

(That's unusual, isn't it? For nowadays people...)

RAISING TOBACCO IN EARLY DAYS

I had a lot of fun out of that. Teacher over at the Indian school, he comes over once in a while. He'd give them kids tobacco.

(Yeah. You had little garden spot back here where you grow your tobacco?)

Yeah. Had awful bad luck with it this year. Just a little bit of a spot that I work on. I picked a hundred quarts of strawberries.

(Is tobacco hard to grow?)

It's a hard thing to get started. When the leaves go to seed...

(Yeah.)

I had /not clear/ tobacco, but I had my grandfather's /not clear/. My great-grandfather was killed in Waterloo, North Carolina in the Revolutionary War. And my other grandfather. Both of grandfathers was captains in the Civil War? But one was one side and one was on the other.

(Yeah.)

And I had these grandseas didn't know what tobacco was. I don't know what a /not clear/. He was born, I think, in Bracken county, Virginia. Went on and told his trade.

(Yeah.)

Later went to /not clear/. --together.

(Yeah.)

And --

(Yeah.)

So he come along. --- They didn't want to use it. They just wanted it, for /words not clear/.

(Yeah. It's unusual to find anyone that's got homegrown tobacco.)

I guess if I had kept quiet, I got a picture of one here, if I can find it. Come up here from Tulsa. They put it in the Tulsa World.

Oh, it grew up. Pretty near seven feet tall. Way up high. High