

month going over there horseback. No house. If you have to get sick on the way, it would be too bad.

(Yeah. Was that John McIntosh?)

That's right. That was my father.

(Oh, he was your father?)

Yep. He never did say what kind of horse he was riding, but I just had it figured that he was riding a kind of a dark-looking bay horse. There used to be an old woman there. Her name was Smith. She said I used to feed John McIntosh when I was just a girl, small girl, when I was going to Riverside School House--school, she said. She said, she had heard of that man, John McIntosh. And she said he was going to baptize lot of people there one Sunday. She said, in our language we call 'em drowning 'em, drowning 'em in water.

(Yeah)

She said that's our language. She said word come out that John McIntosh was going to drown lots of people in that Washita River one Sunday. So she said, we was--we was at the school house. They brought us over there. Said oh that was the first time any baptism what ever happened over there. So, the people from everywhere. Oh, she said, there was a bunch of people down there. Great bunch. Said us kids we just go right close up to the water where he was--She said he was a straight bearded man. Looked good, she said, looked good like the picture of Jesus Christ. Said we was right close to him. He'd take 'em down to the river, baptize 'em, bring 'em out, lead another one down there. She said people was interested in that 'cause that's the first time that thing like that even happened. But he said long time ago there was an old Indian that prophesied that there's going to be a good thing come from the east here someday. But they didn't know, didn't say what. She said he said later they come to find out that that was what the Indian prophesizing about. That gospel that come from the east. John McIntosh was the man that brought it there. That was the first gospel that was preached there.

(Yeah)

That memorial stone that's standing there in front of the church house, my father's name on it. It wrote on there that the first gospel that was preached was John 3:16, it says.