

Interview with Don Bushaw, Professor of Mathematics
(interviewed by Duane W. Detemple)

WSU CENTENNIAL ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

NOTES AND WORD LIST

Instructions to the Interviewer:

Please list proper names, geographical locations, etc., discussed on tape. Also note passages (by digit number) and sentences which are restricted. Explain noises and interruptions, other than the spoken word. Identify the corresponding tape number and side.

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Side A

- 0-15 Intro
15-54 Childhood & Youth (including one year, 1943, at WSU)
54-65 Naval Experience
65-98 Returned to finish college @ State College of Wash.
(Morris Knebelman an influential teacher)
98-261 Campus life at WSU as undergraduate
Description of Math Department, location & curriculum
261-361 Description of Pullman
361-478 Graduate work at Princeton
478 - end of Side A Returns to WSU (1952)

Side B

- 0-22 Location of Math Department in early Fifties
22-49 Math courses & enrollments
49-67 Visitors to the Math Department (including M. Fréchet, 1947)
67-94 Description of students of early/mid fifties
94-121 Teaching & Research
121-150 Bushaw's return to topology (1957)
150-165 Beginning of Math Ph D (Tony Peverini, first math Ph D,
written under Bushaw)
165-192 Year¹⁹⁶² at RIAS (Research Institute of Advanced Studies)
Became interested in uniform spaces & abstract dynamical systems
192-220 Working conditions during fifties
220-230 Chairmen of the Math Dept
230-347 Description of higher administration (Compton, Holland, French;
Todd, Hatcher, Knebelman, Ray, Stephenson)
347-484 Rise of computing (Hacker, Rieckert) Rechard
484 - end of Side B Astronomy (student Bill Gates; Warren Campbell faculty)