

you know. He made things out of metal and twine. He wasn't a mean man. He didn't do anything mean.

(They say he was an expert as a blacksmith; he could make anything. Arrows and spikes and gigs.)

Yeah, gigs--

(The town of Welling, in your day down there was it a pretty good little town?)

No, the railroad come through there, you know, and they built a town up after the railroad come through. No, there wasn't much to Welling; I think there's a big store there. One of them--Jim, let's see what is his name?

(Jim Gray)

And he had a brother name Horace, Horacé Gray. They were both well educated men too.

(And they're the ones that built the first store.)

Yeah. You see, Welling, I mean, the school building was a little bit south there, you know, the school--

(That waht you call Elms Springs Mission?)

Yeah.

(Yeah.)

Me and my brothers went to school there awhile and then the Latter boys, I mean the Whittington boys.

(Yeah.)

We stayed down at Doc Latter's; both of us, George did awhile during school hours, school days and went with those boys to school up there.

(Possum Holler school, where was it located?)

Well, I believe it was north and a little west of Bitting Springs, Not very far out there. Possum Holler, they called it Possum Holler.

Lady: They made copies.

(No books, huh?)