

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Cannon, Douglas Wayne

DATE OF INTERVIEW: October 14, 2004

LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Lubbock, TX

INTERVIEWER: Daniel U. Sánchez

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LENGTH OF INTERVIEW: 1 hour 25 minutes

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Douglas Wayne Cannon discusses growing up in Levelland, Texas and how his early interests of sports affected his college sports career. Other topics include: his experience in college sports and his thoughts about Texas Tech University's current sport program.

ABSTRACT:

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Douglas Wayne Cannon
Born in 1941 in Levelland, TX
Family History
Parents' names and birthday
Parents' occupations
The only child in the family
Name of the grandparents
Paternal grandfather worked as a sheriff
Place of mother's birth
Maternal Granddad worked as mechanics

Early interest in sports
Softball competition in 4th grade
Baseball experience when turned 13
Father coached baseball and play football in the 30s'

Progress in sports	
Competitive sports programs in high school	10
Played as catcher in baseball	
Exposure to professional baseball player	
Involved in track	
Tied as 8 th place	
Pro-style offense in high school football	
Achievement in high school football career	
State championship in senior year	
Rivalry with Andrew High School, Andrews, Texas	
Other rivalries high school football	20
Rivalry with Littlefield High School, Littlefield, Texas	
Record of high school football	
Hartford's basketball team	
Baseball team record	
Snyder High School's baseball team (Snyder, Texas)	
Track team	
Personal honors in high school	
College career	27
Recruited by Texas and Oklahoma	
Choices of on college	
Decision to go to tech	
Texas Tech	
Signed to play football and baseball for tech in 1960	
Tech became a member of Southwest Conference	
EJ Holub	
Freshmen team	
Got married in the summer of freshmen year	
Special rules in freshmen year	
Game in Arkansas	
Game with Tulane University	40
EJ's performance in the game	
Celebration with EJ	
Incident of EJ	
Sophomore year	
Controversy in senior year	
Coaching experience in senior year	
Transition from high school to college	
Change of offense style from high school to college	51
A&M coaches in junior year	
Baseball experience	
No facility for baseball home plays	
Played without fence	
Difficulties in football	

Teams that played against	1:03
Sports played after college days	
Baseball in the summer	
ROTC in 1965	
Coached freshmen baseball team in the fifth year	
Other Occupations	
Went back from military service in 1967	
Cashier manager in hospital for 7 years	
Went to a different medical clinic	
Started working for State Farm Insurance	
Thoughts about college sports career	
Fans of west Texas	1:08
Ups and downs in the 60s'	
Respect gained in the recent years	
Optimistic about the future of tech football	
Comments about Leach's offense style	
Watched the first game of Leach	
Evolution in style of playing football	
National attention	
Facilities in recent days	
The construction of indoor practice facility	
Impacts of transition from Southwest to Big 12 Conference	
Bobby Knight	
Influence of coach Knight to Tech basketball	
Lost dad in 1982	1:20
Actions coach Knight took to improve Tech basketball	
Pat Knight's radio show	
Scholarship level	
Interview ends	

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT: 1941

GENDER OF INFORMANT: Male

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT: