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- 0-10 Interviewer's introduction. Narrator's introduction. Born in 1928. Arrived in Oregon during the early sixties. His family is from and he was born in Texas. He has always been an American citizen. Spent  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years in the Army. Disabled veteran.
- 10-20 Manual and farm laborer in Texas. Rented farm land. Labels given to people of Spanish or Mexican descent; Latino Americano.
- 20-30 The definition of the word Chicano. Term originated in California. The term "Bracero" defined. Mexicans being contracted to work in the United States.
- 30-40 Families migrated to Michigan to harvest sugar beets. Contracting out acres. Migrants began traveling in search of work during the 1930's, the Great Depression. Migrants are originally from Texas, Southwest United States. Reasons for moving, i.e., high unemployment, Hard Times in Texas, inflation.
- 40-50 Wage of 35¢ a day in Texas picking strawberries to support a large family on. No work for the children. Juveniles getting into trouble on the streets. Other reasons for coming to Oregon. Increased wages in Oregon. During the 1960's the Mexican-Americans started to come to Oregon. Oregon farmer-contractors in Texas.
- 50-60 Travelling to Oregon. Coming to Washington County. Working on a farm in Scholls. Acceptance or lack thereof of migrant families by Oregonians. Beginnings of "Centro Cultural" in about 1970.
- 60-70 The Siegler farm in Scholls. Living three years in migrant camp.

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- 0-10 Centro Cultural. Raising funds for construction costs. Migrant camp conditions.
- 10-20 Camp conditions. Some dirty, garbage-ridden, crowded. Difficulty for the farmers to provide good housing conditions. Cold conditions, lack of heat and insulation. Improvements in the camps.
- 20-30 Migrants harvesting strawberries, pole beans, cucumbers, blackcaps. The coming of mechanized harvesting and disappearance of migrant jobs. Migrants still arriving from Texas.
- 30-40 Farmer-contractors. 32 camps in Washington County in 1964, North Plains, Scholls, Hillsboro, Cornelius, etc. Migrants renting houses in town.
- 40-50 Texan families staying year around. Many migrants go back to Southwest U.S. and Texas. Mexican aliens. Education for migrant children.
- 50-60 Legal and illegal aliens. The formation and function of Centro Cultural
- 60-70 Centro Cultural assisting people with food, shelter, clothing, medical attention. An migrant life leaves the worker with nothing, no insurance, retirement benefits, and physical disabilities. Mr. Garzo's story representative of other migrant workers in Washington County.