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# Talk Objectives

Overview of the OH 150 Project

Description of its Technical Workflow

Examination of its Project Portal, including discussion of METS/MODS, TEI and XSL

Discussion of Digital Preservation Activities in support of the project

Assessment of the Portal Workflow



# OH 150: Project Overview

Conducted from 2013-2017 in anticipation of OSU's 150th birthday (2018)

The largest oral history project ever conducted at OSU

Interviews with three OSU Presidents and other well-known OSU figures

Broad regional representation, especially through interviews with Extension and Experiment Station staff

Formal launch scheduled for November 2017



# OH 150: Project Overview

~400 hours of content

270 total interviews (201 interview sets)

108 Alumni interview sets - nine decades represented

102 Faculty interview sets - each of OSU's colleges represented

22 Staff interview sets

10 Current Student interview sets

3.2 Million words transcribed

1.7 TB born digital



# OH 150 Project Details

Topical strengths including:

Athletics

International Studies

Military Service

Multicultural Communities

Public Service

The Advancement of Women



# Technical Workflow

Interviews captured using both video and audio recorders

Video the primary format (.mts raw files)

Audio the backup format (.wav raw files)



# Technical Workflow

Interviews processed using Adobe Premiere

Raw .mts files stitched together in Premiere

.mp3 audio derivative created as a transcription/access file

Stored on department file server for staff access

.mpg video derivative created as a low-resolution reference file

Stored on library preservation server

.m2t video derivative created as high-quality presentation file

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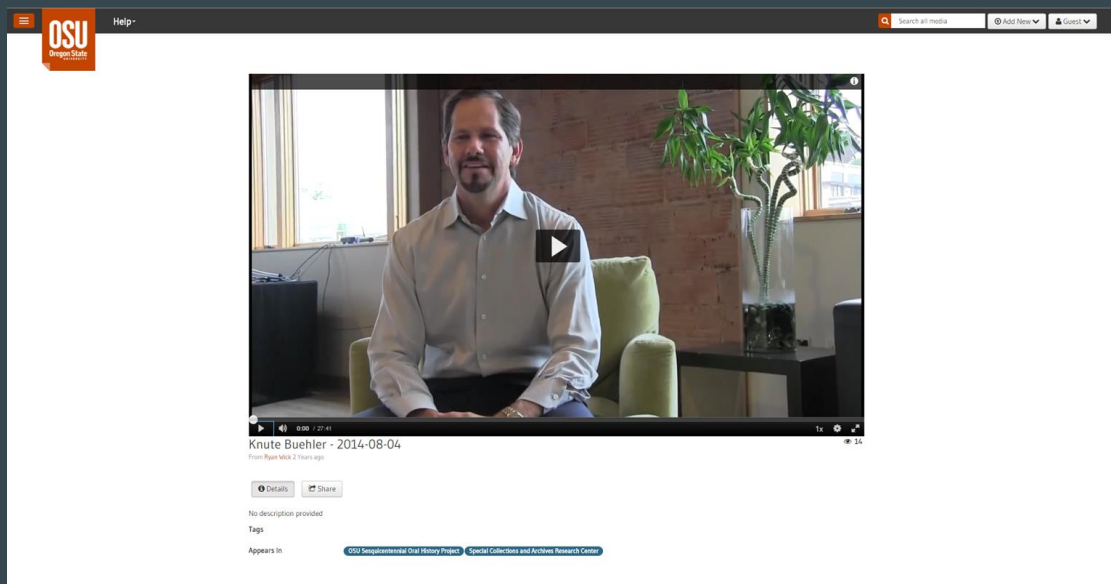




# Technical Workflow

.m2t presentation derivatives uploaded to OSU MediaSpace (Kaltura instance)

Made immediately available as raw interview video; minimal metadata



The screenshot displays a video player interface from OSU MediaSpace. At the top left, the OSU logo and a 'Help' link are visible. A search bar and user options ('Add New', 'Guest') are at the top right. The video frame shows a man with a goatee, Knute Buehler, sitting in a light green armchair in a room with a brick wall and a potted plant. A play button is centered over the video. Below the video, the title 'Knute Buehler - 2014-08-04' is shown, along with a timestamp 'From Ryan Wick 2 Years ago'. There are 'Details' and 'Share' buttons, and a note that 'No description provided'. At the bottom, it says 'Appears in' followed by two links: 'OSU Benningmedia Oral History Project' and 'Special Collections and Archives Research Center'.

