

## **Guide to the Maude Frazier Professional Papers**

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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>	Frazier, Maude, 1881-1963
<b>Title:</b>	Maude Frazier Professional Papers
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00050
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1955-1962
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.03 Cubic Feet (3 folders (1 shared box) and 1 flat file)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.16 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Maude Frazier Professional Papers (1955-1962) contain programs honoring Frazier, a University of Nevada, Reno commencement program, and a groundbreaking ceremony for the Nevada Southern Second Building. Also included are awards of appreciation and certificates for her dedicated service to the Las Vegas, Nevada community. The materials focus on her later career with the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

### Preferred Citation Note

Maude Frazier Professional Papers, 1955-1962. MS-00050. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Biographical Note

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Maude Frazier was born on April 4, 1881 in Wisconsin, where she was educated as a teacher. After moving to Nevada, she taught in schools throughout the state and in 1921 she was appointed Deputy State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Superintendent of Public Education. In 1927 she became the superintendent of the Las Vegas Union School District, and principal of Las Vegas High School where she continued serving until her retirement in 1947. In 1950 she was elected to the state legislature and appointed to the Education Committee. Frazier was instrumental in appropriating funds to establish the Nevada Southern University as a satellite campus of the University of Nevada, Reno. The first building on the new campus (now University of Nevada, Las Vegas) was named in her honor. In 1955 she received an honorary doctorate of letters from the University of Nevada, Reno. On July 13, 1962, at the age of 81, Frazier was appointed Lieutenant Governor of the state of Nevada to replace Rex Bell, who had died in office. This was

the highest political position ever occupied by a woman in the state. Maude Frazier passed away on June 20, 1963.

Source:

"Maude Frazier," Nevada Women's History Project, accessed July 23, 2018, <http://www.nevadawomen.org/research-center/biographies-alphabetical/maude-frazier/>

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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## Administrative Information

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## Acquisition Note

Materials were donated by Dr. William Carlson; accession number Mss x30.

## Processing Note

In 2018, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Joyce Moore revised the collection description and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- Politics and government
- Nevada -- Politics and government
- Frazier, Maude, 1881-1963
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas -- History

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Programs honoring Maude Frazier, 56th Commencement at University of Nevada, Reno, and a ground-breaking ceremony, 1955-1958	box SH-002
Certificates and awards for community service, 1955-1962	box SH-002
1958 Epilogue (Nevada Southern University)	box SH-002
Outstanding Business Woman's Award from the Soroptimist Club of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1951 October 17	flat file 01