up in Missouri; losing her mother at age eight; moving to Montana at age fifteen; homesteading with her family around Brockway, Montana; attending high school in Miles City; earning a bachelor’s degree at the University of Montana in Missoula; and teaching Italian and Finnish immigrant students for a summer in remote areas of Missoula County.

Ida Lovell Bruce and Emma Keene Lourie interview, [ca. 1960]. General Oral History Collection (OH 61). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (20 min.) 3-page summary. Topics include their lives as ranch wives in Broadwater County from the 1880s to 1930s. Ida Bruce also describes her childhood in Diamond City and the history of Confederate Gulch. Emma Lourie also discusses growing up as the daughter of pioneer rancher Flavins J. Keene; her life with the Sheep Creek rancher Joseph H. Lourie; and her family.

Inez M. Siegrist interview, 1983 July 26. General Oral History Collection (OH 1520). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 40 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include her family; proving up on a homestead alone in Montana; her work as a teacher; her employment with Marcus Daly III; photography; the WPA; forest fires; rattlesnakes; the Montana home front during World War I; and women in the work force.

James McKinnell and Nan McKinnell interview, 1979 June 4. General Oral History Collection (OH 1426). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 15 min.) 3-page summary. Topics include their respective educations; their work in pottery and ceramics; and experiences with the Archie Bray Foundation in Helena.

Jane Williams Bottler interview, 1983 May 16. General Oral History Collection (OH 606). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (21 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include her life and work on an area ranch and her memories of local personalities.

Jeannette Rankin interview, 1963 August 29. General Oral History Collection (OH 1046). Montana Historical Society Archives. 3 audio tapes (3 hr.) 2-page summary. Topics include women’s suffrage; her campaigns and elections; her role in Congress; the peace movement; Thomas J. Walsh; Wellington Rankin; World War I; and World War II.

Judy Cornell interview, 1981 August 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 1430). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 30 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include her education; her marriage to David Cornell; experiences and activities involved with her role as associate director of the Archie Bray Foundation in Helena; teaching art; selling art; discrimination against women artists; gender roles in Montana; the Archie Bray Foundation; and her relocation to San Francisco, California.

Julia Schultz and Peter Long Horse interview, 1961 April 21. General Oral History Collection (OH 207). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (2 hr.) Topics include Gros Ventre lifestyles; tribal customs; and traditional stories. They are members of the Gros Ventre tribe of Montana.

Kate Peloquin Young and Jack Young interview, 1969 October 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 171). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 2-page summary. Kate Young discusses her life in the Ural area; her childhood experiences on the Peloquin homestead in Lincoln County; log drives; and her husband, Rufus Young. Her stepson, Jack Young, discusses his experiences as the builder, maintainer, and operator of the Kootenai River ferry from 1930 to the 1950s.
Kathleen “Toddy” Winslow Thompson interview, 1982 October 1. General Oral History Collection (OH 647). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) Topics include her family; schooling; electrical and greenhouse businesses in Whitehall; parades; camping trips; social activities; area residents; senior citizens activities; and her cabin at Mammoth.

Leona Lenarz interview, 1985 October 17. General Oral History Collection (OH 688). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 30 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include her childhood on a ranch near Eureka during the 1930s; her family; her marriage to Clarence Lenarz in 1938; and her work as the librarian at the Eureka public library from 1955 to 1982.

Lois Munns Teague interview, 1994 August 27. General Oral History Collection (OH 1603). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 40 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include arriving in Montana in 1926 as a young woman to teach; teaching jobs in Galata and Whitlash; life in the Sweet Grass Hills country; Prohibition; rum-running trucks; wild horses; Native American artifacts; Scandinavian settlers; blizzards; the local homestead boom of 1911; sheepsharers; and other teaching experiences.

Louise Zanchi interview, 1983 May 3. General Oral History Collection (OH 580). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (50 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include the cultural, social, and economic life of Italians in the Meaderville section of Butte. Victor Segna, present during the taping, also contributes to this interview.

Lucille T. Otter interview, 1995 June 24. General Oral History Collection (OH 1623). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 10 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include growing up near St. Ignatius on the Flathead Indian Reservation; gaining clerical training in the WPA; the Kicking Horse Job Corps; working for the Native American Division of the Montana CCC as a supply and payroll clerk for Headquarters at Dixon from 1935-1942; living conditions, social activities, and politics at Headquarters.