# Technical Workflow

## Interview described in a dedicated archival finding aid

 Printer Friendly

### CONTAINER LIST

- Series 1: Interviews, 2013
- Series 2: Interviews, 2014
- Series 3: Interviews, 2015
- Series 4: Interviews, 2016
- Series 5: Interviews, 2017

### Oregon State University Sesquicentennial Oral History Collection, 2013-2017



The Oregon State University Sesquicentennial Oral History Collection documents the history, culture and ambition of Oregon State University through interviews with alumni, faculty, staff, administrators, current students and supporters. Most of the items held in the collection take the form of life history interviews, their sole common thread being an association, past or present, with Oregon State University.

#### CREATORS

ID: OH 026

EXTENT: 1740.0 gigabytes

#### MORE EXTENT INFORMATION

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTES

#### BIOGRAPHICAL / HISTORICAL NOTES

STATEMENT ON ACCESS: Collection is open for research.

#### ARRANGEMENT

PREFERRED CITATION: Oregon State University Sesquicentennial Oral History Collection (OH 026), Oregon State University Special Collections and Archives Research Center, Corvallis, Oregon.

ACQUISITION NOTE: All interviews were conducted by Oregon State University Sesquicentennial Oral History project staff, sometimes in concert with other colleagues as indicated.

ACQUIRED: Future additions to this collection are anticipated.

#### LANGUAGES OF MATERIALS

English

#### OTHER

### CONTAINER LIST

#### Series 1: Interviews, 2013

Raw video files for each of the interviews described in this series are available online through the Special Collections & Archives Research Center [MediaSpace platform](#). Transcribed and contextualized versions of specific interviews are available through a dedicated project portal as noted below.

Extent: 21 interviews

Item 1.001: Landforce, Andy, May 22, 2013 

Landforce discusses his upbringing and his undergraduate days at Oregon State College. Interview conducted in Corvallis, Oregon by Mike Dicianna. Transcribed video available online: "[Growing Up, the OSC Years, Pearl Harbor and the 1942 Rose Bowl.](#)"

Extent: 1:19.06

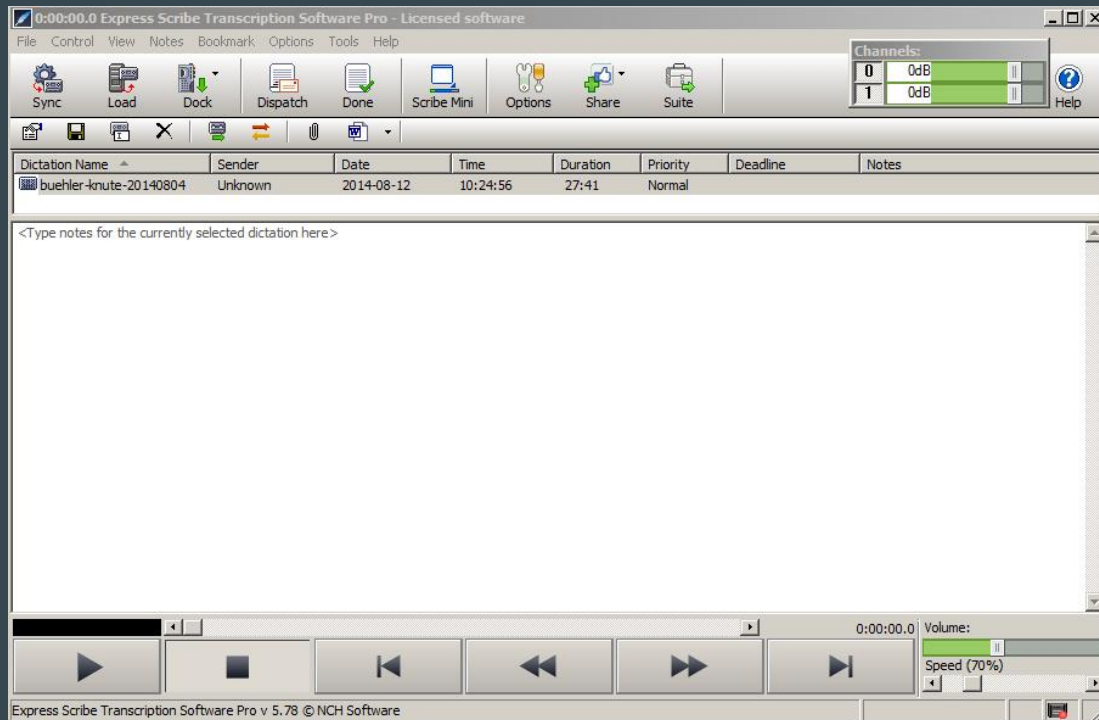
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# Technical Workflow

