



Guide to the Florence Lee Jones and John Cahlan Papers

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Summary Information

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| Repository: | University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives. |
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| Creator: | Jones, Florence Lee, 1910-1985 |
| Title: | Florence Lee Jones and John Cahlan Papers |
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| Physical Description: | 15.79 Linear Feet |
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| Abstract: | The Florence Lee Jones and John Cahlan Papers (1929-1983) contain material created by the couple related to their work at the <i>Las Vegas Review-Journal</i> , their interest in the history of Las Vegas, Nevada, and the promotion of Southern Nevada for business and industry. The collection includes the Cahlan's correspondence as well as newspaper clippings about Las Vegas. It also contains drafts and manuscripts for their book, <i>Water: a History of Las Vegas</i> , commissioned by the Las Vegas Valley Water District. |

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Biographical Note

Florence Lee Jones

Florence Lee Jones worked at the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* and was widely respected for her detailed reporting. In addition to her full-time work at the paper, she volunteered with several community groups in Las Vegas, Nevada. She was born in Missouri in 1910 and graduated with a degree in journalism from the University of Missouri in 1933. She then moved to Las Vegas, Nevada where her parents had relocated and opened a service station near Hoover Dam.

The *Las Vegas Review-Journal* hired Florence Lee Jones as the only full-time reporter at the paper. She later married the editor of the paper, John Cahlan, but continued to use her maiden name as her byline. She

became involved in building the community of Las Vegas and helped started the Service League for women, now known as the Junior League. She also had an active role in the Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees). After some health problems, she retired from the *Review-Journal* in 1953, but continued to write occasional columns and articles for the paper. She later wrote a regular society column for the paper. Her writings often focused on the history of Las Vegas and she documented the stories of many of the city's earliest residents.

The Las Vegas Valley Water District commissioned Jones and Cahlan to write a history of Las Vegas and in 1976, they completed *Water: A History of Las Vegas*. Her commitment to the history of Las Vegas led to her appointment as the first woman on the Nevada State Museum Board of Trustees. She donated the couple's records to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Special Collections and Archives and to the Nevada State Museum and Historical Society. The Historical Society honored Jones and Cahlan and named the reading room after the couple. She passed away from cancer in 1985.

John Cahlan

John Francis Cahlan, a native Nevadan, worked as the editor of the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. He also worked to support education and preserve Nevada history, advocating for the establishment of the Nevada State Archives. He was born in Reno, Nevada in 1902, and attended the University of Nevada, earning a degree in journalism in 1926, and worked for the *Nevada State Journal*.

He moved to Las Vegas in 1929 to work at the *Review-Journal*, co-owned by his brother A.E. Cahlan. In addition to his work at the paper, he also served as a Clark County juvenile officer, as a Regent for the Nevada Higher Education System, and was active in community groups. After leaving the *Review-Journal*, he served as the managing director of the Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation. He worked to preserve Las Vegas and Nevada history and helped push through legislation to create the Nevada Division of Records and Archives. He passed away in 1987.

Sources:

Glass, Mary Ellen. *John F. Cahlan: Reminiscences of a Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada, Newspaperman, University Regent, and Public-Spirited Citizen*. UNOHP Catalog #035. 1970. <https://contentdm.library.unr.edu/cdm/ref/collection/unoHP/id/446>.

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Hopkins, A.D. "Florence Lee Jones," *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. 07 February 1999. <https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/florence-lee-jones/>.

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Scope and Contents Note

The Florence Lee Jones and John Cahlan Papers (1929-1983) contain material created by the couple related to their work at the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, their interest in the history of Las Vegas, Nevada,

and the promotion of Southern Nevada for business and industry. The collection includes the Cahlan's correspondence as well as newspaper clippings about Las Vegas. It includes materials from the Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation's proposal for a high-speed train connecting Las Vegas and Los Angeles, California. Other materials document the founding and early work of the Service League (now Junior League). The collection also includes correspondence and invitations received by the Cahlans documenting Las Vegas social and political events during the period. They also collected extensive newspaper clippings and obituaries about prominent Las Vegas. Other items in the collection highlight their passion for preservation and history and work with the Nevada State Museum and John Cahlan's role in the creation of the Nevada State Archives. It also contains drafts and manuscripts for their book, *Water: a History of Las Vegas*, commissioned by the Las Vegas Valley Water District.

