3013 Afton “Junior” Ferrin, Jr., interviewed by Ellen Vincent, December 18, 1997, at his home in South Bristol, Maine. Ferrin talks about life in South Bristol, Maine; lobstering; changes in lobster traps; bait; fishing for mackerel, herring; choosing a fishing spot; sport vs. commercial fishing; striped bass; changes in fishing methods; mending nets; fishing boats and crew; transition from water transport to automobiles; products delivered by steamboat; products available in local grocery stores; economic and social changes; trawl lines for cod and pollack; gill nets; sculling vs. rowing; weather problems; boatbuilders; raising and shearing sheep; marketing urchins, clams; digging clams to survive the Great Depression. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Text: 27 pp. transcript
Recording: mfc_na3013_c2053_01&02, mfc_na3013_c2054_01&02 52 minutes
3014 Nellie McFarland Frey, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, November 4, 1997, at her home in South Bristol, Maine. Frey discusses life in South Bristol, Maine; the post office; school; family history; social and recreational activities; Masonic Lodge and the Eastern Star; holidays, esp. Christmas; clothing and sewing; Ladies’ Aid Society; food and cooking; gardening; canning; homebrew beer and wine; rum running; Great Depression; raising chickens; toys; milk delivery; and iceboxes. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Text: 22 pp. partial transcript
Recording: mfc_na3014_c2055_01&02, mfc_na3014_c2056_01&02, mfc_na3014_c2057_01 133 minutes
3015 Margaret Farrin House, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, October 31, 1997, at her home in South Bristol, Maine. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Recording: mfc_na3015_c2058_01 4 minutes
3016 Nellie McFarland Frey and Margaret Farrin House, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, November 17, 1997, at Frey’s home in South Bristol, Maine. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Recording: mfc_na3016_c2059_01&02, mfc_na3016_c2060_01 82 minutes
3017 William Arthur Kelsey, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, December 12, 1997, at his home in South Bristol, Maine. Kelsey identifies and discusses photographs and postcards not included in the accession; in the process he also talks about: changes in the town and its buildings over time; marketing fish; fishing boats; fishing nets and their maintenance; finding and buying old postcards and other memorabilia; Fourth of July; Christmas Cove; winter storms; Kelsey family history; and boat launchings in South Bristol. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Text: 151 pp. transcript
Recording: mfc_na3017_c2061_01&02, mfc_na3017_c2062_01&02,mfc_na3017_c2063_01, mfc_na3017_c2064_01&02 212 minutes
3018 Frank Y. “Pete” McFarland, Jr., interviewed by Ellen Vincent, December 12, 1997, at his home in Christmas Cove, Maine. His wife, Adele Rice McFarland, was also present. McFarland talks about working in a shipyard and as a boatbuilder; designing boats; caulking, methods and materials; boat launchings; stepping the mast; rigging; scalloping; scallop draggers; and the history of South Bristol and Christmas Cove. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023. 31 page transcript.

Text: 31 pp. transcript
Recording: mfc_na3018_c2065_01&02, mfc_na3018_c2066_01&02, mfc_na3018_c2067_01 139 minutes
3019 Mervin Rice, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, October 24, 1997, at his home in South Bristol, Maine. Rice discusses newspaper clippings and photographs not included in accession; other topics include a chicken farmer; lobster bait; dousing; school; transport of goods and mail before automobiles; clamming; and the Damariscotta Fair. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Text: 15 pp. partial transcript
Recording: mfc_na3019_c2068_01&02, mfc_na3019_c2069_01&02, mfc_na3019_c2070_01 131 minutes
3020 J. Douglas Thompson, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, November 19, 1997, at his home in Belfast, Maine. Thompson discusses photographs and newspaper articles not included in accession; other topics include: history and inhabitants of Damariscotta, South Bristol, and Christmas Cove, Maine; changes in daily life during the 20th century; economic activities; changing buildings; and other aspects of local geography. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Text: 24 pp. partial transcript
Recording: mfc_na3020_c2071_01, mfc_na3020_c2072_01&02, mfc_na3020_c2073_01&02 133 minutes
3021 Catherine Jordon Walker, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, October 23, November 3, and November 18, 1997, at her home in Christmas Cove, Maine. Partial transcript of interview on October 23, 1997. Walker discusses old fashioned grocery stores; cookie varieties; going to school in a one-room schoolhouse; holidays; gardens; doctor’s visits; home remedies; childbirth at home; summer visitors; local libraries; and childhood reading. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023.

Recording: mfc_na3021_c2074_01 - mfc_na3021_c2078_01 234 minutes
3022 Robert Kendall Woodward, interviewed by Ellen Vincent, November 11 and November 20, 1997, at his home in Walpole, Maine. Woodward talks about ice cutting and marketing; family history; transportation; school; changes in daily life during the 20th century; town meeting; his career as a personal secretary; mother’s cooking and dairying; farm tasks; neighboring; keeping goats; holidays; husking bees and other social activities. For more information on this project and the exhibit resulting from it, see NA 3023. 13 page index with partial transcript.

Text: 13 pp. partial transcript
Recording: mfc_na3022_c2079_01&02, mfc_na3022_c2080_01&02, mfc_na3022_c2081_01&02
152 minutes
3023 Assembled by Ellen Vincent, information on the exhibit “Down on the Island, Up on the Main: A Recollected History of South Bristol, Maine,” including newspaper and newsletter articles, exhibit text, plans for the exhibit.

Text: 39 pp. exhibit text, newsletter and newspaper articles