

company in St. Louis and he would haul wanted lumber to St. Louis with an oxen team and it would take him six weeks to get to St. Louis and almost six weeks to get back. He would bring a few things with him. He said, one time, he pulled a rake--a hay rake behind him. Said he had a dickens of a time getting back to that town with that rake you know.

(That's a long way up there.)

Yes it is. I couldn't help but think about a year ago we was coming out of Chicago and the pilot announces we're over St. Louis and I said "I'm going to see how long it takes to get to Tulsa." And it took us thirty-two minutes to get to Tulsa. That's on 33, just between after you got on down beyond Chouteau got down in that Verdigris bottom down there, now you talk about mud. I used to have an old Dodge car. I don't know yet how I got through that mud, but I managed to get through it.

STORY OF GUNNER FAMILY

There is a grove right around here, his tombstone and grave is in the front yard. Right out here northwest of town. We talked about it yesterday. I almost drove out there and get the photograph of that.

(Now what is his name?)

His name is Gunner. His name is Reverend Gunner. He was a missionary preacher among the Cherokees here. Methodist preacher. You know they didn't do a whole lot of missionary work--the Methodist didn't do a whole lot of missionary work. They've changed it some. Mostly Baptist.

(Was he originally from this country?)

Yeah, he was from Gumer, Gunner's Landing. But now it's called Gunnerville down close to that down in that (word not clear) country down in there.

(Oh, in Alabama?)

Yeah.

(Gunnerville, Alabama, that's where he was from?)

That's where he was from. I think the town they lived there and this place,