

country was Bartlesville, 1879. They drilled a water well up there back of Big Canyon and come in oil well to drill down a Big Canyon. And so, it was Big Canyon down, wasn't any good. He was wanting to go down to another thing of water, you know.

(Oh, I see.)

So, he went down and I think it just some seventy feet, and he got oil. /laughter/ Well, my daddy and his brothers lived in Bartlesville and he used to go there and get that oil to kill the lice on the hogs. /laughter/ And he said that that boy knew what to do with that oil. It wasn't no market for it. Couldn't do nothing with it. And I was in Bartlesville in 1910, and was practicing veterinarian surgery, I had just come out of there. And so, I was there when the first commercial oil was come in. First commercial oil was brought in up there. They give Frank Phillips company credit for originating the oil business in Bartlesville. Well, he never done it cause I was there. Old T. N. Barndale come down there, and he got the first oil well there. And then National Oil and Development come in, a bunch of Jews. They was there first along with Barnsdall. And Finance Oil Company gave them some there and produced some oil. Frank Phillips as far as I know, never come in until 1912. But he done more, produced more oil up there than any other down there. And here, old Charlie Peters and Jim Higgins drilled in the first oil north of the cemetery. And he got a hundred bafrel well there and drilled by the Finance Oil Company. Old Jim Higgins, he was drilling superintendent for them. And Charlie Peters and the lease. And both of them went to school to my uncle up here when they was kids at Cedarville, Kansas.

(Oh.)

So, they got that in 1916. There was oil discovered in that Gray Horse field before then. And, oh, I went over to Guthrie and took