

(1903)

We lived in the orphanage from September till November. Then it burned. What cause the fire, they had put in a lot of them, what you call, ventilators. (word not clear) And they was soldered together just underneath the shingles. And when they got real hot them melted and run down. And how I know they put on in the house where we lived. Where the doctor lived. Down there in the middle of the park is where our house sat then. And as soon as the doctor moved out after the fire. It was three weeks. We moved in. We lived there seven years and a half. And nine big boys lived with us.

(Who was the doctor then, here?)

You know, I can't remember his name.

(But you did have a doctor here?)

Oh yes, I had a doctor on hand all the time.

(Yes you would have to with that many children.)

We come there in September. And we lived there till the fire. Then we moved to the doctor's house. We was there seven years and a half. Then we built over on some of our allotments.

(Where was your original home?)

Vinita, I was born and raised.

(You was born and raised in Vinita?)

Did you know Warren La Reau?

(Yes ma'am.)

He was my first cousin.

(That's right. A fellow by the name of - What was his first name?)

I did know, but I forgot.

(Was it Jim?)