

He was sickly-like then. And the doctor said he was sick and he couldn't get well. He'll die and said he won't get old, he won't grow unless you take him. That's what he told my mother. And said if he live with his parents why, he won't live. And my mother had to take him and she raised him. And after he was old enough to go to school about the sixth grade I think, he was sent to Chilocco and he graduated at Haskell. He's now living in Tulsa. He's got a family. He's big and he's a happy man. My mother raised him.

(Why did the doctors say that he would die? Why did your mother have to take him?)

Cause they had lost about two, three children who didn't live. And he was about the fourth one.

(Oh)

They said some way they couldn't live. But after that they had some more children and they all lived. But they lost one Tommy in the service. He was the oldest.

(How many children did he leave, your brother, Dan?)

He left two little girls, Scott, I think a little one, lost a boy.

(Oh. Do you think they can ride horses now?)

They can't. My brother's, he's about seventy nine or eighty, my oldest brother. And John, he's about seventy eight or seventy nine but they both seem to be happy in their work. They walk fast. And some people at that age are in nursing homes and they still running around. But I know they can't ride horses but Dan drives a car. He can't hardly see though, but he still hanging around. But Benny, the one, we grew up together, he's the youngest one of them boys and he looks so old and he's sickly like and he can't work and he just stays home. He retired from carrying mail so he don't have to work anyway but he's no count now.