

thing. You don't know what they're talking about. When you have visitors I was always glad. Grandma would tell us, "You all go off," we never heard what they had to talk about so that was privately for their own conversation and we went off and played. We never not a thing did we hear about what the old folks had to converse about. That was one of the main and now days, you just have to put near kick them out of your way before you could converse about anything. Especially if it was tied to business.

(What about older women? Did they stay in the house when someone come to visit?)

Oh yes.

(Did they talk too?)

Oh yes, they did. The older people did but the..it's the children.

(What if a man came over to the house? Would his wife stay in the room?)

Oh yes, all of them. Just the children. And besides you weren't supposed to ask any questions. If you were commanded to do anything you had to do that and there was no sassing back or anything.

AVOIDANCE RESTRICTIONS:

(Were there any certain animals that your mother or father told you to stay away from?)

Well, just like today. Keeps kids from being hurt. Like horses or something like that. You might get kicked. Don't pet a strange dog or something like that. They might bite you. That's the same with that.

(Did they ever tell you to keep away from snakes?)

Oh yes. Definatly.

(Did they let animals in the house?)

No, the dog's place is outside.