

TOWN OF STRANG - CRAIG COUNTY

(Who put in the first store here in Strang, do you remember?)

Huh?

(Who put in the first store?)

Why--Well, the first real store was right up there ~~where~~ that building is falling and it was a man Anders Craig, Old Man Craig.

(Carig. Old man Craig.)

Yeah. Then the old man died and his son, Granville took it over.

(Yeah.)

And Granville died and his son, Gene took it over. Then Gene finally had a heart attack and so he sold out and the folks that are up here now, their name is Carver.

(Craig county was named after him.)

I think so.

(Yeah, that's right, after the old man. I wonder who Strang was named after?

How was it named? This town of Strang?).

The town?

STRANG WAS A SHIPPING CENTER - STOCKYARDS - GRAIN AND RAILROAD TIES

(Who was it named for?)

Yeah. Well, there was an old man (not clear). That was before our time.

I don't know whether the old man had moved away or what but it was named for old Man Strang. The town blew up and so much quitting and all. A lot of people left here, you know. This place used to--well there was the stockyards right out there. They loaded stock here and right up--about half way up there clear to the street was tie yard where loaded railroad ties. Indians and those fellas brought ties in. And then on this side, up yonder, just this side of the street was a shipping place for wheat. And old man Smith, Bob Smith from across the river owned it, and he made good. Why they loaded