Interview transcribed with the help of Express Scribe



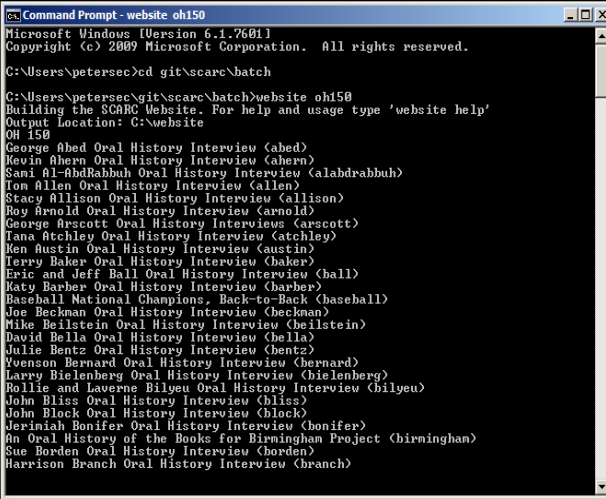
# Technical Workflow

## Web Portal

METS and TEI records created to describe interview as a digital object

Completed records and associated images committed to Git repository

Web portal pages generated through command line function



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Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

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Output Location: C:\website
OH 150
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Kevin Ahern Oral History Interview (ahern)
Sani Al-Abdrabbuh Oral History Interview (alabdrabbuh)
Ton Allen Oral History Interview (allen)
Stacy Allison Oral History Interview (allison)
Ray Arnold Oral History Interview (arnold)
George Arscott Oral History Interview (arscott)
Tana Atchley Oral History Interview (atchley)
Ken Austin Oral History Interview (austin)
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Katy Barber Oral History Interview (barber)
Baseball National Champions, Back-to-Back (baseball)
Joe Beckman Oral History Interview (beckman)
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Julie Bentz Oral History Interview (bentz)
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Rollie and Laverne Bilgeu Oral History Interview (bilgeu)
John Bliss Oral History Interview (bliss)
John Block Oral History Interview (block)
Jeremiah Bonifer Oral History Interview (bonifer)
An Oral History of the Books for Birmingham Project (birmingham)
Sue Borden Oral History Interview (borden)
Harrison Branch Oral History Interview (branch)
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# The OH 150 Portal: Background

## Primary Ambitions:

Present full video with transcripts and contextual information in a visually appealing package

Make content browseable, searchable and sortable

## Secondary Ambitions:

Provide PDF view/download option for transcripts

Enable download of .mp3 audio for all interviews



# The OH 150 Portal: Recycled Code!

## Index Pages: SCARC Events (mid-2000s)

### Events



#### "SCIENTISTS MAKING WAVES AND BRINGING HOPE," DR. JANE LUBCHENCO

2016 Linus Pauling Legacy Award

April 26, 2016

Oregon State University professor and U.S. Science Envoy for the Ocean Dr. Jane Lubchenco spoke in Portland, Oregon on Tuesday, April 26, 2016. Her lecture, titled "Scientists Making Waves and Bringing Hope," was presented at the Oregon Historical Society Museum. Lubchenco was honored as the ninth recipient of the Linus Pauling Legacy Award, granted once every two years for outstanding achievement in an area of study once of interest to Dr. Linus Pauling. The Pauling Legacy Award is sponsored by Oregon State University Libraries and Press.

