

seventy-five dollars a month. So they got me quarters here in town. Then there was an Indian janitor here at that time so he had a wife and he made me move in with him. Lived northeast of town, here. And we had lot of Indian business. We had Colong, Seiling, Custer County and Dewey County and Kingfisher County-- Indians used to come in and borrow money from this bank. I took care of all that.

(Had you already been up to Haskell?)

No. I had just went to school at Darlington and finished the eight grade. Then I worked at the store. My storekeeper used to be my Sunday School teacher. He's the one that got me in the store, till my father got down. Then I worked here till the St. Louis World's Fair and then I went on to St. Louis. I didn't like it. I came on back. And from there I made up my mind that there was lot of things I ought to know that I didn't know, and only way I could know was to go to school. The banker didn't want me to cut my hair. My folks didn't want me to go off to school. But I told my folks, "You're getting old. You need more help as you get older." Well, my father died that fall. So I put my mother under the care of my oldest brother and I went off to school then.

(What year was that, that your father died?)

Nineteen four. He died in November, of 1904.

(Why didn't you like it at the World's Fair?)

I had to dress Indian all the time. I had buckskin clothes, I didn't want to wear them every day. So George Bent says, "My wife knows where to get that strouding here in St. Louis. Give her the money and she'll make you leggings." "No," I said. "I got two or three suits. I got gray and tan and fawn and clean shirts. I'll just pack up and come on home."

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(What happened the year after that, that you might remember?)

Well, I was in school then, from 1904 through 1905 to 1910. I was going to that school in Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

(When you were up there, did you come home for visits very often?)