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Arrangement

The collection is divided into four series:

Series I. Personal, 1941-1983;

Series II. Community Interests, 1945-1981;

Series III. Articles and Manuscripts, 1929-1980;

Series IV. Water Resources, 1942-1978.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in several accessions beginning in 1978 by Florence Lee Jones Cahlan; accession number T128.

Processing Note

Collection was processed in 1997 by Carol A. Corbett. In 2016 and 2017, Joyce Moore revised and enhanced the collection. In 2018 Angela Moor further revised the collection description to bring it up to current professional standards.

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Related Materials

Separated Materials

Some of the photographs in this acquisition were removed from the collection and placed in Florence Lee Jones Cahlan Photographs, 1909-1918. PH-00045. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada

Related Collections

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

A. E. Cahlan Las Vegas Review-Journal Columns, 1930-1968. MS-00143. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cahlan, Florence Lee Jones. Interview, February 10, 1973. OH-00148. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cahlan, John Francis. Interview, 1975. OH-00153. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cahlan, John Francis. Interview, February 18, 1975. OH-00149. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Cahlan, John Francis. Interview, March 3, 1977. OH-00150. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cahlan, John Francis. Interview, April 10, 1978. OH-00151. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cahlan, John Francis. Interview, February 27, 1980. OH-00152. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Papers of John F. and Florence Lee Jones Cahlan, 1940s-1970s. MS-015. Cahlan Research Library, Nevada State Museum Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Journalists -- Nevada -- Las Vegas -- Biography
- Water resources development -- Nevada
- Las Vegas (Nev.) – Community affairs
- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- History
- Las Vegas Review-Journal
- Junior League of Las Vegas (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Collection Inventory

Series I. Personal, 1941-1982

Physical Description: 2.30 Cubic Feet (5 boxes)

Physical Description: 2.08 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Personal Series (1941-1982) contains newspaper clippings, programs, booklets, and notes on a variety of subjects. It also includes speeches and correspondence by John Cahlan and Florence Cahlan, as well as invitations received by the Cahlans from associates and friends.

Arrangement: Material is arranged by subject.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|--|------------|-----------|
| American History: Knotts Berry Farm Independence Hall booklet, 1971 | box 1 | folder 1 |
| Florence Lee Jones appointment books with her notes, 1979, 1980 | box 1 | folder 2 |
| John F. Cahlan biographies and Cahlan family history, 1965-1967 | box 1 | folder 3 |
| Booklets: southern Nevada, atomic testing and fallout, juvenile issues, 1949-1960 | box 1 | folder 4 |
| Newspaper clippings: Las Vegas Sun local history, 1964-1969 | box 1 | folder 5 |
| Newspaper clippings, 1965-1982 | box 1 | folder 6 |
| Correspondence: Florence Lee Jones Cahlan, 1952-1981 | box 1 | folder 7 |
| Correspondence: John Cahlan, 1966-1982 | box 1 | folder 8 |
| Spring Fashion Show sponsored by Las Vegas Review-Journal and Southern Branch Home Economics Association, 1950 | box 1 | folder 9 |
| Notes on juvenile issues by Florence Lee Jones, 1960 | box 1 | folder 10 |
| Kennecott Copper Corporation, White Pine County, 1960-1961 | box 2 | folder 1 |
| Memorial cards and obituaries, 1960-1981 | box 2 | folder 2 |

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| Booklets and materials: topics include Nevada history and politics, children's nutrition, 1953-1980 | box 2 | folder 3 |
| Miscellaneous governmental receipts and forms, 1941-1953 | box 2 | folder 4 |
| Political brochures, 1964-1981 | box 2 | folder 5 |
| Ration books, 1943-1945 | box 2 | folder 6 |
| Southwestern Radiological Health Laboratory, 1966 | box 2 | folder 7 |
| Speeches by John Cahlan, 1958-1965 | box 2 | folder 8 |
| Travel brochures, maps, and notes, 1947-1976 | box 2 | folder 9 |
| "Zelzah News," Las Vegas, 1982 | box 2 | folder 10 |
| Invitations received by Cahlans, 1955-1969 | box 3 | folder 1 |
| Invitations received by Cahlans, 1971-1973 | box 3 | folder 2 |
| Christmas cards received by Cahlans, 1972-1973 | box 3 | folder 3 |
| Christmas cards received by Cahlans, 1972-1973 | box 4 | folder 1 |
| Cards and invitations received by Cahlans, 1974-1979 | box 4 | folder 2 |
| Cards and invitations received by Cahlans, 1980-1981 | box 4 | folder 3 |
| Cards and invitations received by Cahlans, 1982 | box 5 | folder 1-2 |
| Cards and invitations received by Cahlans, undated | box 5 | folder 3 |

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Series 2. Community Interests, 1945-1981

Physical Description: 5.06 Cubic Feet (11 boxes)

Physical Description: 4.58 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Community Interests Series consists of seven sub-series, reflecting the Cahlan's many activities in the community.

