

Oral History Tape Recording Release

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INTERVIEWEE JAMES E. ORR

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INTERVIEWER Mark Orr

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SIGNATURE OF INTERVIEWEE/DONOR James E. Orr

Interviewee Chronology *James Orr*

- 1938 Birthday
- 1955 Salk's Polio vaccine; friend died from polio
- 1957 Graduated from high school
Civil Rights Act
- 1958 Started two years of college
- 1959 Started job with USDA
- 1960 Voted in first presidential election, for JFK
Civil Rights Act
- 1961 Drafted into Army
- 1963 Sent to Mississippi University riots
Sent to Alabama University riots
JFK assassinated
- 1964 Civil Rights Acts, passed in honor of JFK
- 1965 Voting Rights Act
- 1968 MLK assassinated
- 1969 Appollo II landed first Americans on Moon

HISTORICAL CHRONOLOGY

- 1950 Truman was president (1948)
 - Korean War begins
- 1951 Truman relieved MacArthur of duties
- 1952 Eisenhower elected president
- 1953 End of Korean War
- 1954 U.S. paying 3/4 of French war costs in Vietnam
- 1955 Salk polio vaccine developed
 - James Dean (Rebel Without A Cause)
 - Montgomery bus boycott begins
- 1956 Interstate Hwy. Act
 - Eisenhower reelected
- 1957 Civil Rights Act (1st since Reconstruction)
 - Little Rock desegregation crisis
 - Peak of "baby boom"
- 1958 U.S. Troops sent to Lebanon
 - NASA founded
- 1959 Fidel Castro comes to power in Cuba
- 1960 Second Civil Rights Act
 - JFK elected
- 1961 Berlin Wall erected
- 1962 Cuban missile crisis

- 1963 Civil-rights demonstrations in Birmingham
March on Washington
Kennedy assassinated
Lyndon B. Johnson becomes president
- 1964 "Freedom Summer" in Mississippi
Civil Rights Act
LBJ elected president
- 1965 Bombing of North Vietnam
Americanization of the war begin
Assassination of Malcolm X
Civil-rights march from Selma to Montgomery
Voting Rights Act
- 1966 Black Panthers formed
National Organization for Women founded
- 1967 Massive antiwar demonstrations
Race riots in Newark, Detroit, other cities
March on Pentagon
- 1968 LBJ announces he'll not seek reelection
MLK is assassination; race riots sweep nation
Student take over buildings and strike at Columbia Un.
Robert F. Kennedy assassination
Richard Nixon elected
- 1969 Appollo II lands first Americans on Moon
Nixon begins withdrawal of American troops
Woodstock festival
Lt. William Calley charged with murder of civilians
at My Lia

Trigger Questions

1. What do you remember about the Korean War? Do you remember people that fought in the war? (1950)
2. What was the local reaction to the Montgomery bus boycott? (1955)
3. What was your first thoughts of NASA? (1958)
4. What did people in the community think about the Civil Rights Act of 1960?
5. What was your opinion of JFK when he was elected? (1960)
6. Did you think when the Berlin Wall was erected that it would last so long? Or maybe ever be destroyed? (1961)
7. Where were you and what was the atmosphere when you learned JFK was assassinated? (1963)
8. What is Freedom Summer in Mississippi? (1964)
9. What is your opinion of the Vietnam War? (1965-1972)
10. What did you think about the Appollo II landing Americans on the Moon in 1969?

INTERVIEWEE BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name: James Edward Orr M/F Male

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Approximate age or date of birth: August 12, 1938

Mother's Name: Minnie James Orr

Father's Name: Jess Edward Orr

Places lived and when: Cherokee County, Georgia
1938 until present

Education: high school graduate, 2 years college

Religion: Southern Baptist

Business, political and social memberships (past and present)
member of Cherokee Co. Historical Society.

Present occupation: USDA Inspector

Former occupations: N/A

Special Skills: _____

Major Accomplishments: _____

National Events in which interviewee has participated: Luban missile crisis,
Military Service during Civil Rights Demonstrations

Local Events in which interviewee has participated: _____

National born U.S. citizen? Yes/No

Naturalized Citizen: Yes/No Date: N/A

Country from which he/she emigrated: N/A

Documents, photographs, and artifacts which are in the possession of the interviewee:
N/A

Individuals recommended by the interviewee who might be candidates for an oral history interview: _____

Additional information: _____