there until he died there. He had a store there. There was a little community out west or north of Jay - between Jay and Grove. And when they first got into statehood Grove was the County seat and was established there temporarily, until they had an election and they moved it to the center of the County. And a man by the name of Jay Washburn owned this ten acres that was right in the geographical center of Delaware County. And he gave it to this county - deeded the county the site for the courthouse. 'Course then he laid off blocks there and built the town called Jay.

(Do you have any idea when they established Jay?)

Well, it was about 1910, I guess. It was somewhere about that time, because it was three or four years after statehood. They had quite a time over getting that - moving the records from Grove to Jay. They sure was determined that they was going to keep that County seat at Grove. Jay won out.

QUALIFICATIONS OF SCHOOL TEACHERS IN EARLY DAYS

Mrs. Welch: That family you know, he was the teacher there. When he got ready, he says, "Two reader class now rise." And Uncle John says all those little boys went up there. And they already had a recitation bench up in front of all the seats, you know. They had to go up there and sit in front of the teacher to have their class, you know. And they said he said, they were havin' class and the teacher said, "John Watermelon, put that wasp in your pocket. Don't you put that down that boy's neck." (Laughter) He said that was the way - the kind of teachers that Oklahoma had at first. Well, even - I think that was in territorial days. Before that just anybody that thought they were capable could teach school.

Mr. Welch: This woman that I was talking about, this Marys, Trixie Mays, she got her first certificate and my Uncle John Butler give it to her. The first certificate. And she taught school then for years and years around here.