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#### "OUT OF THE NUCLEAR SHADOW: SCIENTISTS AND THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE BOMB," DR. ZIA MIAN

2014 Linus Pauling Legacy Award

April 21, 2014

Princeton University professor Dr. Zia Mian spoke in Portland, Oregon on Monday, April 21, 2014. His lecture, titled "Out of the Nuclear Shadow: Scientists and the Struggle Against the Bomb," was presented at the Oregon Historical Society Museum. Mian was honored as the eighth recipient of the Linus Pauling Legacy Award, granted once every two years for outstanding achievement in an area of study once of interest to Dr. Linus Pauling. The Pauling Legacy Award is sponsored by Oregon State University Libraries & Press.

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#### "TAP INTO HISTORY: FOUR PERSPECTIVES ON BREWING IN OREGON"

Panel Discussion

March 28, 2014

This event took place at the Oregon Hops & Brewing Archives launch party and was accompanied by screenings of video shorts and a full-length documentary on the history of brewing. Panel participants included agriculture historian Peter Kopp, journalist John Foyston, Full Sail Brewing founder and CEO Irene Firmat, and OSU doctoral candidate Daniel Stapp.

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#### "PIONEERS OF CHANGE: BLACK FOOTBALL PLAYERS AT OSU FROM 1951-PRESENT"

Panel Discussion

February 18, 2014

This event paid posthumous tribute to the first African American football player at OSU, Dave Mann (1951-1954), and also discussed the desegregation of football and what that has meant for the Oregon State athletic program. Panelists included past OSU football players Earnel Durden (1956-1958) and Ken Simonton (1998-2001), football historian Dr. Michael Oniard, author Herman Bramst, and sociologist Dr. Dwaine Plaza. The event was sponsored by Oregon Humanities.

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## OH 150 (2014)



#### KNUTE BUEHLER ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEWS

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August 2014 - August 2015

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#### KARYLE BUTCHER ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Life history interview conducted by Janice Dilg.

May 8, 2014

Karyle Butcher (b. 1942) was a member of the OSU Libraries faculty from 1981 to her retirement in 2010, serving as University Librarian for the final fourteen years of her career. As director of the OSU Libraries, Butcher oversaw a massive physical expansion of the campus main branch library, promoted a culture of scholarship and innovation within the organization, and guided OSU Libraries to a position of leadership within an information landscape rapidly transitioning from paper to electronic. During Butcher's tenure as University Librarian, the University Archives and the OSU Press - with Butcher serving as director - also came under the umbrella of the OSU Libraries. Her interview traces her personal evolution as a librarian and as a leader, and also documents the massive changes that came about during her years of association with the OSU Libraries.

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#### JOHN BYRNE ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEWS

Four life history interviews conducted by Chris Petersen.

January - February 2014

John Byrne (b. 1928) has made an indelible impact on Oregon State University through an association that has spanned over five decades. A trained geologist, Byrne arrived in Corvallis in 1950 as one of Oregon State College's first faculty members in Oceanography. Over time, Byrne assumed chairmanship of the Oceanography Department and later became Dean of OSU's newly formed School of Oceanography. In 1976 Byrne moved into upper administration, first as Dean of Research and later as Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies. Following a three-year stint in Washington, D.C., where he served as head of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Byrne returned to Corvallis as the twelfth President in OSU history. Byrne's presidency lasted from 1994-1995, a time period during which he did much to modernize university operations amidst a budget crisis caused by significant reductions in state funding for higher education. The Byrne oral history interviews trace the arc of his entire life, from his childhood on Long Island to his graduate studies at USC, and on to his tenures at Oregon State and with NOAA.

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#### DARRY CALLAHAN ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Life history interview conducted by Mike Dicianna.

August 6, 2016

Darry Callahan (b. 1942) graduated from OSU in 1964 with a degree in Chemical Engineering and moved directly into a career at Chevron that spanned some forty years. Over the course of that time, Callahan worked as a research engineer, financial analyst, manager and executive. At one time the president of Chevron Oil Bahamas, Callahan also served as the chief executive at Chevron Chemical Company as well as the succeeding company that he helped to merge, Chevron Phillips Chemical. Callahan has also been very actively involved with the OSU Foundation, the OSU College of Engineering, and the OSU Board of Trustees, of which he has been a member and vice chairman since its creation. His interview focuses on his undergraduate years in Corvallis, his long and varied career at Chevron, and his more recent activities with his alma mater.