Arrangement: Material in each subseries is arranged alphabetically.

Subseries 2.1 Air and Flight, 1955-1981

Physical Description: 0.46 Cubic Feet (1 box)

Physical Description: 0.42 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Air and flight subseries (1955-1981) contains brochures, programs, and guides, including the Flight Exposition and Convention at Nellis Air Force Base.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|--|------------|----------|
| Flight Exposition and Conventions, 1959-1968 | box 6 | folder 1 |

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| Nellis Air Force Base, events, 1955-1981, undated | box 6 | folder 2 |
| Nellis Air Force Base, guides, 1968, 1973 | box 6 | folder 3 |
| Space Exploration Booklets, 1962-1970, undated | box 6 | folder 4 |
| U.S. Air Force, articles and booklets, 1964, 1976, undated | box 6 | folder 5 |
| 82nd Airborne Division Comes Home Press Kit, includes 4 black-and-white photographs, 1945 | box 6 | folder 6 |

Subseries 2.2 Nevada American Revolution Bicentennial Commission (NARBC), 1952, 1970-1978

Physical Description: 0.46 Cubic Feet (1 box)

Physical Description: 0.42 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Nevada American Revolution Bicentennial Commission (NARBC) sub-series (1952, 1970-1978) contains correspondence, minutes, court documents, newspaper clippings, and press releases. As Chairman of the Nevada American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, John Cahlan oversaw the administration of the celebration in Nevada.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|---|-------------------|-----------|
| Nevada Bicentennial Book, undated | box 7 | folder 1 |
| Nevada Bicentennial Project Proposal, Allen and Sweikert, undated | box 7 | folder 2 |
| NARBC Bylaws, 1972 | box 7 | folder 3 |
| Style Book of the Commercial Appeal newspaper, Memphis, Tennessee, 1952 | box 7 | folder 4 |
| NARBC correspondence, 1972-1976 | box 7 | folder 5 |
| NARBC correspondence, 1977-1978 | box 7 | folder 6 |
| Kyle Ranch Dedication program, 1976 July 04 | box 7 | folder 7 |
| NARBC Minute Book, 1970-1975 | box 7 | folder 8 |
| NARBC minutes, 1972-1977 | box 7 | folder 9 |
| NARBC materials, 1970-1977 | box 7 | folder 10 |
| NARBC v. Elgas and Paher, 1975-1977 | box 7 | folder 11 |
| NARBC newspaper clippings, 1976-1978 | box 7 | folder 12 |
| NARBC press releases, 1974-1977 | box 7 | folder 13 |

Subseries 2.3 High Speed Train Transportation, 1966-1980

Physical Description: 0.46 Cubic Feet (1 box)

Physical Description: 0.42 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: High speed train transportation sub-series (1966-1980) contains correspondence, press releases, speeches, and presentations related to the Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation's interest in the project. John F. Cahlan served as Managing Director of the Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation during the period.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|--|-------------------|----------|
| Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation correspondence: high speed train project, 1969 | box 8 | folder 1 |
| Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation correspondence: high speed train project, 1970 | box 8 | folder 2 |
| Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation high speed train project materials, 1966-1970 | box 8 | folder 3 |
| Newspaper clippings: transportation, 1966-1970 | box 8 | folder 4 |
| High speed train project: press releases, 1969-1970 | box 8 | folder 5 |
| High speed train speeches and presentations, 1970, undated | box 8 | folder 6 |

Subseries 2.4 Las Vegas Diamond Jubilee (LVDJ), 1978-1981

Physical Description: 0.92 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)

