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Title Interview with Delia V. Griffin

Date 2007 January 12

Primary Maker Delia V. Griffin

Medium digitized audio cassette tape

Description Audio cassette tape of an interview with Delia V. Griffin. She was interviewed on January 12, 2007 by Bruce M. Stave and Sondra Astor Stave at her home in Ellington, Connecticut. Delia Griffin was born in East Hartford, Connecticut. She attended Burnside School and graduated from East Hartford High School in 1936. Her father owned a barbershop on Gold Street in Hartford, and her mother was a housewife. Her first job after high school was a Wise, Smith & Co. wrapping packages. She then worked at Steiger's Department Store as an Assistant Buyer for Adelma Simmons and then as an assistant in the Gift Shop. She worked at Steiger's for ten years. In 1944, during World War II, Delia applied for a job at G. Fox & Co. and was hired as an assistant in the Handkerchiefs & Umbrella Department. She worked at G. Fox for 27 years. She discusses her interactions with Beatrice Fox Auerbach and what her job was like during the 1940s and 1950s. After her boss in the Handkerchiefs Department retired, Delia moved to the Wallet Department. She would travel to New York on buying trips for both departments. She was a member of the Moses Fox Club and discusses her experience with the Club. She discusses her experiences with

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customers and other staff members. She discusses the G. Fox charge plates. She

discusses the changes that occurred after the store was sold to the May

Company. She mentions labor unions and Centinel Hill Hall.

Dimensions Duration: 48 Minutes, 26 Seconds