

Well, I was back here in this back room. It's where Sevier lives now-- you don't know where that is, do you? Clear to the back bedroom, and they was all back in there. Usually when I go there, if there in there, I say, "Jess, watch them pile out of the window when I get out of here." They'll pile out of those back windows and just take off. I was back in there, and I had them cornered back in there, and here's this old big Joe Hoof. Joe Hoof looks like he's eight feet tall. Oh, he's a giant. He came staggering back here. One time while I was there I think I counted eight adult drunks passed out in that house. And this time he was just about half drunk. He came staggering back there--I was standing in the door of the bedroom here, and he wanted to talk to me. I said, "All right, start talking, Jow." "Sit down there!" I said, "I can hear you very well, right here." He said, "Sit down there!" I said, "I'm not sitting down, Joe. If you got anything to say to me, say it right here!" He told me the third time. I said, "Joe, I'm not sitting down. If you've got anything to say, you tell me. And he started in. He saw I wasn't gonna sit down. That his house had burned down and he wanted some help, and I said, "You're talking to the wrong guy. You talk to Welfare." He wasn't about to make me sit down there. I can run faster standing up! (Laughs)

Jess: You know when you went to Seiling. I got off about--they had a drawing there at that grocery store west of the pool hall. And I saw Margaret coming down. She saw us so she came over. "Well, I said, "Mr. Stegall's asking about you. Wanting to know how you are getting along and some other business that you had that I'd mentioned to him some time ago. I just wanted to know how you're feeling. Have you been sick? She said, "No, I haven't been sick. And I'd like to see Bob," she said. I said, "Well, he'll be here about two-thirty or three o'clock." Then she said that "All these Hoofs have come over from Geary today and got my boy and myself and two daughters--one of them was gone, but one of my daughters was here--