

tale, he said that they told this rabbit to go around this stump four times and he would be all right. So rabbit went around stump. He started going around and he died before he made it the fourth time. He said that was only a tale. And so as we went of talking he talked about how he lived in that one little log house and he said times were pretty hard now. He said, the Indians ways were all right in back those days. But now he said white man's ways and laws it was hard. He said back in the Indian days they were the best days, that he could remember. He said they used to visit. Too many white people now. There were no nursing homes in those days. There were a lot of kin-folks. Right now he had three kin-folks at Ofuskee Church. They were Willie Kelly, Nathaniel Kelly, and Betty Kelly. Their father, James Kelly, was the scⁿ of John Kelly. John Kelly was Charlie Bruner's mother's brother. They were his close kin-folks. He told about these Indians burying their dead. He said that when they dug, the ground, the top part was wider than the bottom part. Then they would dig the ground so far and then they dug a small one down there at the bottom, big enough to put the casket in. They they would put boards on it, and throw the dirt on top of it. Now, when they dig the ground for a casket they just dig straight down, but it didn't used to be the Indian way a long time ago. All of that has been changed. He talked about the Indians playing ball. They had a big long pole standing up, and they had something way on top and then the women and the men folk played. If the women hit their bulls-eye they scored. If they made five scores they would win the game. But if the men folk did that first, they would be the winners. He was telling about the Indian ball games they had. Then he said that he would like to remember all of those things back in those days but he just couldn't remember them. He told enough about how to make abuski, we call it parched corn. I did my very best to interpret what