

(By the snake?)

Uh-hum. And it would raise up about three feet off the ground.

(The snake would?)

Yeah. With it's head and strike at us.

(Good night.)

And Anna says, "Oh my goodness don't get so close." I says, she says, "They'll throw their poison and it'll kill you." But I was wanting to kill that snake and I never stopped till I killed it. And I got --

MATTIE'S FATHER WAS A REMARKABLE PERSON - GRANDCHILDREN LOVED HIM

(You lived out in the country in tents and everything else during your life and log cabins and dugouts.)

Oh, everything, dugouts and everything.

(Wagons.)

Lived under a tarpaulin out there at your grandpa's one time.

(Uh-hum.)

And like Maud Timmons said, she said she come to my house one time when we lived in a tent out there and she told me here while back, last time I seen her, she said, "Mattie I never did see your house dirty." She said, "When you lived in the tent it was cleaner than any house." And so she, but I had to have white sheets on the bed and them kids knowed never to get on the bed.

(I remember coming out there down the creek when you lived down on the creek at grandpa's.)

Yes.

(I can remember riding out in the wagon with him. It was about eight miles out there wasn't it, Pawhuska. He used to come get me, wrap me up in a quilt and put me in the bottom of the wagon and drive the team back. He used to