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**ABSTRACT:**

The Barbara Harmer collection consists of an audiocassette and transcript of an oral history interview conducted between Harmer and Laura Wicks during the fall of 1987. Harmer began her career in education in 1950. She remained an art education teacher until 1986. In the interview, Harmer discussed the areas of change and continuity that occurred during her career. She noted how society strongly influences adolescents and how these changes affected her role as an educator. Furthermore, she discussed the impact of state regulations, administrative involvement, and the influence of other teachers upon her own style of teaching.

This oral history interview was conducted as a requirement for the graduate level Educational Foundations course entitled History of Education in American Culture at Mankato State University in Mankato, Minnesota.

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**ACQUISITION:**

Barbara Harmer donated this collection in October 1987.

**PROCESSED BY:**

Laura A. Wicks transcribed the interview in November 1987.

Jeff A. Jenson processed the collection and developed the finding aid in November 2002.

**OCLC AND RLIN:**

After checking the OCLC and RLIN national databases in November 2002, it has been determined that there are no similar manuscript collections about Barbara T. Harmer available elsewhere.

**LCSH SUBJECT HEADINGS:**

Harmer, Barbara Thomson, interviewee.

Harmer, Barbara Thomson, Interviews.

Wicks, Laura A., interviewee.

Art teachers--Minnesota--Mankato.

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