



# A Century of Service Centennial

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Simply click on the question to see the answer.

**What year did Clark County come into existence?**

[1909](#)

**What Moapa Valley community was originally named Crosby?**

[Overton](#)

**For whom was Clark County named?**

[Montana Senator William Andrews Clark](#)

**What community was first named Ehret?**

[Sloan](#)

**What year did today's Clark County become part of Nevada?**

[1867](#)

**Where is the town of St. Thomas located?**

[Under Lake Mead](#)

**Who was the first American to enter today's Clark County?**

[Jedediah Smith](#)

**What was the first name of North Las Vegas?**

[Vegas Verdes](#)

**What is the oldest community still in existence in Clark County?**

[Bunkerville](#)

**What was the name of the first post office in what is today Clark County?**

[Bringhurst](#)

**What is the name of the oldest school still in use in Clark County?**

[Goodsprings](#)

**When did the Nevada State Constitution get changed to reflect the inclusion of Clark**

**County in the state boundaries?**

*1982*

**Where was the first airport in Clark County?**

*Anderson/Rockwell Field, 1920-29, parking lot behind Sahara Hotel*

**Who named "The Strip"?**

*Guy McAfee*

**Where was the first active mine in Clark County?**

*Mt. Potosi, 1856, lead*

**Who led the first settlement in the Vegas valley?**

*William Bringham*

**Where did George Hearst lose his mine in Clark County?**

*Eldorado Canyon*

**Where is the oldest patented mine in Nevada?**

*Eldorado Canyon – Techatticup Mine*

**Who is Lake Mead named for?**

*Dr. Elwood Mead, first director of the Bureau of Reclamation*

**Where was the original McCarran Airport?**

*Nellis Air Force Base*

**Where were the two nineteenth century military camps in Clark County**

*Camp Callville – at Callville, and Camp El Dorado – at Eldorado Canyon*

**What are the names of three unincorporated townships in the Vegas valley?**

*Paradise, Winchester, Whitney*

**Where are the "Senior Squares"?**

*Las Vegas Academy, former Las Vegas High School*

**When and where was the short-lived twentieth century gold rush in the Las Vegas valley?**

*February 1912, Frenchman's Mountain*

**Who was "Frenchman's Mountain" named for?**

*Paul Watalet, a Belgian*

**What was the farthest up the Colorado River steamboats could reach?**

*Callville*

**Where was Alunite?**

*In Railroad Pass, at the site of the Railroad Pass Casino*

**What mineral was the Arden Mining District known for?**

*Gypsum*

**Where did John Wesley Powell land after his trip through the Grand Canyon?**

*Callville*

**Who laid out the first town named Las Vegas?**

*J. T. McWilliams, 1904*

**Who found the Searchlight claim?**

*George Colton, 1897*

**What Academy Award-winning designer lived in Searchlight as a child?**

*Edith Head*

**Which two Hollywood stars built the Walking Box Ranch?**

*Rex Bell and Clara Bow*

**What was the name of cowboy star Hoot Gibson's ranch in Clark County?**

*The D4C ranch*

**Which other cowboy movie star served as Nevada's Lieutenant Governor?**

*Rex Bell*

**What was the last major unionization effort of the IWW (Wobblies?)**

*Hoover Dam*

**What Clark County school inspired the characters in the "Archie" comic strips?**

*Basic High School. John Dooley was the inspiration for Archie, Bob Montana, the comic strip's artist, modeled Jughead on himself*

**What was the first high school in Clark County?**

*Clark County High School, started in 1908, met in the Methodist Church and Grammar School in Las Vegas*

**Where are Ringbolt Rapids?**

*In the wall of Black Canyon, 3 ½ miles below Hoover Dam*

**What is the fastest-growing county in the United States?**

*Clark County*