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Marjorie Bond interviewed by Karen George in the Apples and pears oral history project [sound recording]

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Details

1 sound file (51 min.)??Marjorie Bond talks about her childhood; her parents; planting apples and raspberries with irrigation from the creek; picking and selling raspberries; growing a variety of apples; not having irrigation for the apples; spraying for pests using horse drawn pump; apple wrapping; managing the packing shed; the numbers of apples grown on the properties; packing apples; labelling of cases; exporting to England, Germany and Switzerland; popularity of different varieties; making apple pies and apple jelly; spraying for pests, cultivation and mowing; hand hoeing of weeds; meeting her husband and how he learned the trade; what makes a good orchardist; her marriage in (1941); her husband's military service in Darwin; buying the orchard from her father; growing cherries; the labour during war years; the relationship between father and son; running the grader; working at night and the impact of electricity; tourists coming from Hobart for apple blossom season; the good years on the property with her son; running cattle on the land; Apple festival at Franklin; the apple growing community; involvement in the Progress Association; Tidy Town competition; making a living from the land; her concern for the future; working in the packing shed until the age of 80; her retirement; enjoying meeting tourists and working during the cherry season; transporting cherries to Hobart; her happy memories of working in the apple industry.

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