Overview of the Collection

Repository: The HistoryMakers® 1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com

Creator: Pugh, Roderick Wellington, 1919-2010

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Roderick Pugh,

Dates: December 16, 2005
Bulk Dates: 2005

Physical Description: 5 Betacame SP videocassettes (2:27:31).

Abstract: Psychology professor Roderick Pugh (1919 - 2010) was chief of psychological services at Hines V.A. Medical Center, and served as a professor of psychology at Loyola University Chicago from the 1960s until his retirement. Pugh has written extensively on African American issues in psychology and psychotherapy. Pugh was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on December 16, 2005, in Chicago, Illinois. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.

Identification: A2005_264

Language: The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Clinical psychologist Roderick Wellington Pugh was born on June 1, 1919, in Richmond, Kentucky. Pugh moved with his family to Dayton, Ohio when he was eleven years old. There, his father was one of several black doctors who lived in and served Dayton’s Westside community. Pugh graduated from Dayton’s integrated Steele High School in 1936. He attended Fisk University and graduated cum laude in 1940. Pugh went on to earn his masters degree in psychology from the Ohio State University in 1941. Pugh taught briefly at Albany State College in
Georgia. He then enlisted in the U.S. military and attained the rank of 2nd Lieutenant under General George S. Patton. He served in Germany before returning to the United States. Back home, Pugh studied psychology under Dr. Carl Rogers at the University of Chicago, where he made the Honor Society in psychology. Pugh obtained his Ph.D. degree in 1949.

Pugh worked for a time as chief of psychological services at Hines V.A. Medical Center. Pugh also served as a professor of psychology at Loyola University Chicago from the 1960s until his retirement. Pugh has written extensively on African American issues in psychology and psychotherapy. His articles have been featured in several publications, the majority of them dedicated to African American issues in psychology and psychotherapy. Pugh’s most recognized work is his *Psychology and the Black Experience*, published in 1972, which was widely used in college classrooms.

A member of the American Psychological Association and the Illinois Psychological Association, Pugh served as a diplomat for the American Board of Professional Psychologists. An esteemed international orator, Pugh has given numerous speeches internationally in a variety of places, including Chung Chi College in Hong Kong, Fisk University in Tennessee, and the University of Ibadan in Nigeria. He was a longtime resident of Chicago’s Hyde Park community, but often returned to Dayton’s Wayman A.M.E. Church to visit friends and family.

Pugh passed away on November 13, 2010 at the age of 91.

Roderick Pugh was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on December 16, 2005.

**Scope and Content**

This life oral history interview with Roderick Pugh was conducted by Larry Crowe on December 16, 2005, in Chicago, Illinois, and was recorded on 5 Betacame SP videocassettes. Psychology professor Roderick Pugh (1919 - 2010) was chief of psychological services at Hines V.A. Medical Center, and served as a professor of psychology at Loyola University Chicago from the 1960s until his retirement. Pugh has written extensively on African American issues in psychology and psychotherapy.

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Persons:

Pugh, Roderick Wellington, 1919-2010
Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)
Stearns, Scott (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews
Pugh, Roderick Wellington, 1919-2010--Interviews
Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Loyola University of Chicago

Occupations:

Psychology Professor

HistoryMakers® Category:

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Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Preferred Citation


Processing Information
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Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

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