

two after that and I said Clemus what in the world is (Cherokee word)

"Oh," he said "that's vinegar." I said, "Well your aunt was down here the other day and she didn't know what it was in English." He said, "Well she was lying, said she could talk English as good as I can."

Well she probably knew I didn't know. Saturday morning he came down to that store afoot that in the store, and he bought the coffee, he bought a dollars worth of green coffee and then along up in the day his daughter sent him down there to buy the groceries.

(Let's see, that was Jim Christie?)

Jim Christie. Old Man Jim.

(I wonder why he would do that?)

WHAT IS AN OAT CRADLE?

Well, he probably needed some exercise you know, and they just take that walk. I know I sold him a grain cradle while I was there in at dealings. It was knocked down. And I remember what I got for it, I got \$5.00 for it, and he wanted me to put it up and I put it up. And he carried it home. And I asked him how many oats he had, he told me 8 acres. He's going to put 8 acres of oats in. I said how old are you Jim, and he was 75 years old then. Oh, dad said in the early days he was a cradler from a way back.

(How--what was the process of cradling, how do you cradle? I've seen them but I don't--wouldn't know how to use one.)

Well they just take a swip you know and then lay it down and another swip and take your hand up and down those fingers, just pile it up you know. And then the binder comes along the boy that binds it and picks these up and binds it. Boy, they could really make those cradles ring.

(That would be interesting to see. I don't guess there's anyone that could do that now is there?)

Probably not.

(That's a art of it (not clear) that's lost.)