

Gerard J. Pesman Papers, 1989-1995

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Pesman, Gerard J., 1906-2000
Title	Gerard J. Pesman Papers
Dates	1989-1995 1989 1995
Quantity	4 items
Collection Number	Collection 2217, MtBC, us (collection)
Summary	The Gerard J. Pesman Papers consist of photocopies of original unpublished manuscripts of accounts about the Yellowstone National Park's tourist bus operations and a photocopied transcription of an oral history.
Repository	Montana State University Library, Merrill G. Burlingame Special Collections Montana State University-Bozeman Library Merrill G Burlingame Special Collections P.O. Box 173320 Bozeman, MT 59717-3320 Telephone: 406-994-4242 Fax: 406-994-2851 https://www.lib.montana.edu/archives/contact-form/
Access Restrictions	Copyright for "Yellowstone's Transition from Stagecoaches to Yellow Buses" by Gerard J. and Helen I. Pesman remains with Gerard J. Pesman as of April 26, 1995.
Languages	English
Sponsor	Funding for encoding this finding aid was provided by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities

Biographical Note

Gerard J. Pesman was born April 23, 1906 in Colorado. He was raised on the Huntley Irrigation Project east of Billings, Montana. From 1926 to 1941, while he was a student and later an instructor and mechanical engineering researcher at Montana State University, he spent the summers as a tour bus driver in Yellowstone National Park. After World War II, he worked for the Federal government in aeronautics and retired from NASA in 1968. After retirement, he again spent his summers driving buses in Yellowstone Park until 1978. He wrote several stories about the history and operations of the "Yellow Buses" in Yellowstone Park. He also participated in an oral history interview about his childhood in Ballantine, Montana, his years at Montana State University and recollections of driving in Yellowstone Park. Mr. Pesman died on Oct 16, 2000.

Content Description

The Pesman papers consist of four folders: three containing photocopied of original unpublished manuscripts of accounts about the Yellowstone National Park's tourist bus operations and one with a photocopied transcription of an oral history.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Oral history transcripts, photocopied essays and reminiscences created by Gerard J. Pesman were donated to Montana State University by him in several installments between 1989 and 1995.

Processing Note

This collection was processed 2010 April 12

Detailed Description of the Collection

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Folder		
1	"Geysers and Gears" by Gerard J. Pesman	1981
2	"The "Yellow Bus" Transportation System" by Gerard J. Pesman	1987
3	"Yellowstone's Transition from Stagecoaches to "Yellow Buses"" by Gerard J. and Helen I. Pesman	
4	Transcription of Montana Historical Society Oral History (# OH 1167)	taped June 19, 1989

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Coaching (Transportation)-Yellowstone National Park-History

Personal Names :

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Pesman, Gerard J

Corporate Names :

Yellowstone Park Transportation Company

Geographical Names :

Yellowstone National Park-Biography

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