

oh he had cotton gin, but I don't remember him, but Willis had the store about the time we was married and all its been quite a long time.

That was a lotta years in there y'know because I like to never got to get drunk. (laughter)

(What was that old store like that was at Wahillua. Was that the one that was in that old log house?)

No. That, you mean where the -- Well, as far back as I can remember of its originating there was old man Rheuback Keyes that Cap Wilhite's uncle by marriage. He had a store there when I can just barely remember. And he passed

away and left old (not clear) settlers y'know and they had that log house.

Well Cap's house sets I guess pretty near square on that old store buildin's site now. The residence was just a little bit east and a little bit north, jest a few steps east and north of the store building and Levi Keyes was operatin' the store there when I can first remember anything about things there and he passed away and I don't know what went with his store or anything.

But Dad had a store bout a half a mile right on up the road toward Tahlequah y'know. Tahlequah's next place up there -- so our house burned down on the farm and he rented this building from Aunt Lucinda and moved his stock groceries from up the other place up to that building and they had two great big ware rooms on the back y'know and we lived in that then till he got a house built.

SCHOOLS

(Was there a school there at that time?)

Oh no. The schools were jest about beginning to try to have some schools to my knowledge, and down at the cemetery, about where that big gate goes in through the fence there now, they was an old log building and they had a little school there and Tom went to it, I never did go.