

FIRST SETTLING IN OKLAHOMA:

--he didn't get through with his work so we could leave. And he rented a small farm, about 30 acres, I think just outside of Arlington and we lived there a year until the 24th of November. Then we--

(In '98?)

In '98. And then we started to--out here and got to--I believe we stayed somewhere near Ft. Worth our first night. And we stayed at Kakota the next night. I can remember when I think about my mother had a cousin there and she died. My brother and sister went and stayed with them. My father and the rest of the group there was--I guess 2 covered wagons and about 60 head of stock, and my half-sister and her husband, and a half-brother and my father and then he had a bunch of men driving his stock. They just boys that wanted to come west. And he gave them their trip to look after the stock. And their board and so on. We had a big tent and instead of--my mother didn't like to stay at a wagon--in a wagon yard so we--he had to put our stock in the wagon yard for safe keepin' over night. Well, he just pitched the tent outside, somewhere out of town and we sleep in the tent. And some of the bunch sleep in the wagons of course. And my mother brought her surey, one of those bla surey's with the fringe around the top. You read about them now. And so she and I had curtains all the way around it. She had--with children and my half-sister and her baby, we rode in that. And we got to Mangomuh, Granite just about oh, just before night and it was coming up an aw storm. That night it came almost a 3 foot snow in--I don't know what I said, but in Burna, there's where it was where we stayed that night, and we went to the--had to go and stay in the wagon yard. They had bunks but my folks wouldn't use them, they had an extra room on the