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# The OH 150 Portal: Recycled Code!

PDFs:



## Guide to the Ralph I. Gifford Photographs, circa 1910s - 1947

### Title

Ralph I. Gifford Photographs (P 218-SG 2)

### Dates

circa 1910s - 1947 (inclusive)  
1935-1947 (bulk)

### Creator

Gifford, Ralph I.

### Summary

The Ralph I. Gifford Photographs consist of images taken by Gifford throughout Oregon, primarily during the 1930s and 1940s. The photographs depict many Oregon landmarks and scenes, including the Oregon Coast, Crater Lake, Mount Hood, the Willowa Mountains, and the Snake River Canyon. The collection includes numerous images of sport fishing as well as several photographs of Native Americans. Ralph Gifford was the son of Benjamin A. Gifford and took over his father's Portland photography business around 1920. In 1936, Ralph became the first photographer of the newly established Travel and Information Department of the Oregon State Highway Department, a position he held until his death in 1947.

### Quantity

2.5 cubic feet, including 2089 photographs (17 boxes, including 2 oversize boxes, and 1 map folder)

### Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research.

Oregon State University Libraries, University Archives  
121 The Valley Library  
Oregon State University  
Corvallis, OR 97331-4501  
Phone: 541-737-2165  
Email: [archives@oregonstate.edu](mailto:archives@oregonstate.edu)  
Web: <http://osulibrary.oregonstate.edu/archives>

Finding aid prepared by Lawrence A. Landis, updated by Elizabeth Nielsen, 2011.  
Funding for encoding this finding aid was provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

## Transcript

**Janice Dilg:** So, today is August 4th, 2014. I'm here with Dr. Knute Buehler at his campaign headquarters in Bend, Oregon. My name is Janice Dilg and this is part of the Oregon State University oral history project. Good afternoon.

**Knute Buehler:** Good afternoon.

**JD:** So, I think it seems always kind of fitting to begin a little at the beginning. If you would just talk briefly about where you're from and you're growing up, and perhaps what you were interested in and liked to do in your early years.

**KB:** Yeah, well I have deep, deep Oregon roots. I grew up in Roseburg, I graduated from Roseburg High, and then from there on to Oregon State, so I have that connection with the state, certainly. So, my decision to go to Oregon State certainly was easy based on that.

**JD:** And what was it about Oregon State University that attracted you? There are other universities within the borders.

**KB:** That's right. Well, I think it was that unique combination of a great location in Corvallis—I had a brother who went there, so I felt comfortable at Oregon State, spent quite a bit of time with him, which was really nice of him to show me around when I—because I'm eight years younger than him, so showing your little brother around college is not always the most, the first choice of a big brother, but he was good about that. And then I played baseball at Oregon State, so you know the top-rated baseball program certainly was an attraction, and then high quality academics in the subjects I was interested in, and that was mainly microbiology at that time.

**JD:** So, you had already developed some fairly specific interests, or just you knew microbiology broadly and would figure it out from there?

**KB:** Yeah, exactly. So, I knew I liked science, was interested in science, exactly which direction I didn't know, but I had an interest in microbiology from the very beginning, because of—then genetic engineering was just starting and that's really captivated me when I was a high school student.

**JD:** So, talk briefly about when you arrived in Corvallis on the OSU campus, kind of what was the campus like at that point in time and what were your interactions with some of the professors and the courses that you took?

**KB:** Well, I remember the first week I got there, because the baseball team actually shows up a couple of weeks before school starts, which is actually quite nice because no one else is around and you kind of have a free run of the place, which was nice to sort things out as a freshman. It also introduced you to upperclassmen on the baseball team who became good advisors and mentors of things to do and things not to do, classes to take and those types of things. And then we quickly transition from the baseball into the dorms, which is always a great experience, so I was on the fourth floor of McNary Hall, which I don't, not sure if McNary is still a dorm anymore, but—

**JD:** It's actually part of the Honors College.

# The OH 150 Portal: Recycled Code!

Sorts:

## Correspondence

72 documents

Letter from Linus Pauling to Arnold Sommerfeld. October 20, 1925.

