

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Parsons, Bob

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LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Roswell, New Mexico

INTERVIEWER: David Marshall

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Bob Parsons talks about growing up in Fort Sumner, New Mexico and recalls his participation in World War II.

ABSTRACT:

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TIME STAMP

Background	00:00
Parents' names	
Born near Fort Sumner	
Father's reasons to move to New Mexico	
Information on the July 3, 1908 tornado	
Shelter used by people	
Incidents	
Damages incurred	
Father's contribution	00:12
Proposals	
Anti-saloon views	
His boxing skills	
Information about Louis L'Amour	
Billy the Kid	00:20
Burial site and its location	

Other recollections	
Father's involvement with Carlsbad Irrigation District	
Crops irrigated at Fort Sumner	
Life at Fort Sumner	00:30
Crime	
Childhood	
Indian pottery	
Indian history and other artifacts	
Indian artifacts (continued)	00:40
Whistle	
Interest in history	
Education	
World War II	00:50
Friends	
Trip to Chicago, Illinois	
Thoughts about his participation	
Pacific war recollections	
Battle wounds	
Medical attention he received	
Postwar effects	01:00
Complications pertaining to war wounds	
Recollections of the corpses	
Memories of his Half-brother	
William "Deak" Parsons specialized in artillery	
His contribution towards military technologies	
Author of book <i>Target Hiroshima</i>	
His involvement in the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki	
His personality	
Postwar life	01:12
Completing education	
Working as a teacher	
Meeting his wife	
Talks about his children and grandchildren	
Post-retirement work	
Interview ended	

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT: 1926

GENDER OF INFORMANT:

Male

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT: