

trying to avoid for us, you know, to keep us out of trouble. And, but we couldn't see that, course we thought that we was pretty smart, you know. But I remember one time I was I-guess 15 or 16 years old. We was up at -- and working you know that's the time I -- out five acres of blackjack. And grandmother and my sister had trapped a bunch of wild turkey and wild turkeys see, and one time while she was gone, well the turkeys disappeared. You know, she had 'em pinned up and she had a padlock on them--the gate. But the padlock was still padlocked, but the turkeys was gone see. Well, she found 'em cross the road down in a woman's pen and so now grandma wouldn't go on the peoples property because hse knew that if she didn' she'd be in the wrong, you know. Well it was gettin' pretty near time for me to be in goin' home, so I didn't go to school. And so grandma said, "hart, she says, you go on up to the house and see old lady so and so's home." she says, "~~if she's not home, you go up there and let them know what~~ kind of turkeys out." Well, I knew not to, you know not to do that. I knew that was wrong. I knew that I could get in jail, but I also knew if granma had anything to say about it, I wasn't gonna get in jail. So I let the turkeys out and I just drove them back up to granny's. Well, this woman, she filled charges against grandma. Well, fullie, everybody in that whole country around there knew those dang turkeys was grandma's well that old woman didn't know, she didn't know grandma had marked 'em. Grandma had a little marking THING, just like a stapler you know, and she had already had her initials in. And it just cut that initial right into the wing of that turkey see. And that old lady of course didn't know it. So grandma anyway it kept hanging in court, well, grandma was a little dirty, you know, anyway to get her win, you know, she was right in one sense of the word, you know what I mean, the turkeys did belong to her--but she figured maybe she would loose 'em see so she just went over there and told that old judge she said, "You just keep that dang case hain' th that old gal's got a cancer and she's gonna die." That's what they did, they just kept it hangin' in court till that lady died. She weighed 350 pounds and she come down with you know, where seh got bedfast and she died in 'bout six months later and she weighed bout seventy pounds. That woman did. I could tell you her name, she got some folks right here, right now.