Pauling writes to inform Sommerfeld of his forthcoming travels to Europe and to discuss the research topics that he



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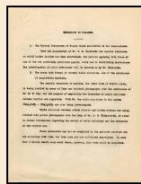
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Letter from Linus Pauling to the Research Fellowship Board of the National Research Council. D

Pauling writes to describe his on-going course of research in anticipation of traveling to Europe on a Guggenheim



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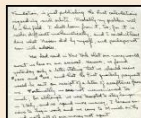
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Letter from Linus Pauling to A.A. Noyes. April 25, 1926.

Pauling writes to update Noyes on his travel experiences, research and scholarly interactions while in Europe on a



## JULIE BENTZ ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Life history interview conducted by Chris Petersen.

June 14, 2013

Julie Bentz (b. 1964) graduated from Oregon State University in 1986 with a Bachelor of Science degree in the United States Army Major General. Bentz, at the time of this interview, served as the Director, State National Security Staff within the Executive Office of the President. While attending OSU, she was in ROTC program. The Bentz oral history interview covers her educational, social, and military experie

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## CARL AND KIM CASALE ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Life history interview conducted by Chris Petersen.

November 5, 2015

Carl Casale (b. 1961) and his wife Kim (Martin) Casale both graduated from OSU in 1983 with degrees in the years that followed, Carl moved up the executive ranks at the Monsanto Corporation, ultimately rising to the position of Chief Executive Officer and President of CHS, Inc., the nation's largest agribusiness company. Kim enjoyed career growth as well, eventually becoming an Area Director at Bristol-Myers Squibb. Though based in Minnesota, the Casales also own and operate a 100-acre blueberry farm. They manage, in part, through cutting-edge precision agriculture technologies. Their wide-ranging international experiences; their career trajectories; Carl's life as a chief executive; and their blueberry farm; and their co

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## SUSAN CASTILLO ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Life history interview conducted by Janice Dilg.

June 17, 2014

Susan Castillo (b. 1951) graduated from OSU in 1981, having returned to school at the urging of OSU Pearl Spears Gray, for whom Castillo worked as a secretary. A Communications major, Castillo found her interest in running for elected to the state Senate, and in the process became the first Hispanic woman to occupy an office in 2003-2012, she also served as Superintendent of Public Instruction in the Oregon Department of Education. Her interview focuses on her arc of her career in journalism and politics.

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The Portal



# METS and MODS: Used at OSU for ~15 years

Metadata Encoding and Transmission Standard (METS): Used to encode descriptive, administrative and structural metadata for digital objects

XML schema

Metadata Object Description Schema (MODS): Bibliographic description schema for digital objects

Also an XML schema; analogous to a MARC record for digital objects

In our case, MODS description is nested within METS records



# TEI

Text Encoding Initiative: A simple xml-based mark-up language used to encode texts

Used at OSU Libraries for many years to prepare texts for presentation on the web.

Also used by OSU Libraries to encode texts for print production.

Easy to learn and well-suited for student work.



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Sort Interviews by Affiliation or Theme



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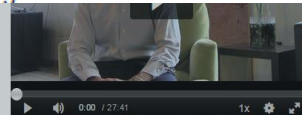
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<p>The remainder of the session is devoted to Buehler's career in medicine and in public service, his continuing connection with OSU, and advice that he would impart upon college students of today.</p>

