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**INDIANA BROADCASTERS
PIONEERS FOUNDATION, INC.
ORAL HISTORY PROJECT COLLECTION, 1994-1997**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 manuscript boxes and 86 audiotapes

COLLECTION 1994-97
DATES:

PROVENANCE: Clio grant awarded by the Indiana Historical Society, 17 August 1994

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RELATED *"In the Public Interest": Oral Histories of Hoosier Broadcasters,*
HOLDINGS: compiled and edited by Linda Weintraut and Jane R. Nolan;
John Warner, assistant editor (Indianapolis: Indiana Historical
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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Indiana Historical Society awarded the Indiana Broadcasters Pioneers Foundation, Inc., of Carmel, Indiana, a Clio grant in the amount of \$25,000 on 17 August 1994. The grant project was named the Indiana Broadcasters Pioneers Foundation, Inc., Oral History Project. Stephen L. Ingram of the Indiana Broadcasters Pioneers Foundation was the project manager and Linda Weintraut and Jane R. Nolan, public historians from the Indianapolis area, were the project's primary researchers.

The purpose of the grant was to assist with interviews of Indiana's early broadcasters and with the preparation of a book-length manuscript on the state's broadcast pioneers. The interviews were conducted between 1994 and 1997, and the book was published as *"In the Public Interest": Oral Histories of Hoosier Broadcasters*, compiled and edited by Linda Weintraut and Jane R. Nolan, with John Warner as assistant editor (Indianapolis: Indiana Historical Society, 1999). The book contains edited excerpts from the interviews; the collection contains the taped interviews and transcriptions in their entirety.

Sources:
Information in the collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains the tapes and transcripts of 26 Indiana pioneer broadcasters, covering topics in Hoosier broadcasting from 1926 to the mid-1990s. It includes 86 audiotapes and 25 transcribed interviews and release forms.

The occupations of the people interviewed ranged from on-the-air personalities to engineers and station owners and managers. At the time of the interviews, they ranged from 46 to 87 years old. Topics include individual radio and television stations, the impact of technology on broadcasting, the concept of the public interest, and the impact of federal regulation. The interviewees were Charles Blake; Barbara Boyd; Amos Brown; Howard Caldwell; Tom Carnegie; Reid Chapman; John Dille III; Bettie Engelbrecht; Richard Fairbanks; William Fall; William Fall, John Glade, and Bob Woerner (interviewed together); Hilliard Gates; Marthabel Geisler; Ann Wagner Harper; Howard

"Tommy" Longworth; Robert McConnell; Don Martin; Harry Martin; Jack Morrow; Bazil O'Hagan; Jim Phillipe; Robert Sievers; E. Berry Smith; Jeff Smulyan; and Lester Spencer.

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