

No, they were here about the time the railroad went through. I don't remember when that was.

(In about 1881, somewhere around there, maybe before.)

Oh it was long before that maybe '70 or '75.

(Somewhere around there. I know it was long time ago.)

I don't remember. You know, you just get to where you don't remember everything.

(Do you recall, who put in the first store here at Bushyhead?)

Well, I think it was J. W. Stewart. You could get that information from Martha Road at Tulsa. Now as well as I remember it, you see they tried to make Bushy, make a little town out of Bushy here. And they bought that land down there and this land right in front of the house, was up for sale. And my mother was full-blood enough she didn't want to be surrounded by white people. So she bought this. They had, sold it to the highest bidder. She bought that right there to keep them out. And after they couldn't get any land grant why they had to move out. J. W. Stewart as I remember, I can remember correctly he owned the first store. I don't know where they got the mail. I really don't know.

(They didn't have any post office around--)

No. And where they got their mail, I don't know. They didn't have any mail carrier in them days. But I just don't know.

(Well, has Bushyhead ever had a post office?)

Oh, no no, yes.

(At one time.)

It had a post office till a few years ago.

SCHOOLS AT BUSHYHEAD AREA. SHE WENT ELSEWHERE

(And the school, how long have they had a school here?)