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<p>As a professional, Buehler has interned in the Department of Surgery at Oregon Health Sciences University and has also served as a resident in orthopedics at OHSU. He is presently an orthopedic surgeon at the Center for Orthopedic and Neurosurgical Care and Research, located in Bend, Oregon.</p>
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<p>Buehler has also been actively involved in both statewide and national politics. An advisor to the 1992 Perot presidential campaign, Buehler helped to organize a successful citizen initiative to reform campaign finance law in Oregon and is also a past party nominee for Oregon Secretary of State. In 2014 Buehler was elected to represent the Bend-area's District 54 in the Oregon House of Representatives.</p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">KB:</hi> Yeah, well I have deep, deep Oregon roots. I grew up in
      Roseburg, I graduated from Roseburg High, and then from there on to Oregon State, so I have that connection with
      the state, certainly. So, my decision to go to Oregon State certainly was easy based on that.</p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">JD:</hi> And what was it about Oregon State University that
      attracted you? There are other universities within the borders.</p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">KB:</hi> That's right. Well, I think it was that unique combination of a
      great location in Corvallis—I had a brother who went there, so I felt comfortable at Oregon State, spent quite a bit of
      time with him, which was really nice of him to show me around when I—because I'm eight years younger than him, so
      showing your little brother around college is not always the most, the first choice of a big brother, but he was good
      about that. And then I played baseball at Oregon State, so you know the top-rated baseball program certainly was an
      attraction, and then high quality academics in the subjects I was interested in, and that was mainly microbiology at
      that time.</p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">JD:</hi> So, you had already developed some fairly specific interests,
      or just you knew microbiology broadly and would figure it out from there?</p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">KB:</hi> Yeah, exactly. So, I knew I liked science, was interested in
      science, exactly which direction I didn't know, but I had an interest in microbiology from the very beginning, because
      of—then genetic engineering was just starting and that's really captivated me when I was a high school student. </p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">JD:</hi> So, talk briefly about when you arrived in Corvallis on the
      OSU campus, kind of what was the campus like at that point in time and what were your interactions with some of the
      professors and the courses that you took?</p>
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      <p><chi rend="bold">KB:</hi> Well, I remember the first week I got there, because the
      baseball team actually shows up a couple of weeks before school starts, which is actually quite nice because no one
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# XSL Transformation/XSL Formatting Objects

Extensible Stylesheet Language (XSL): A family of languages used to transform and render XML documents

XSLT: In this case, a collection of rules that interprets METS and TEI records and, with the help of CSS, creates HTML as its output.

No HTML is ever encoded for any of our projects. All of our HTML is a product of XML, XSL, and CSS.



# XSL Transformation/XSL Formatting Objects

XSL-FO: The flavor of XSL used by us to create PDFs.

All PDFs are generated as a result of the batch command line process that we run to generate HTML as well. E.g. -- it all happens at once and all as a result of a single command line process.

XSL is extremely powerful but it requires specialized expertise. This requirement is the biggest hindrance to wider adoption of the OH 150 platform across institutions.



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## DARRY CALLAHAN ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Life history interview conducted by Mike Dicianna.  
August 6, 2015

Darry Callahan (b. 1942) graduated from OSU in 1964 with a degree in Petroleum Engineering. He worked for Chevron that spanned some forty years. Over the course of that time, Callahan was a manager and executive. At one time the president of Chevron Oil Baha Chemical Company as well as the succeeding company that he helped create. He was very actively involved with the OSU Foundation, the OSU College of Engineering. He has been a member and vice chairman since its creation. His interview focus



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### About the Project

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- Nearly 400 hours of total interview time and over 3.2 million words of transcription. (In excess of 1.7 terabytes worth of born digital captured as a result of the project.)
- More than 100 interviews with OSU alumni.
- Close to 100 more with OSU faculty, both current and emeritus.
- Another 20 interviews with OSU staff (current and retired) and 10 more with current OSU students (undergraduate and graduate).

In addition:

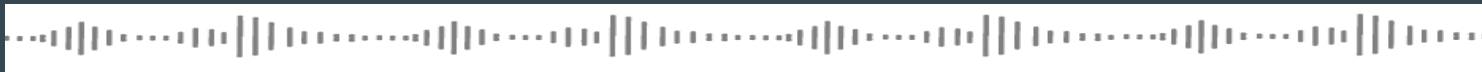
- OSU President Ed Ray gave four interviews for the project, as did President Emeritus John Byrne, President Emeritus Paul Rinehart, and President Emeritus Jim Ruffolo, less than four months before he passed away in July 2014.
- All of OSU's colleges are represented within the collection, including the Graduate School and the University Honors College campuses, the Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport and OSU-Cascades in Bend. More than twenty interviews include Coquille National Forest as a major theme. Other institutional areas of strength include the OSU Foundation, the Linus Pauling and Press, and OSU Ecampus.
- OSU's Land Grant heritage and mission are documented throughout the project. Specific interviews focusing on Sea Grant, Space Grant, and OSU are included as well.
- The collection features interviews with more than a dozen OSU Distinguished Professors, four members of the OSU Board of Regents, and two members of the \$1 billion Campaign for OSU: Pat Rieker, Jim Ruffolo and Pat Stone.
- By the numbers, the collection's most significant topical strengths include the Advancement of Women, Athletics, Entrepreneurship, Sustainability, International Studies, Journalism, Military Service, Multiculturalism, Oceanography and Public Service.
- Within Oregon, project staff traveled to Bend, Hood River, Klamath Falls, Newport, Pendleton and Sutherlin, as well as many locations in the Willamette Valley, to collect interviews. Outside of the state, interviews were conducted in Denver, Colorado; Houston, Texas; Los Angeles, California; Norman, Oklahoma; Saratoga, California; and Washington, D.C.

