

down there were called the Absentt Shawnees. They went back.

They deserted the tribe and went back.

(Back up into Kansas?)

Yeah. They went back up in there somewhere. They--

(Yeah, there was a place in Kansas, I remember called Shawnee Mission, or something.)

Well, now we all come down together, but then they went back.

And I guess they got moved back here later. They come on down yonder. Because they signed a treaty with the rest of the tribe giving up all their claims. But when all this money went through, why it was made before--That old school house is still standing.

But it ain't going to stand much longer.

(Where is it located?)

Three miles north and half mile west.'

(Yeah, I think I know about where that would be.)

They used to come. 'Course that was the days when there wasn't much doing. It was down below Wyandotte there. When I was a kid, everyone went down there a lot. They had what you call the green corn. That's an old field now. Used to be able to attract a lot of people when everything was going.

(Yeah. Well, do the Wyandottes still have meetings as a tribe?)

Oh, they have their--They're recognized and they have a meeting occasionally. Elect their officers.

/Interruption/

(Leonard Potter.)

/Interruption./

--sister--The Crow outfit down there.

(Yeah.)

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At Vinita. Well, White Oak, actually.