

(Yeah, they're all gone now and Clare Robinson she was a Ward. And I think it was her daddy that I think that Ward School was named after.)

I didn't know who she was but--

(Yeah, I remember now. Yeah all those folks are all gone now. And even those little towns are just about gone. Bushyhead--they quit having school.

(Don't have school there anymore, no.)

They ought to tear it down.

(It's a big place too.)

Pretty good size.

(And there's nothing left of the old settlement there of Oowala, no store or anything there anymore--no church. Well, this was just wide open country in a way, long time ago, wasn't it?)

NEIGHBORS LIVED FAR APART

Well, there used to be houses far apart. See this creek down here cross sometime.

(Yeah.)

There were a few houses along the creek. All through these hills there wasn't no houses, you might say.

(Yeah.)

There's be one neighbor five or six miles or something. (sentence not clear)

I know John (name not clear) lived up here by this schoolhouse. And

there wasn't no house close. Go down--it's not too far from the creek--

up in here--then down to Hooney McCoy's place. Then on down towards Claremore. Right down there and past Claremore.

(Well, neighbors were pretty valuable in those days. You had to take good care of them, didn't you?)

Oh, yeah. Had to take care of them. (laughter)

(Couldn't do without them.)