

to work here as a little boy and sweeping floor and different things. And I enjoyed the friendship of the people in the community and I felt at home the first day I landed. And the nice spirits and more like a family affair. And so when the World War I broke out, I been in this country six years, not even a citizen yet. And they cannot send me across the water because I gotta become a citizen before I can fight for the country. And unless I decided to become a citizen, they cannot send me across. I told them that I enjoyed in the six years the friendship and so much freedom that anyone who lives so free country should be willing to fight for it. And I was glad to become a citizen and send me across next few weeks across the water and was in France and Germany for six months. And six months, I stayed in German occupation after the war. Then I came back to United States again and reached all my friends and they glad to see me back. And I have enjoyed my life ever since and naturally in a business was as in health and such a nice warm friendship. It's nothing to buy two things in life is worthwhile, his health and friends and which I enjoy now at my age of almost 75 years old. And so that why I stay in this community so long. Because I was afraid I wouldn't find a better community and I decided to stay here.

(You never lived any place else?)

I've never lived any place else in United States except here. 'Course I traveled in many places in United States and Canada, and California, but I never went back to my homeland. I never had the desire. Probably, I am not patriotic to the place I was born. (--) But I never had the desire. Because my real sentiment was born here all my life. Because I come when I was 18 years and I got adopted to it and maybe --oh,