

he went running back on these benches made out of logs. Running back there, and when he got back there, this one boy left and he was stooped over like this. That was the way they described it. And the boy says, "I'm stabbed with a knife." So he, Charlie here, says, "Where?" He says, "Right in my side here." So Charlie got in there and the knife was still in the boy. Charlie pulled that knife out and threwed it down on the ground. And this boy went home and told his parents that Charlie Wickliff stabbed him with a knife. Next morning come to Pryor and got their officers and swore a warrent for him. Charlie refused to be arrested. He said, "I didn't do it. I got the knife out of the boy to save his life. I think I tried to do him good." He said, "I refuse to be arrested." And they had kind of a rough-house there for a little while and he took the gun away from the officer and told him to go back to Pryor. So then they got out a warrent to get him, dead or alive. They got scouts. Henry Holderman, Bob Thompson, Gilstrap's son-in-law, played detective. They went over there and they looked in the house, try to see where they at. They go to the house and they couldn't even find him. Nothing like that. They finally - one evening they saw a fire burning up in the hills and they got up close enough and they saw it was the three Wickliff boys, John, Tom, and Charlie. They knew them personally. So they - Henry Holderman went to Vinita and Bob Thompson went to Little Kansas and Tahlequah and got news to Sam Walker at Tahlequah. Got Gilstrap and Henry Holderman got the officers from Vinita and got blood hounds, old Tittle, he had blood hounds. So they killed one blood hound. And the way both done, when he left the scene, he took his gun and belt off first, throwed it down. Then he took his coat off and took his vest off and then he took his shoes off, for this hound to trail him. And that's how the hound came to him and that's how Jess Butler knew that this ((word not clear)) was and they killed them all. They killed them all, see? That's all they could tell Jess. So he went up there to find out what all happened. Gilstrap was killed and one of the horses killed one of the