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Mrs. C.M. Comptom, Alice

Length 40 min.

"Women as Homesteaders in Roosevelt County"

Interviewed by Mrs. Jean Burroughs  
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- 008        Approx. 1911: came to Elida, with another young woman, from  
                 Texas, Burnett Texas
- 050        N.M. wouldn't recognize their teachers certificates
- 075        Brought guns in suitcase
- 160        buggy stopped by piled up tumbleweeds
- 290        1913: married C.M. Comptom; a lawyer
- 294        Son Charles born 1914
- 320        C.M. and brother J.C. both came and filed on seperate claims  
                 905 office upstairs, Miliner's store
- 415        C.M.'s law practice with brother were prac in 1911
- 430        has all of her husband's records
- 446        Her husband                was elected district attorney
- 460        She attended first Democratic convention after womens sufferage
- 500        Sam Bratton U.S. Senator
- 550        C.M.'s brother Cleve was was district attorney and on State  
                 Supreme Court - moved to Clovis withe wife Bessie under Miles  
                 district judge

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- 003        Husband was in charge of rationing in Portales durinf WWII
- 073        Husband died approx. 1959
- 080        Hyphew James - Cline's son - always been interested in politics
- 085        Literary Society - Benson Schoolhouse Literary Society Beauty  
                 Contests - Debates
- 160        Feels early N.M. was very civilized - more so than Burnett  
                 County, Texas (near Austin) where she came from.