Lucy Sauer interview, 1978 January 13. General Oral History Collection (OH 1575). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (20 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include her family background and early residents of the county who came from Wisconsin. She also recites poetry that she used as part of her teaching curriculum. She was a Lincoln County schoolteacher.

Luigi Pasini and Norma Pasini interview, 1983 May 4. General Oral History Collection (OH 582). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 3-page summary. Topics include their experiences as Italian immigrants living in Butte; the contrasts between the Italian communities in Butte and in Elkhorn; winemaking and food preparation; and the Cristoforo Columbo Lodge.

Mabel Manion and Pearl Rogers interview, 1984. General Oral History Collection (OH 993). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 5-page summary. The sisters discuss growing up in Mammoth and Whitehall; their schooling; ranch chores; and family members.

Margaret Gompf interview, 1978. General Oral History Collection (OH 176). Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (55 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include the Gompf Funeral Home in Libby, owned by her father-in-law and managed by her mother-in-law, Lauradell Gompf; Lauradell Gompf’s service as county coroner; and family experiences both in Libby and across Montana.

Marguerite “Tad” Shannon Collins and Ruth “Babe” Shannon Mayer interview, 1986 September 9. General Oral History Collection (OH 696). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 5-page summary. Topics include their parents, John C. and Angeline Hoyt Shannon; the family’s arrival in Helena from Wisconsin in 1880; the family’s move to a ranch near White Sulphur Springs; schooling; social life; and homesteading.
Mary Ellen Ragen interview, [ca. 1960]. General Oral History Collection (OH 59), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (13 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include her early life in the Townsend area; her husband, rancher Edward Ragen; and her parents’ overland journey from Omaha, Nebraska, to Virginia City, Montana Territory, in 1864.

Mary K. Dempsey interview, 1968 March 15. General Oral History Collection (OH 78), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (15 min.) Topics include the historical society’s holdings and the institution’s services to the public. Librarian at the Montana Historical Society in Helena and formerly the head librarian at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mary Keegan D’Arcy interview, 1983 February 23. General Oral History Collection (OH 596), Montana Historical Society Archives. 3 audio tapes (3 hr.) 2-page summary. Topics include her childhood in Ireland; problems with Irish landlords; her first husband, John Scery; her life on a ranch near Townsend, where she met her second husband, Will D’Arcy; living in the community of Townsend; and her four children.

Mary Shobe Ford interview, 1980 August 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 623), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 15 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her childhood in Helena; her grandfather, Montana territorial governor Preston H. Leslie; teaching piano in Marysville and in Helena; her marriage to Sam Ford; and her life in the Montana governor’s mansion in Helena during the 1940s.

Mary Young interview, 1992 April 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 1282), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (50 min.) 5-page summary. Topics include growing up in Toole County; ranching in the Sweetgrass Hills; her family’s relocation to Kalispell; their subsequent move to Oilmont; Prohibition; her education; and her experiences during the 1930s Depression.

Meryl Erwin interview, 1969 January 14. General Oral History Collection (OH 38), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tapes (2 hr., 30 min.) Topics include her life in Dillon; her association with specific community residents; her work as a secretary for Governor Edwin L. Norris; her employment with several Beaverhead County attorneys; the Indian Queen Mine; and early days in Bannack.

Millicent Clarke Interview April 8, 2008. General Oral History Collection (OH 2264), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 cassette tape. 3-page summary. In this interview Ms. Clarke discusses growing up in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, attending Rosie the Riveter School, working on Curtiss P40 Warhawks; employment by General Dynamics in San Diego; moving to Helena in 1978; and hobbies.

Minnie Bourbon Bruce interview, 1983 March 10. General Oral History Collection (OH 594), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 20 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her childhood in the foothills of the Ozark Mountains of Missouri; her experiences teaching in one-room schools in Missouri and Wyoming; and her homesteading, ranching, and oil-leasing interests in Wyoming and Montana.

Mrs. Archie Minde interview, [ca. 1978]. General Oral History Collection (OH 1406), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (35 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include her arrival in Libby in 1924; the town of Libby; the American Lutheran Church in town; Christmas festivities; education; and various Libby residents.

