

Minority Aging Project Collection (S0492)

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Collection Title: Minority Aging Project Collection

Dates: 1987-1990

Creator: Wallace, Steven

Abstract: The Minority Aging Project Collection contains 45 interviews with elderly African Americans conducted by students enrolled in assistant professor Steven Wallace's Sociology 470 class on gerontology. Topics of interest include racial discrimination, the Great Depression, family life, and working conditions. The collection contains cassette tapes, transcripts, and summaries of the interviews.

Collection Size: 2 cubic feet

(45 audio cassettes)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at <u>The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-St. Louis</u>. If you would like more information, please contact us at <u>stlouis@shsmo.org</u>. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

From 1987 to 1990 Assistant Professor Stephen Wallace taught Sociology 470, a college class studying gerontology. Wallace assigned the students to interview elderly African American relatives or acquaintances from St. Louis and the surrounding area. Students recorded the interviews on audio tapes. Some students transcribed the tape, others provided a summary. The interviews provide a glimpse into life during the Great Depression, the Civil Rights movement, and early twentieth century family life.

Arrangement:

Box 1 of the collection has been arranged chronologically by interview year and alphabetically by subject name. Box 2 does not appear to be arranged in any particular order.

Scope and Content Note:

The Minority Aging Project Collection includes microcassettes, cassettes, transcripts and summaries of oral history interviews produced by students enrolled in Assistant Professor Steven Wallace's Sociology 470 course during the 1987 to 1990 school years. Each interview was recorded on an audio tape. Some were transcribed, while others were summarized. Each interview subject signed oral history consent forms which are included in the folder with the tape and transcripts or summaries.

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