Physical Description: 0.83 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Las Vegas Diamond Jubilee sub-series (1978-1981) contains minutes, correspondence, events, newspaper clippings, press releases, and publications related to the celebration in honor of the 75th anniversary of the auction of lots by the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad that led to the founding of the City of Las Vegas. John F. Cahlan served as director for the committee that organized celebrations for the Diamond Jubilee.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|---|-------------------|----------|
| LVDJ committee assignments and minutes, 1980 | box 9 | folder 1 |
| LVDJ correspondence, 1978-1979 | box 9 | folder 2 |
| LVDJ correspondence, 1980 | box 9 | folder 3 |
| Sample Las Vegas High School and UNLV diploma with diamond jubilee logo, 1980 | box 9 | folder 4 |
| Clark County Council of Delta Kappa Gamma: retired educators of Clark County research; lists of long-term teachers in Las Vegas, 1980 | box 9 | folder 5 |
| LVDJ events, 1980-1981 | box 9 | folder 6 |
| LVDJ historic markers, 1980 | box 9 | folder 7 |
| LVDJ logos, 1980 | box 9 | folder 8 |
| Agendas and minutes from other organizations related to LVDJ, 1979-1980 | box 9 | folder 9 |
| LVDJ notes, undated | box 10 | folder 1 |
| LVDJ newspaper clippings, 1979-1980 | box 10 | folder 2 |
| LVDJ newspaper supplements, 1980 | box 10 | folder 3 |
| Photograph of Union Pacific Railroad LVDJ exhibit, undated | box 10 | folder 4 |
| LVDJ press releases and articles, undated | | |

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| | box 10 | folder 5 |
| LVDJ planning materials: progress reports, chronologies, and calendars, 1979-1980 | box 10 | folder 6 |
| LVDJ publications, 1980 | box 10 | folder 7 |
| LVDJ sticker seals, undated | box 10 | folder 8 |

Subseries 2.5 Community Organizations and Events, 1951-1981

Physical Description: 0.92 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)

Physical Description: 0.83 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The community organizations and events sub-series (1951-1981) contains materials from organizations and events in which the Cahlans were involved or attended. It includes material from the Boy Scouts, Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Nevada State Archives, Rotary Club, and political organizations.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|--|------------|-----------|
| Boulder Dam Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1955-1981 | box 11 | folder 1 |
| Bureau of Indian Affairs, correspondence, fact sheets, and newspaper clippings, 1961-1965 | box 11 | folder 2 |
| Clark County School District, 1965-1981 | box 11 | folder 3 |
| Democratic National Committee, 1960, 1964, 1968 | box 11 | folder 4 |
| Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, 1959-1972, undated | box 11 | folder 5 |
| Las Vegas Convention Center, 1959-1968 | box 11 | folder 6 |
| Miscellaneous church, social, and entertainment events, 1951-1981, undated | box 11 | folder 7 |
| Miscellaneous newsclippings, 1966, 1979 | box 11 | folder 8 |
| National Press Club, Constitution and By-laws, 1955 | box 11 | folder 9 |
| Nevada Centennial, 1964 | box 11 | folder 10 |
| Nevada Inaugural Balls, 1959, 1967 | box 11 | folder 11 |
| Nevada State Archives, 1965-1980 | box 11 | folder 12 |
| Nevada State Children's Home: Report of a Population Study, 1959 | box 11 | folder 13 |
| Nevada State Political Conventions: Republican Convention program, Democratic convention notes by Florence Lee Jones, 1960 | box 11 | folder 14 |
| Rotary Club, Las Vegas, programs, newsletter, history, 1965-1980 | box 12 | folder 1 |
| Rotary Club, Las Vegas Roster, 1964-1965 | box 12 | folder 2 |
| Rotary Club, Las Vegas Rosters, 1965-1966, 1966-1967, 1967-1968 | box 12 | folder 3 |
| Rotary Club, Las Vegas, Paradise, Charter Presentation Program, 1975 | box 12 | folder 4 |
| Social Service Directories, 1951, 1955-1956, 1963-1965 | box 12 | folder 5 |
| Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation, 1971 | box 12 | folder 6 |

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| University of Nevada, 1964-1969, undated | box 12 | folder 7 |
| Western Air Lines, Fiftieth Anniversary articles, 1976 | box 12 | folder 8 |
| World Export Trade Center, 1980, undated | box 12 | folder 9 |

Subseries 2.6 Nevada State Museum, 1969-1979

Physical Description: 0.92 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)

Physical Description: 0.83 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Nevada State Museum sub-series (1969-1979) contains agendas, minutes, correspondence, financial records, newsletters, and press releases of the museum.

