

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Weiner, Leonard and Marilyn Weiner

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LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Lubbock, Texas

INTERVIEWER: David Marshall

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Leonard Weiner talks about his life in Chicago, Illinois and then later coming to Texas Tech and starting the computer science program. Marilyn adds occasional comments.

ABSTRACT:

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TIME STAMP

Personal information	00:00
Born in Chicago	
Religious background	
Neighborhood description	
Unemployment reasons	
Jobs	
Pay and hours	
Account of his work	
Chicago	00:10
Anti-Semitism	
Depression	
Joining the Army Air Corps	
Posting choices	
Training at Concho Field	
Formal school education	

Childhood interest in mechanics Dodge City, Kansas posting	
Trips he took with his family	00:21
Insights on Dodge City military posting Work schedule Duties Demotion	
Discrimination issues Redneck's prejudiced attitude Reasons Jews' situation in Europe	00:30
Del Rio, Texas posting Duties and responsibilities	
Other recollections Father's childhood struggles Jobs he held Anti-Semitism Changed names to get jobs Mexican-American population	00:41
Aircraft instrument specialist school Located at Chanute Field	00:50
Del Rio Posting (continued) Navigation runs Details of a memorable trip	
Guardhouse punishment	
Post-war Discharged from Army Air Corp Jobs	01:00
Financial situation Depression experiences Working at father's golf range	
Post-war Bill collector's job Worked for P. F. Collier Publishing Company Getting into hotel business	1:10

Marriage	
Education	
Educational Background	1:20
Degree in engineering science	
Marilyn's educational background	
Appliance Park experience	
Educational Background (Continued)	1:30
Transferred to Illinois Institute of Technology	
Grades	
National Science Foundation fellowship	
Involvement with computers	
Nature of work at IBM	
Educational Background (Continued)	1:40
Graduate school hunt	
MANIAC computer	
Professors at Northwestern University	
Michigan State University	1:50
Assistant professor	
Student housing	
Duties and responsibilities	
Moving to Lubbock	2:00
Didn't get tenure at MSU	
Lubbock visit	
Part of the Math Department	
Starting the Computer Science program	2:10
Courses similar to MSU	
Equipment	
Faculty in the math department	
Moving the program to engineering	
Computer Science department	2:20
Labs	
Issues	
Memories of the faculty	
Marilyn's recollections	
enrolled in the graduate program	
She taught undergraduate courses	
Accomplishments	2:31

Good placement

Social work

2:40

Teaching computers to senior citizen

Opened two centers

Material used by others

Talks about his children

Interview ended

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANTS: 1924

1927

GENDER OF INFORMANTS: Male, Female

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANTS: