

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF CEDAR RAPIDS
ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

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INTERVIEW TOPICS
CEDAR RAPIDS: THE EARLY DECADES OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

I. PERSONAL LEAD-IN QUESTIONS

3. --When were you born? Where?
--How long have you lived in Cedar Rapids?
14. --What are your parents' names?
--Where did you go to school?
--Are you married or single?
--Did you raise a family? How big?
--What has been your occupation (career) during your adult years?

II. COMMUNITY TOPICS

A. Technology in the Community

1. Transportation

- 1,2. --Railway travel (Union Station, trips to Iowa City on Crandic)
--Trolleys (the Interurban)
--Horses and First Automobiles
--Mud roads and the seedling mile
--Hunter Airport and the first planes
--Cedar River (ferries, floods, dams)

2. Communications

- Newspapers
- Radios
- Advertising
- Telephones

B. People in the Community

1. Amusements/Recreation

- Motion Pictures
- 13. --Cedar Rapids Parks
--Dances
--Carnival Week
--Chautauqua
--Community Theater
--Little Gallery
--Symphony Orchestra
--Circus
--Greene's Opera House
--Amusement Parks (Alamo)
--Camps
--Community Centers (YWCA, YMCA)

2. Famous Characters

- Cherry Sisters
- 13. --Grant Wood
--Carl Van Vechten (The Tattooed Countess)
--Marvin Cone

