



## Guide to the Murl Emery oral history interview

---

This finding aid was created by UNLV Special Collections and Archives staff. This copy was published on March 25, 2026. Please contact [special.collections@unlv.edu](mailto:special.collections@unlv.edu) for questions regarding this collection.

Persistent URL for this finding aid: <http://n2t.net/ark:/62930/f11h5g>

© 2026 The Regents of the University of Nevada. All rights reserved.

**University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special  
Collections and Archives.**

Box 457010

4505 S. Maryland Parkway

Las Vegas, Nevada 89154-7010

[special.collections@unlv.edu](mailto:special.collections@unlv.edu)

---

## Table of Contents

---

Summary Information .....	3
Scope and Contents Note .....	3
Administrative Information .....	4
Names and Subjects .....	4
Physical Access Note .....	5

---

## Summary Information

---

<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Emery, Murl, 1903-1981
<b>Contributor:</b>	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
<b>Title:</b>	Murl Emery oral history interview
<b>ID:</b>	OH-00539
<b>Date:</b>	1976 March 26
<b>Date:</b>	1976 April 02
<b>Physical Description:</b>	6 Digital Files (0.137 GB) MP3, PDF/A, JPG
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Murl Emery conducted by R. C. Turner on March 26, 1976 and April 02, 1976 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. This interview covers early life and schooling in Nevada, and boating along the Colorado River.

### Preferred Citation

Murl Emery oral history interview, 1976 March 26, 1976 April 02. OH-00539. [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.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## Scope and Contents Note

---

Oral history interview with Murl Emery conducted by R. C. Turner on March 26, 1976 and April 02, 1976 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. This interview covers early life and schooling in Nevada, and boating along the Colorado River. Digital audio, transcript, and photograph available.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

## Administrative Information

---

### Access Note

Collection is open for research. The materials in this interview are "not to be used for publication or remuneration" without permission of narrator or heirs, which is written on the use agreement.

### Publication Rights

Materials in this collection may be protected by copyrights and other rights. See [Reproductions and Use](#) on the UNLV Special Collections and Archives website for more information about reproductions and permissions to publish. Some transcripts do not exist in final form, therefore any editing marks in a transcript (deletions, additions, corrections) are to be quoted as marked. The materials in this interview are "not to be used for publication or remuneration" without permission of narrator or heirs, which is written on the use agreement.

### Acquisition Note

University of Nevada, Las Vegas History Professor Ralph Roske donated materials for this oral history project to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in the 1980s.

### Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Nia Banks wrote the collection description. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by an external vendor into a digital format. MP3 files of the audio are available for research use. This interview was transcribed and edited by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives as part of an ongoing effort to transcribe legacy interviews. This interview transcript received minimal editing and all measures have been taken to preserve the style and language of the narrator. The interviewee/narrator was not involved in the editing process. A digital version (PDF) of the transcript is available for research use.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## Names and Subjects

---

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Families
- Colorado River (Colo.-Mexico)
- Nelson (Nev.)

---

## Physical Access Note

---

The second half of the audio sounds garbled in quality and is unlistenable.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)