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Summary Information

Creator: Blood, Leonard, 1897-1962
Title: Leonard Blood Papers
ID: MS-00161
Date [inclusive]: 1888-1962
Date [bulk]: 1930-1950
Physical Description: 1.28 Cubic Feet (1 box and one flat folder)
Physical Description: 2.75 Linear Feet
Language of the Material: English
Abstract: The Leonard Blood Papers consist of Leonard Blood's photographs and personal documents from his work in the United States Navy, Las Vegas Labor Commission, and on the Boulder (Hoover) Dam in Nevada, from 1888 to 1962. The bulk of the papers date between 1930 to 1950. Included are correspondence, telegrams, newspaper clippings, a scrapbook, family photographs, and various ephemera.

Preferred Citation


Biographical Note

District Deputy Labor Commissioner Leonard Blood worked for the Las Vegas Labor Commission, hiring employees for the construction of the Boulder (later renamed Hoover) Dam from 1931 to 1938 in Nevada. Blood, born on November 7, 1897, came to Nevada from Lincoln, Nebraska with his parents, William Blood, a train conductor and his mother, Carrie Blood, a nurse.

During Blood's time as the District Deputy Labor Commissioner, it was his responsibility to hire employees for the construction of the Boulder Dam. By a personal proclamation from President Franklin...
Roosevelt, Blood became the first deputy to implement the Veterans Preference Law, which gave job preference to World War One veterans.

Blood was a navy veteran of World War One and World War Two and worked on the Nellis Air Force base in Las Vegas, Nevada before retirement. He also belonged to the Las Vegas Chapter of Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American League, the Masons, and was a Charter Officer in the Elks Lodge.

Leonard Blood passed away on August 24, 1962, at the age of 65.

Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

Materials remain in original order.

Administrative Information

Access

Collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were a gift of Alfreada R. Blood in 1975; accession number T-74, 1975-348.

Processing Note

Material was processed by Carol Remter in 1987. The finding aid was created by Wendy Halford in 2010. In 2014, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Kayla McDuffie revised and enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards. In 2016 Joyce Moore added content and updated ArchivesSpace.

Related Materials

Related Collections

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


Ray Cutright Photograph Collection, undated. PH-00123. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Controlled Access Headings

- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.) -- History
- Dam construction -- Nevada -- Boulder City -- 1930-1940
- World War, 1939-1945
- Public service employment -- United States -- 1930-1940
- Photographs
- Blood, Leonard, 1897-1962
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Social Security number