Mrs. Oscar Boeppele interview, [ca. 1978]. General Oral History Collection (OH 1405), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (15 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include her move to Libby; her education; her experiences as a teacher; and family traditions.

Myra Wilson interview, 1990 April 3. General Oral History Collection (OH 1209), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 4-page summary. Topics include her early childhood in Big Creek, Wisconsin; relocating to Montana in 1914; the family homestead near Franklin; the Spanish influenza epidemic of 1918; drought; her husband’s work as a miner in Butte; relocating to Heron; railroad work; poor highway conditions; gardening; rural medical care; the 1930s Depression; and the WPA.

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Nellie Tweet interview, 1982 July 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 555), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (40 min.) 4-page summary. Topics include her childhood in Ireland; her journey alone to Butte in 1927; and her work as a housemaid in the home of James Ryan Gaul on Butte’s fashionable west side.

Norman Winestine and Belle Fligelman Winestine interview, 1979 November 2. General Oral History Collection (OH 630), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 30 min.) 3-page summary. Topics include their early education and careers; the social and civic life of Helena, ca. 1910 to 1930s; the role of prominent Jewish families in community affairs; the newspaperman Will Campbell’s influence; and the effects of the 1930s Depression on Helena. Belle was the daughter of a prominent Helena businessman who later hired Norman to be his store manager. Before her marriage, Belle Fligelman worked as a newspaper reporter and served as secretary to Jeannette Rankin during her first term in Congress. She was a prolific writer of short stories, children’s stories, plays, and poetry, some of which were published. She married Norman Winestine, a scholar of Hebrew and the classics and a trustee and president of the Montana Historical Society. Both Belle and Norman were civic leaders. Belle Winestine died in April 1985.

Olive Ryall Middleton interview, 1983 March 11. General Oral History Collection (OH 599), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (30 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include growing up in North Dakota and in Brooks, Alberta, Canada, ca. 1910-1920; her marriage to Lyall Middleton of Toston in 1924; her career as a telegraph operator for the Northern Pacific Railroad during World War II; and early Toston businesses and residents. Resident of Townsend, Montana.

Olive Sattleen interview, 1984 December 21. General Oral History Collection (OH 897), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 3-page summary. Topics include her childhood at Yantic (now Lohman) during the early 1900s; homesteading; sheep ranching in the Milk River Valley; her children; and living in Chinook.

Pat Boedecker Interview April 13, 2008. General Oral History Collection (OH 2254), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 cassette tape. In this interview, Mrs. Boedecker discusses renovation of Reeder’s Alley; individuals involved in renovation; reaction of spouses; Stonehouse Restaurant; history of Reeder’s Alley; Helena urban renewal; absentee landowners; current use and businesses of Reeder’s Alley; and other Helena businesses.

Pearl Kitto interview, 1983 March 18. General Oral History Collection (OH 598), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (35 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include her grandparents, who homesteaded in the area; her parents’ experiences there; and her life growing up in the Crow Creek Valley near Radersburg.

Pearle Leedy Rhein interview, 1982 October 20. General Oral History Collection (OH 622), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 30 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include her childhood in Helena during the early 1900s; her work with her husband, Leo Rhein, operating the Wolf Creek Hotel in Wolf Creek from 1927 to 1938; and their duties managing the Lewis and Clark County Hospital from 1938 to 1957.

Ray Robbins and Helen Staves interview, 1983. General Oral History Collection (OH 679), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) 6-page summary. Topics include their work in the cherry industry in the Flathead Lake area during the 1930s; the production, picking, and packing of cherries; variable weather; crop losses; the marketing, warehousing, and shipping of cherries; spraying cherry trees; experiences with migrant workers; and the role of the Flathead Cherry Growers Association.

Roxella Wanders interview, 1989 September 30. General Oral History Collection (OH 1205), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 5 min.) 3-page summary. Topics include her family; her early life in Illinois; World War I; her husband; raising a family; her relocation to Montana; and the 1930s Depression.

Susan Dockett Ragen interview, 1983 February 2. General Oral History Collection (OH 602), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr.) 2-page summary. Topics include growing up in the region; her early married years; working summers at her aunt Ida Lyng’s boardinghouses in Radersburg and in Hassel; and her involvement in community theater. She was a lifelong resident of Townsend.

