

Guide to the Nanyu Tomiyasu oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
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Creator:	Tomiyasu, Nanyu, 1918-2002
Title:	Nanyu Tomiyasu oral history interview
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Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Nanyu Tomiyasu conducted by Andrew Russell on March 22, 1987. In this interview, Tomiyasu discusses his father's large-scale commercial farm in Las Vegas, Nevada and the amount of produce the farm produced through the 1920s. He expands on the impact of the 1922 railroad strike, particularly in regard to the Japanese population in the city. He recounts the general lack of discrimination and segregation against Japanese residents in Las Vegas, how Japanese families integrated with the community and how they maintained their cultural traditions. Later, he begins to discuss the impact of World War II on Japanese in the people living in the western states, Las Vegas' response to its Japanese residents, and how relocation and internment impacted families.

Preferred Citation

Nanyu Tomiyasu oral history interview, 1987 March 22. OH-00743. [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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Acquisition Note

This interview was conducted by Andrew Russell and donated to the UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 1987.

Processing Note

The audio cassette tape has not been reformatted. Melise Leech wrote the collection description based on a written summary of the interview.

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- Japanese Americans
- Japanese Americans -- Evacuation and relocation, 1942-1945
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