Arrangement: Material in arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|---|-------------------|-----------|
| Board of Trustees, agendas and minutes, 1972-1974 | box 13 | folder 1 |
| Board of Trustees, agendas and minutes, 1975-1977 | box 13 | folder 2 |
| Board of Trustees, packet, 1976 May 31 | box 13 | folder 3 |
| Board of Trustees, packet, 1976 October 15 | box 13 | folder 4 |
| Correspondence, 1972-1977, undated | box 13 | folder 5 |
| Docent Program, 1971-1978, undated | box 13 | folder 6 |
| Equipment catalogs, undated | box 13 | folder 7 |
| Financial records, 1970-1975 | box 13 | folder 8 |
| Financial records, 1975-1979 | box 14 | folder 1 |
| Membership meeting agendas and minutes, 1973-1976 | box 14 | folder 2 |
| Miscellaneous, 1969-1978 | box 14 | folder 3 |
| Newspaper clippings, 1971-1977 | box 14 | folder 4 |
| Newsletters, Nevada Museum Associations, 1976 | box 14 | folder 5 |
| Newsletters, Nevada State Museum, 1972-1977 | box 14 | folder 6 |
| Newsletters, Southern Nevada Historical Society, 1972-1974 | box 14 | folder 7 |
| Newsletters, Southern Nevada Museum, 1972-1974 | box 14 | folder 8 |
| Press releases, 1973-1978, undated | box 14 | folder 9 |
| Tule Springs Park Map, 1976 | box 14 | folder 10 |
| Western Regional Conference of American Association of Museums, 1975-1976 | box 14 | folder 11 |

Subseries 2.7 Service League/Junior League, 1946-1980

Physical Description: 0.92 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)

Physical Description: 0.83 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents Note: The Service League/Junior League sub-series dates from 1946 to 1980 and contains reports, projects, financial statements, press releases, speeches, programs, correspondence, and member rosters. It includes documents related to the founding of the organization.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Advocacy training, 1978, undated | box 15 | folder 1 |
| Annual reports, 1946-1949 | box 15 | folder 2 |
| Annual reports, 1950-1959 | box 15 | folder 3 |
| Annual reports, 1960-1969 | box 15 | folder 4 |
| Benefit parties, 1958, 1959, 1963, 1964 | box 15 | folder 5 |
| Community Need and Project Surveys, 1957-1959 | box 15 | folder 6 |
| Constitution and By-laws, 1946-1965, undated | box 15 | folder 7 |
| Fantasy Park, 1960-1966 | box 15 | folder 8 |
| Financial statements, 1966-1967 | box 15 | folder 9 |
| Gala preview of the Broadway Las Vegas, 1966 | box 15 | folder 10 |
| History and structure, undated | box 16 | folder 1 |
| Junior League admission, 1958-1968 | box 16 | folder 2 |
| Las Vegas Review Journal: Service League Special Edition Manuscript, 1967 | box 16 | folder 3 |
| Newspaper clippings, 1953-1980, undated | box 16 | folder 4 |
| Procedures, policies, and traditions, 1964 | box 16 | folder 5 |
| Reports, press releases, speeches, programs, correspondence, 1946-1948 | box 16 | folder 6 |
| Reports, press releases, speeches, programs, correspondence, 1950-1959 | box 16 | folder 7 |
| Reports, press releases, speeches, programs, correspondence, 1960-1969 | box 16 | folder 8 |
| Reports, press releases, speeches, programs, correspondence, 1970-1980 | box 16 | folder 9 |
| Reports, press releases, speeches, programs, correspondence, undated | box 16 | folder 10 |
| "Sage Newsletter", 1970-1972, 1978 | box 16 | folder 11 |
| "Service League Memories, " booklet, 1967 | box 16 | folder 12 |
| Trips, 1975, 1979 | box 16 | folder 13 |
| Yearbooks and Member Rosters, 1956-1972 | box 16 | folder 14 |

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Series 3. Articles and Manuscripts, 1929-1980

Physical Description: 6.97 Cubic Feet (7 boxes)

