

Maggie: Rosie's mother? He died before you all moved down here, didn't he. And Stella, I got her picture somewhere.

Old Ross's mama is light as I am I know that.

(Yeah, he's light.)

But that don't prove he's a white, but that's what he is.

(But Glenn and them won't claim him, huh?)

No. He is afraid that he might get some property, you know that them boys had. That's what he don't prove. I don't believe that way myself, but 'cause the person entitled ought to get it and if he ain't--ain't supposed to well--

(Well, also because Ross's mother was never really married to Ross's father and then she--later on she married this other man. She actually married this other man, didn't she. The Indian man and then they just gave Ross his name, didn't they?)

Yeah.

Maggie: Yeah. Went away to Claremore, you know.

(But actually, he is a Farmer, right?)

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Well, I don't know. I don't understand that myself. Like you say she married another man. We had a court one time. I'm going to tell you just what happened. You know Jess Whitely, don't you?

(I've heard you all speak of him, I think.)

Maggie: That's Darlene's brother.

(Uh-huh. Jess?)

Uh-huh. They sent him to the penitentiary. He had this Katie--

Maggie: Grasshopper

Grasshopper, Dick Grasshopper's wife then. They been living together about