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# Preservation

Not great!

So far, following a poor man's LOCKSS (Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe) protocol

.mp3 derivative on department file share

.mpg derivative and raw files (.mts and .wav) on library preservation share

Department and preservation servers are two different RAID arrays physically located right next to each other...





# Preservation

Access video provided by OSU MediaSpace

Likely a third server located in the same room as the above two

All raw files as well as Word transcript files uploaded to Box

My personal account, so issues there

Print everything out? ...considering it...

Hopefully getting better!

Library testing Archivemata as a preservation solution for all of its digital content





# Assessing the OH 150 Platform

## Pro

Achieved all of our design objectives

Did so using mostly recycled code

A platform with which we are very experienced and quite comfortable, so efficient locally

Also used for a second smaller oral history project that is currently online



# Assessing the OH 150 Platform

## Con

Would be at least somewhat difficult to implement elsewhere

METS template is fairly easy to master

TEI encoding is trivial

XSL components are much trickier, though OSU's code could likely be tweaked by someone with rudimentary knowledge of XSL

Requires custom CSS & graphic design from project to project

Requires a media host



# The Future of Oral History at OSU

In the process of implementing the  
Oral History Metadata Synchronizer

Web-based metadata editor developed at the  
University of Kentucky

Enables indexing as an alternative to full  
transcription

OHMS metadata objects exported out of  
OHMS editor and displayed within a  
CMS (Omeka, in our case)

Far less flexible or customizable than OH  
150, but much more extensible

The screenshot shows a video player interface for an oral history interview. At the top, the title is "Urmila Mali Oral History Interview, November 14, 2014". Below the title, it lists the participants: "Emilee Boyd, Jessica Tafoya, and Lauren Kimura, Interviewer | OH18-mali-urmila-20141114" and the source: "Oregon Multicultural Archives Oral History Collection". The video player shows a woman in a red shirt speaking. Below the video player is a transcript window. The transcript is titled "TRANSCRIPT" and "INDEX" and has a search bar. The transcript content is as follows:

**JT:** Our names are Jessica Tafoya and Emily Boyd. We are students in Oregon State University's U-Engage class, "Untold Stories, People of Color in Oregon." Today's date is November 14th 2014, and we are conducting an oral history interview with Urmila Mali.

**EB:** Please state your name and spell it out loud.

**UM:** So my name is Urmila Mali, it's U-R-M-I-L-A, and my last name is M-A-L-I.

**JT:** What is your birthdate and birthplace?

**UM:** My birthdate is November 3rd, 1969 and birthplace is Kathmandu, Nepal.

**EB:** With which ethnic or cultural backgrounds do you identify?

**UM:** So I am—depending on who I'm talking to, so I'll normally say Asian, but my ethnicity is Nepali and my background is Newari, which is my mother tongue as well.

**JT:** When and where were your parents born, and what are their backgrounds?

**UM:** So, my mom and dad both are Newari, they were both born in Kathmandu, Nepal. My dad was born in late '20s, and my mom was born in late '30s.

**EB:** Where did you grow up and where were you raised?

**UM:** So, I was born in Nepal, but I was raised in Tillamook, Oregon. So, I moved here in U.S. in 1979 and started school in Tillamook starting 4th grade and graduated from there.

**JT:** What was your transition from high school to college?

**UM:** For me the transition was, I was actually looking forward to coming to OSU

# Thank You!

`<p><hi rend="bold">Chris Petersen:</hi> Any questions?</p>`