Physical Description: 6.00 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents: The articles and manuscripts series (1929-1980) contains editorials, columns, stories and articles. It includes newspaper clippings as well as typewritten drafts of articles. The Cahlans authored many of the articles, but the series includes articles about ghost towns in Nevada by Don Ashbaugh.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| "The Boiling Pot" column by Chet Sobsey in Las Vegas Review-Journal, 1957-1959 | box 17 | folder 1 |
| "The Boiling Pot", 1960-1961 | box 17 | folder 2 |
| Editorials by A.E. Cahlan and unsigned, 1940-1961, undated | box 17 | folder 3 |
| Editorials and obituaries, most drafted by Florence Lee Jones, 1958-1977 | box 17 | folder 4 |
| Feature stories and miscellaneous stories by John F. Cahlan and Florence Lee Jones, 1930-1980, undated | box 17 | folder 5 |
| Ghost Town articles by Don Ashbaugh, 1956-1963 | box 18 | folder 1-17 |
| Ghost Town articles by Don Ashbaugh, 1958-1962 | box 19 | folder 1-7 |
| Ghost Town Series #2 by Don Ashbaugh, 1960 | box 19 | folder 8 |
| Ghost Town Series #2 by Don Ashbaugh, 1960-1961 | box 19 | folder 9 |
| "It Seems to Us", 1954-1956 | box 20 | folder 1 |
| "It Seems to Us", 1957 | box 19 | folder 2 |
| "It Seems to Us", 1958 | box 19 | folder 3 |
| "It Seems to Us", 1959, undated | box 19 | folder 4 |
| "It Seems to Us", 1960 | box 19 | folder 5 |
| "Punts, Pokes, and Putouts," Sports Columns, 1930-1959, undated | box 19 | folder 6 |
| Scrapbooks: newspaper columns, 1929-1947 | box 21 | |
| "Socially Speaking", 1967 | box 22 | folder 1 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1968 | box 22 | folder 2 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1969 | box 22 | folder 3 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1970 | box 22 | folder 4 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1971 | box 22 | folder 5 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1972 (incomplete) and undated | box 22 | folder 6 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1973 | box 22 | folder 7 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1974 | box 22 | folder 8 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1975 | box 22 | folder 9 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1976 | box 23 | folder 1 |

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| "Socially Speaking", 1977 | box 23 | folder 2 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1978 | box 23 | folder 3 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1979 | box 23 | folder 4 |
| "Socially Speaking", 1980 | box 23 | folder 5 |
| "Sunday Society", 1964 | box 23 | folder 6 |
| "Sunday Society", 1965 | box 23 | folder 7 |
| "Sunday Society", 1966 | box 23 | folder 8 |
| "Sunday Society", 1967 | box 23 | folder 9 |
| "Sunday Society", 1968 | box 23 | folder 10 |
| "Sunday Society", 1969 | box 23 | folder 11 |
| "Sunday Society", 1970 | box 23 | folder 12 |
| "Sunday Society", 1971 | box 23 | folder 13 |
| "Sunday Society", 1972 | box 23 | folder 14 |
| "Sunday Society", 1973 | box 23 | folder 15 |
| "Sunday Society", 1974 | box 23 | folder 16 |
| "Sunday Society", 1975 | box 23 | folder 17 |
| "Sunday Society", 1976 | box 23 | folder 18 |

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Series 4. Water Resources, 1942-1978

Physical Description: 5.11 Cubic Feet (5 boxes)

Physical Description: 4.21 Linear Feet

Scope and Contents: The Water Resources series (1942-1978) contains reference materials, drafts and proofs of the book *Water - A History of Las Vegas*, commissioned and published by the Las Vegas Valley Water District in 1975. Florence Lee Jones and John F. Cahlan co-wrote the first volume, and she authored the second volume by herself. The series includes research, correspondence, minutes, notes and clippings, and reports.

Arrangement: Material remains in original order.

| Title/Description | Containers | |
|---|------------|----------|
| Activity Report and Minute Book, Las Vegas Valley Water District (LVVWD), 1948-1957 | box 24 | folder 1 |
| Bibliography references, undated | box 24 | folder 2 |
| Newspaper clippings, 1973 | box 24 | folder 3 |
| Las Vegas Land and Water (LVL and W), research, 1973 | box 24 | folder 4 |
| Minutes and scrapbook, reference notes, 1959-1972 | box 24 | folder 5 |

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|---|--------|-----------|
| Minutes, LVVWD, 1949-1957 | box 24 | folder 6 |
| Minutes, statements, correspondence, LVVWD, 1957 | box 24 | folder 7 |
| Nevada Department of Water and Natural Resources, 1966-1971 | box 24 | folder 8 |
| Newspaper clippings, memos, minutes, LVVWD, 1957-1972 | box 24 | folder 9 |
| Notes, 1942-1957 | box 24 | folder 10 |
| Notes and newspaper clippings, 1948-1978 | box 24 | folder 11 |
| Reports, correspondence, 1948-1968 | box 24 | folder 12 |
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