having a baby.

(Why?)

I don't know...there's a saying to that, but I don't know what it is. But they never let us. Well, when I was about eleven years old, she started explaining things to me, and then, let's see, oh, it must have been about that time, she told me, "If you let a boy kiss you, you're going to have a baby," you know." And I got scared then, you know, so I never would, you know, until later on when I went to school, and I had a real good teacher, and he was telling us this and that, and I said, "Boy, what I been missing!" (Is there any special celebration at the birth of a child?)

CELEBRATION OF BIRTH OF FIRST GRANDCHILD

Well, the first grandchild, people, the grandparents, they think a lot of their first grandchild, you know, and they try... if somebody was to come when you brought your baby home, well, you'd give them something, you know. Or maybe they'd sit down and eat with you.

(Was there anything you were supposed to do after Carl was born?)

CARL'S ADJUSTMENT TO HAROLD

No, I was mostly afraid because I wasn't married at this time, you know, and I thought my mother and father would disown me and my baby.

But from the time we came home, my mother and father took my baby and even now my child would rather be around his grandfather than around me. But when people come he come up to me, you know, and act like he's healous over me, but he just does that. And it took