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Guide to the Ewald W. Busse Interview, 2003

Ewald W. Busse was an early leader in the field of geriatric psychiatry and a founder of the Center for Aging and Human Development, Professor Emeritus of the Department of Psychiatry and Dean Emeritus of Medical and Allied Health Education at Duke University.

Descriptive Summary

Collection Title: Ewald W. Busse Interview, 2003

Creator: Busse, Ewald W., 1917-

Extent: 1 record storage box, 4 items, .5 linear feet

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Biographical/Historical Note

Ewald W. Busse was born in St. Louis, Mo. in 1917. He received a B.A. degree from Westminster College (Pa.), an M.D. from Washington University in St. Louis in 1942, and was awarded an Sc.D. degree from Westminster College in 1960. He obtained his psychiatric training at the University of Colorado Medical Center.

In 1953, Busse joined Duke University as chair of the Department of Psychiatry, a position he held until 1974. In 1965 he was named J.P. Gibbons Professor of Psychiatry. Busse was also dean of Medical and Allied Health Education at Duke University from 1974-1982.

Busse was the founding director of Duke University Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development, from 1957-1970. His research and professional awards include the Edward B. Allen Award, 1967; the Strecker Award, 1967; the Kleemeier Award, 1968; the Menninger Award, 1971; the Modern Medicine Award, 1972; the Freeman Award, 1978; the Thewlis Award, 1979; the Brookdale Award, 1982; and the Sandoz Award, 1983. He is among those listed

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, and he was part of the President's Biomedical Research Panel from 1957-1977.

Busse served as chair of the Advisory Committee on Geriatrics and Gerontology of the Veterans Administration, and as president of the American Psychiatric Association, the American Geriatrics Society, the Gerontological Society of America, the American Association of Departments of Psychiatry, the Southern Pacific Association, and the Southeastern Medical Dental Society. He was a member of the Academy of Sciences and the director of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Busse authored or coauthored over 200 scientific articles and edited several books including *Behavior and Adaptation in Late Life*

, *Mental Illness in Later Life*

, and

The Handbook of Geriatric Psychiatry

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Dr. Busse died in 2004.

Collection Overview

Contains audiotapes and transcript of oral history interview with Ewald W. Busse, professor emeritus of the Department of Psychiatry at Duke University.

Online Catalog Headings

Aging.

Duke University. Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development.

Duke University. Dept. of Psychiatry.

Electroencephalography.

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South America

University of Colorado

United States. Navy.

History of Medicine -- North Carolina -- Personal Narratives.

Oral histories.

Interviews.

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Detailed Description of the Collection

Interview on October 10, 2003

Dr. Busse discusses his background; his family; his education; his military duties; the Macy Foundation; Duke University Medical Center; the University of Colorado; EEG; aging; the Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development; the Department of Psychiatry at Duke; longitudinal studies of aging; the World Health Organization; the International Association of Gerontology; his studies in Central and South America; the Navy Research Committee; Duke University Medical Center's building fund; Dr. Bingham Dai; Dr. Wilbert Davison; Dr. Keith Brodie; and EEG use for professional boxers.

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Interview tapes [3 audiotapes (2 hours and 50 minutes total)]

Transcript [55 pages]