

enough," he said, "I'm quitting." He said "There's the shop." He said, "You can have the shop and everything that's in it." I said "What do you figure I'll do?" I said "I never put a horse shoe on in my life." I said, "Now what can I do?" He said, "Do just like I did, you can learn."

(But your daddy had taught you how to shoe horses though?)

Yeah, I knew how to shoe 'em now. I can nail 'em on. So he said, "I'm going to buying and selling fruit, hogs, cattle and everything else. So, I was just about ready to lock the doors. I mean it was a job that--I went up the next morning. I opened up you know. The fellow lived across the road over here, had a little mare, he rode all the time. Here he come up behind the shop and he come and and said "I want you to shoe my mare." I said, "Bill, I tell you I'm new at this." I said "If I had somebody to catch the shoes well," I said, "I can shoe it all right. But", I said, "I never did a shoe in my life. My brother's quit and", I said, "I'm going to have to get somebody in here to fix shoes." "Ahh," he said. "No use," he said. "Get the shoes," he said, "We'll get 'em molded and get 'em on." Well, he kept on. I went over and got my four shoes, four number one shoes and I said (sentence inaudible) --but getting the shoe on the shape of the foot, yeah, that's bothering me you know. Well, out of the four, got two of 'em--got 'em on. He said "Now the things to do is go back and get more shoes." Had to go get some more. Well, we went ahead and we finally got four of 'em nailed on her and boy they looked a sight, but it pleased him you know. So he hadn't been gone an hour when this old Indian lived here here--one of the Blues--he had a big pair of mules. And they was outlaws. He took them everywhere to get 'em shod you know. And they'd quit him, they wouldn't do it.

(Yeah.)

Yeah, him and his old lady come driving up. They wanted them five (means #5) shoes, great big shoes. Said, "Id like you to shoe my mules." I said, "I