

They made a very attractive place out of it. Have you been out there to it? Several of those officers from Ft. Gibson, General Taylor and Robert E. Lee those men went to dances out there. Not only that, but they went to dances and parties at the Female Seminary. We don't have any record of it but I'm just as sure as I'm sitting here that those men attended those parties and receptions and dances. My father said "If you boys win that game"-- we were going to play Durant--said "If you win that game this afternoon," said "I'll let you go to St. Louis and let you see Jim Thorpe play." So we--that was 1904--no not 1908, 1909 I guess. Maybe '07, anyway, I got to go to St. Louis and see Jim Thorpe play, St. Louis University. Years later, I heard Will Rogers on the radio talking about that game. He and his wife, she--he'd gotten married-- Betty Rogers over here at Rogers, Arkansas, and they were on their honeymoon and they stopped over and he was at the game and was talking about it.

OKLAHOMA BECAME A STATE IN 1907

(What do you remember of the event of Indian Territory becoming a part of Oklahoma? Do you remember that? It was in 1907. How the people felt about it?)
No, I never did pay much attention to it. I knew it was coming into a state, but somehow or another it didn't--

(Did you ever hear any people express their opinion as to--)

I don't recall, Jim, as I ever heard anyone express their opinion either way about it. They just accepted that the constitution convention had, it you know.

(Well, before statehood the Indian Territory had their representatives in over at Guthrie, didn't they? Oklahoma City?)

I can't remember--

(Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory and I've often wondered what happened when they merged as a state.)

FAMILY - HOME AND CEMETERY

--my sister was married to John Cavelier at Locust Grove, you know. All of them boys about 8 boys and they raised a large family and still living up there.