

the baby.

(Was the person who took care of the woman a relative or friend?)

I guess friends or something like that. Not close relatives--just so far take care of 'em.

(Could a pregnant woman go around anybody or any place?)

Yeah. Can go around but can't be with ah--well, one thing when you're pregnant like that when somebody dies you can't go there.

That's the way I believe--our people.

(Do you know why?)

Well, they say some times it deformed in some way.

(What?)

It won't be right you know--the child. Sometimes your eyes you know be crossed eyes or you can't talk you know. They say there's one girl a young girl. Her daddy died and she wanted to go over there (to the funeral). She say one old lady said well let her go. And they told her don't think nothing when you go to see your daddy. And she said she went over there and when her baby was born--she said her mouth was one-sided. They told her what did you think when you went to see your daddy. And she said how come my daddy died anyway. He ought to be living. And he show gonna get after me for thinking that. And that's the reason why her mouth was one-sided. And she believed than. All the young people believed it. See when I went up to California here a little while ago, when my son-in-law died. Well, I got a granddaughter. She just got married and gonna have a baby and she asked me, said Grandma Mama told me that I can't go and see my uncle. I told her well that's the believe we have. You can't go over there and see him. So she didn't go.

(Can a woman who is pregnant eat anything?)

Yeah. She can eat anything they want to eat while they're carrying