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The purpose of this program is to gather and preserve information for historical and scholarly use.

A tape recording of your interview will be made by the interviewer, and a typescript of the tape will be made and submitted to you for editing. The final typescript, together with the tape of the interview will then be placed in the oral history collection at the University of Montana. Other institutions or persons may obtain a copy. These materials may be made available for purposes of research, for instructional use, for publications, or for other related purposes.

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I, Donald A. Calter, have read the (Interviewee. Please print) above, and in view of the historical and scholarly value of this information, and in return for a final typed copy of the transcript, I knowingly and voluntarily permit the University of Montana the full use of this information. I hereby grant and assign all my rights of every kind whatever pertaining to this information, whether or not such rights are now known, recognized, or contemplated, to the University of Montana.

Donald a. Calder-Interviewee (Signature)

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6-19-80 Date

Donald Calder, 70

Retired blacksmith Donald A. Calder, 70, of 2632 S. Montana, died Friday morning in a local hospital.

He was born Feb. 17, 1917, to Donald and Kate Calder and attended local schools, graduating from Butte High.

Mr. Calder was a blacksmith for the Anaconda Co. until he retired in 1977. He was a member of the Blacksmiths Union.

He married Lois Gibbs in Butte Oct. 2, 1940. She survives.

Also surviving are sons and daughters-in-law, Dondald Jr. and Sue Calder of Missoula and Bruce and Janet Calder of Evergreen, Colo.; a daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Will McCullar of Great Falls, a sister Males Cald. Falls; a sister, Helen Golden of Hamilton; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth Calder, in 1981.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home with the Rev. Lyle Hamilton officiating. Burial will be in Mount Moriah Cemetery.

Memorials to the Easter Seal Foundation or Shrine Hospitals-are preferred. //30/88 mS

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Oral History Tapes

Source - Interviewee/Lecturer: <u>Donald A. Calder</u>
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Date of interview/lecture: 6-19-80
ormat: C-60 cassette Length of tape: 1 1/4 hours
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blacksmiths participation in strikes, working conditions
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nigh school: worked for W.P.A., became a blacksmith, president
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opies of tape available? Format?

Notes on conversation after tape was off

at most made \$11,000 in one year

I had asked what he thought of the present strike. He replied, "BULLSHIT"

He went on for nearly an hour about how the unions have ruined Butte. At one time they were essential to protect the people of Butte, but that is history. They demand too much now; are keeping new businesses out of Butte; gave the example of the men who burned out the work shed of the proposed Motel 6

Discussed the pettiness of extreme di isions of labor to protect

juridictional lines

Believes wages push prices up; companies have to raise prices to pay the higher wales

There are just conditions that workers have to put up with

He has a friend who is an auto mechanic who does a lot of work on cars of Company people. One ARCO man told him: "Marty, you just watch, in the next 18-20 months we're going to break the back of every union in Montana."