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**ABSTRACT:**

The William Lawrence Cofell collection consists of an audiocassette tape, a CD duplicate of the audiocassette, and transcript of an oral history interview conducted between Cofell and Gregory A. Page during the fall of 1989. Cofell had spent his career educating students, 1950-1989. He spent three years in the Melrose, Minnesota school system and the remainder of his career at St. Johns University in Collegeville, Minnesota. In the interview, Cofell briefly discussed his experiences as a high school teacher but focused on his experiences teaching at the university level.

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.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

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**COLLECTION CITATION:**

This collection should be cited as:

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**ACQUISITION:**

William Cofell donated this collection in October 1989.

**PROCESSED BY:**

Archival staff processed this collection.

Gregory A. Page transcribed the interview in December 1989.

Jeff A. Jenson developed the finding aid in November 2002.

Mee Xiong made additions to the collection in June 2017.

**RELATED COLLECTIONS:**

It has been determined that there are similar manuscript collections about William L. Cofell available elsewhere. The Institute for Regional Studies at North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota has a photocopy collection of Cofell's typed articles.

**LCSH SUBJECT HEADINGS:**

Cofell, William L., 1919- interviewee.  
Cofell, William L., 1919---Interviews.  
Page, Gregory A. interviewer.  
Educational change.  
College teachers--Minnesota--St. Johns University.  
High school teachers--Minnesota--Melrose.  
Teachers--Minnesota--Interviews.  
Oral History.

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