

Graham Community Center, and we are interested in getting our polls back." And I told why, and you know, talked to her quite awhile about getting the polls back. And she said--this was Mrs. Hearn--she said "We will see about that." Said "I'll call--I will have to call the State Election Board on Tuesday or Wednesday and I'll let you know after that what they say." And Basil Wilson was the election--State Election Secretary--election board secretary. So she said, "I'll talk to him and see what he says." Well, in a couple of days she called and she said, "Well, Mrs. Fife, Mr. Wilson says you can get your polls back, but it will be in January." I said, "Why in January? Why can't we have them back now?" And she said "Well, there's something about the election ballot--the ballots are going to press." I said, "I know they are going to press, but the filing period is not even over. How are they going to press until the filing period is over. You can't print the ballots until you know who is going to file for the office and I know for a fact that the filing period is still open. So, why can't we have our--why can't he just put in our order--the order for our ballots with everybody else's and let us vote this summer?" She said, "Well, I don't know, but I'll talk about it to him again." I said, "Alright, I have already written letters to representative Allard and Senator John Young and so maybe they can help." So in a little while--I believe it was the very same day, I had a phone call from Mr. Allard and he told me that he and John Young were going to see Basil Wilson that day. (Laughter) So I said, "Well, at any rate we have this meeting called and we are going to sign a petition", you know, "To get our ballots back." I said, "You are welcome to come. We'd like to have you there." She said, "Alright." So, in a day or two--the meeting was called for Friday evening--I believe that was on Wednesday I talked to her, and on Friday, she said, "Is the meeting still on?" I said, "Yes, it is." And she said, "I'll be there." Well, it rained all day that day and many of the driveways were washed out. We couldn't even, you know, some of the people couldn't even, you know, some of the people couldn't even get out of their driveways to come to the meeting. But we had about 25 people there I think--between 20