

People came in here, and these doctors around here, they got on him and tried to stop him. And the (words not clear), "Why you've got a doctor down there. We're going to take him out." (laughter) They didn't. They saved a lot of people. Him and her, they worked together quite a bit. (Well, of course, in those days, you didn't have too many doctors available.) Couldn't hardly get one down here. And just like getting a veterinarian when you did. It'd be about fifteen or twenty dollars then. We were just talking the other day what doctors get. They couldn't hardly get enough gas to get very far from town, old Motel-T. Then, over there, Dr. Cooks got office. He built a fine home up on side of that hill. I don't know how many thousand dollars he spent on it. It burned before he got in. He rebuilt it. (static)

TRAVEL BY TRAIN - TELEPHONE

(Well, that train was your way of getting in and out, wasn't it?)

Oh, yes. Two day trains and two night trains. And we had a local each way. And they'd accomodate you. They'd let you off up and down the road.

(Well.)

They didn't gave to. They just accomodate us. And by the way Charley Wells, he's got a drug store at Stilwell. He and I had the only phones between here and Stilwell to Sallisaw, to Marble City. And we had the phones.

(Yeah.)

And old Doc Helcum from Marble City--and all up in the mountain country, they used a team, you know. And he come up here and Mr. (word not clear) furnished him a horse. He would take a freight train and he drop off here. Then get a horse and go over there, you know, and come by when they had to have medicine.

(Yeah.)