

He left and never did come to town. His guardian used to send him stuff.

(Well, I thought, I mean, where I got that I thought that he was supposed to have died and come back to life and they said he just must have been in a coma.)

I imagine. It could have been that way cause--but I don't know. Kaye and I were talking about it one time. We heard our mother talking about him and she always seemed like she wasn't afraid of him but--course she'd try to scare me to get me home. But that didn't work. After that she used to say, they say your grandpa went by. (Laughter)

(Did he have any family?)

Huh-huh. Not that I know of. But they said you know, that--we always called him grandpa because John was the only relative he had. I wouldn't know.

(John Wago?)

Uh-huh. And you know he got his estate.

(Oh, he did?)

Uh-huh. Oh they was a long time about it. But he finally got it. There was several of them come in on it. They said why won'd you put your claim in there. I said, "Well, I ain't kin to him." They said, well, everybody else is! I know we read in a western story about him one time, it made me so mad. People feared him, and everybody'd shun him. You know my folks always told me never treat anybody that way, always treat 'em good. She always said "You might get to be like that or one of your children might be like that." So I guess I always listened to her even if she wasn't--mother wasn't educated but I think she know--she's a lot smarter than some of ones that are educated.

(Well, I read an article in the Tulsa World about him. It said he left town and never did come back.)

Well, that's when they killed--see they killed his dogs, law did. And he never did come back to town after that.

(He used to--I guess kinda--a lot of people use to use him to scare the kids.

'Cause mama said they used to say something about him.)