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Interviewee: Evelyn Marlene Vernon and Frances Yvonne “Bonnie” Bonnie Vernon Lloyd

Interviewer: Anne Cannon

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Location: Salt Lake City, UT

Summary	
Bonnie and Marlene Vernon discuss their memories of growing up in Wasatch Hollow in the 1940s and 1950s. They speak specifically about their home and yard, neighbors in the area and some of the businesses and schools they attended. They remember Halloween activities and Christmas decorating in their home. They speak about finding escaped prisoners looking in their windows, a polio scare, and remember an earthquake.	

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Time	Brief description
00:00	Introduction to “Bonnie” and Marlene
00:35	Lived at 1433 S 1300 E. Bonnie speaks of living with grandmother, Mary Iverson, in home (Image 1). Mother, Evelyn Iverson Vernon, was very involved with civic responsibilities. Many visitors came to see her grandmother at the house. Grandfather Gustav Iverson.
03:00	Marlene reminisces. Remembers her grandmother’s cookies. Bonnie talks about “red mush” and making booties.
04:20	Attending Uintah. Bonnie talks about walking 4 blocks one way to Uintah School (Image 3). Came home for lunch each day. Ivy Petty owned store on 1400 and Harrison where they would buy penny candy (Image 4-5). Areva Petty. Marlene remembers path to school. Bonnie recalls sneaking ice cream at Sandra and Carol Burgoyne’s house and cartwheeling to school.
07:20	Polio. Judy Rowe. Bonnie remembers going to Brighton for girl’s camp, getting picked up from camp early due to exposure to polio at Wasatch Ward (Image 6). Susan had contracted polio.
09:00	Bonnie remembers the Parkinson family. Marlene remembers other friends in the neighborhood and neighborhood boys teasing her on the way home. Bonnie remembers boys trying to entice them to have a piece of their cake,



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	which had laxative baked into it. Bishop Preston Parkinson, Mary, Carol, and Ann. Summerhays, Carol Burgoyne, Rick Perry, Roger Moss.
12:00	Drugstore on 15th East. Bonnie remembers shopping at Safeway and Economy Drug. Recalls Safeway being located where Einstein Bagel's is located now.
13:20	Road shows. Bonnie remembers travelling road shows and attending Friday night movies at Wasatch Ward (Image 7).
14:13	Halloween. Bonnie remembers trick or treating with pillowcases. One year the pumpkin started a fire in the kitchen of their house. Marlene remembers the multi-level yard and stone walls in the driveway. Recalls weeping willow in the back yard, interconnectedness of the back yards.
17:48	Playing dolls. Bonnie remembers playing dolls with the neighbors. Marlene remembers dressing up as pioneers for Pioneer Day and burying mother's collection of Indian head pennies in the garden. Bonnie remembers drying clothes on the clothesline, hanging items on the line.
20:27	Pets. Bonnie remembers rabbits and ducks living in the backyard.
21:09	Sugar House Prison. Bonnie remembers prisoners peeking in their windows. Marlene recalls being concerned about what might be in the bushes by the porch.
22:48	Rock Garden. Marlene speaks of her fondness for rock gardens. The ladies remember having to go up steps in their yard to get to their rock garden.
24:08	Accident. Marlene remembers auto accident backing out of her driveway. Recalls going across the street to play in the woods (Image 3). Bonnie remembers sledding across 13 th East down to 11 th East. Talks about getting used to road noise. Remembers multiple levels of house and yard.
28:30	Party line/Riding the bus. Marlene remembers telephone being a party line. Talks about a cedar closet. Recalls attending Children's Dance Theater, taking bus to get there. Virginia Tanner. Anne Cannon, Joyce Bennett, Anne Wirthlin, Kendra Jones.
31:20	School. Marlene remembers Principal Mrs. Ryberg and recess games at Uintah, walking to Roosevelt. Recalls being accosted by an exhibitionist while walking to East High School. Linda Evans. Remembers attending East High.
35:50	Christmas traditions. Shops in Sugarhouse (Images 8-9). Bonnie remembers size of their Christmas tree. Marlene talks about Christmas decorations.
37:40	Musical talents. Bonnie mentions performing in the neighborhood. Dr. Shand, conductor, Bonneville Strings. Reminisces about Duffin's Ice Cream, Dick and Jane Shop, drugstore and barbershop on 21 st East.
39:36	Cars/Neighborhood diversity, Bonnie remembers having a small Volvo and



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	neighbors Walter and Dorothy Smith (Carolyn, Linda, Rusty, Brady or Bratton) being sheep ranchers. Talks about their Christmas train set. Remembers the various styles of clothing worn. Recalls petticoats dipped in sugar water.
42:43	House. Bonnie remembers using a wet drainer in the sink. Talks about putting sandwich crusts in the heating vent, or behind the china cabinet. Marlene recalls formal dining room in the house being rarely used. Bonnie remembers not going into the living room. Marlene recalls the den.
48:35	Earthquake. Bonnie remembers an earthquake. Marlene talks about the yard some more. Bonnie remembers coal deliveries for the furnace, shoveling coal into the furnace.
50:30	Evening entertainment. Ladies remember watching TV and playing Canasta.
51:10	Closing comments. Marlene remembers the geography of where things were in relation to their house. Bonnie recalls how happy they were as children. Ladies discuss exposure to people of different religions or backgrounds in the neighborhood. Monte Williams.
55:18	End time