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Terri Atwood interview, 1992 January 5. General Oral History Collection (OH 1267), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (2 hr.) Topics include her service in the U.S. Air Force and her experiences in the Montana National Guard.

Vanette Nagamori interview, 1999 February 6. General Oral History Collection (OH 1800), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 5 min.) Nagamori discusses her early life in Great Falls; involvement in Parents Without Partners in Great Falls; marriage to Henry Nagamori; life as a farm wife in the Fort Benton area; her husband’s involvement with Kellogg Extension Education Program (KEEP) and Montana Leadership Development Association (MLDA); joining MLDA after marriage; mental and social stimulation provided by MLDA; involvement with local Farmer’s Union; Eastern Star activities; and difficulties faced by her family as hog farmers.

Vera Hazemann interview, 1999 July 13. General Oral History Collection (OH 1817), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. Hazemann provides details on life in the Fort Peck Dam area; family pie shop known as “Mother’s Pies”; living in tents; the area night life; getting provisions for the shop and her family; raising her children; moving to Thompson Falls in 1936; her husband’s work for the WPA and later for the Montana Power Company; and her own work as a librarian from 1947 through the 1980s.

Vera Hazemann interview, 1998 July 14. General Oral History Collection (OH 1816), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. Hazemann discusses experiences as a young girl on a homestead near Jordan, Montana from 1915 to 1920; difficulties experienced by her mother working a homestead alone (her father lived and worked in Miles City); married life on her husband’s homestead near Jordan; attending area dances and picnics; leaving Montana due to the Depression; working on a dairy farm in Minnesota; the births of her children; moving to Wheeler/Fort Peck area with her husband and in-laws to start a pie shop; and living conditions in Wheeler.

Yeva Marks Smith interview, [ca. 1960]. General Oral History Collection (OH 1557), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (27 min.) Topics include her childhood in Townsend from the 1880s to 1900. Daughter of Townsend businessman James Rufus Marks and wife of Dr. Charles W. Smith.

Virginia Beaulieu interview, [ca. 1978]. General Oral History Collection (OH 1573), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (25 min.) 1-page summary. Topics include the history of the Libby area.

Virginia Walton and Rita McDonald interview, 1980 August 14. General Oral History Collection (OH 624), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr.) 2-page summary. Topics include their work as librarians at the Montana Historical Society Library in Helena during the 1950s; the move from the State Capitol basement to the new Veterans and Pioneers Building; the pivotal work of Elizabeth McDonald and Anne McDonnell in modernizing the operations of the library; and K. Ross Toole’s term as historical society director.

Vivian Paladin interview, 1999 February 25. General Oral History Collection (OH 1792), Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes. Paladin, former editor of Montana: The Magazine of Western History, gives more details about her childhood and family life; experiences during the Depression and moving to Glasgow as a teenager; entering the Linotype profession, which was dominated by men; her courtship and marriage to Jack Paladin; experiences during World War II; her work and life in Havre; work with K. Ross Toole; work as a magazine editor; and relationships built and maintained as a result of her work at the Montana Historical Society.

Wallace Turman and Juanita Turman interview, 1983 March 11. General Oral History Collection (OH 601), Montana Historical Society Archives. 1 audio tape (1 hr., 30 min.) 2-page summary. Topics include Wallace Turman’s childhood in the Crow Creek Valley, west of Townsend; his schooling; and his work as a miner, horse breeder, and rancher. Juanita Turman describes growing up in Edgar, and teaching school before her marriage to Wallace.
Wellington D. Rankin interview, [undated]. General Oral History Collection (OH 1665). Montana Historical Society Archives. 2 audio tapes (1 hr., 35 min.) Topics include Jeannette Rankin’s campaign for Congress in 1916; her reasons for running, primarily suffrage; difficulties of the campaign; her campaign capabilities; his work as campaign manager; work of their sisters Mary, Edna, and Grace on the campaign; union votes; poor press coverage; the Bull Moose Party and Theodore Roosevelt; the Anaconda Copper Mining Company; World War I and why he disagreed with her vote against the war; her failed reelection attempt in 1918; her strong sense of conviction; and their mother and father. Montana rancher, attorney general, and brother of Jeannette Rankin.