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DOROTHEA PURDY: This is Dorothea Purdy, and we're visiting with Glenn Sitz at his home in Drewsey, Oregon. The date is May 9th, 1990. And his number will be #273. Glenn can you tell us your first name and your last name, your full name?

GLENN SITZ: Lewis Glenn Sitz, L E W I S, and Lewis Glenn.

DOROTHEA: And what were your parent's names?

GLENN: My dad's name was John Lewis, and my mother was Georgie, Sally Georgie.

DOROTHEA: And where were you born?

GLENN: In Drewsey.

DOROTHEA: And what date?

GLENN: June 30th, 1907.

DOROTHEA: Do you have any brothers and sisters?

GLENN: I have one brother left, Norman, and one sister, Helen. And two have died. One got killed accidentally this last fall haying, Jim. And Margie lived in St. Charles, Missouri, her and her husband and family. And she died; I guess it was two years ago.

BARBARA LOFGREN: That was Margie?

GLENN: Yeah, Margie, yeah.

DOROTHEA: Well, where did you go to school?

GLENN: Oh, I, Mom taught me about, oh I think third grade at home.

DOROTHEA: What kind of a school was it?

GLENN: It was at Kimball Flat. I went there one year, and it was just a, oh a local grade school. There was one teacher taught eight grades. And I think there was about thirty kids there, or something. And then from then on I went to --- oh, Dad sold the ranch and, about 1960, or not --- yeah, 1960. No, wait awhile, about 1916, excuse me. And he, we moved to Ashland, or we went to California and come back to Ashland and stayed there all winter, and I went to grade school there. I think it was, I was in sixth grade, or seventh, sixth grade. And I come back to Drewsey and I finished grade school there in 1920, eighth grade. And there they was, oh there was sort of a high school at first upstairs in the old school building. And then the lower grades, they was split into --- up to the fourth grade was one teacher, and up to the, from then on through the eighth was another room. And I graduated out from Drewsey in 1920. Then I went to school at Ontario High School there. I went there 1920, started. And the second year I, they had to take Latin at Ontario, and I ---

BARBARA: Latin?

GLENN: Yeah. (Laughter)

BARBARA: Oh, dear.

GLENN: And I was stubborn, and of course the folks after the first year, they limited me on money, and I --- that is buying candy and ice cream and all that stuff. I picked apples for about three days or four, and got enough money to buy a train fair from Ontario to Crane. And then I went up there and went to school the second year, and stayed in a dorm there. Then they was, I think, two or three girls downstairs with Mrs. Shown was the matron, or whatever they call them. And four boys stayed upstairs. And the Weittenhiller boy burned up. He had a coal oil, or stove next to his bed, you know, and it got the bed afire. And --- well he choked to death. But anyway ---

DOROTHEA: What was his name?

GLENN: Leland Weittenhiller.

DOROTHEA: Leland.

GLENN: His mother, I don't know what she was; she used to be county school superintendent. And they had a store at Crane then, Weittenhiller's. And whether it was, I don't know whether it was his dad or what, but --- Anyway, I got out of there. Little Joe Buchanan was next to his bed, his

bed was next to this wall, and he woke up and yelled at me, and I was kind of out I guess, smoke. And he tried to go into the boy's room, and it was just a furnace shooting out of there. He come back and jerked me out of bed and I went outside, and went down outside and stow away, and they put me out there to watch Mrs. Shown. She was going back in. But anyway ---

DOROTHEA: Can you remember how to spell her name, Shown?

GLENN: Oh, I don't know. They called them U. S. Shown. He branded his cattle, they had a place there at Harney, old Harney City, you know. And he branded his stuff with U. S. And they called; I don't know whether U. S. Shown, I stayed with him driving cattle after that. That he bought from -- that he bought from Burns country. But anyway, the boy had burnt up. And it was kind of a different feeling, you know, he never yelled, he choked to death is what happened. But you'd think, well he must have went someplace, but he didn't. (Laughter)

But anyway I went to school that year at Crane. And then I went back to Ontario, and I graduated from there in 1924. And I stayed out, let's see, two years and went back to, I went to Oregon State and stayed there one year. And there --- well there was a boarding school; lady had a boarding school --- eight, ten, or six, eight people. And I was there about five weeks, and then I joined a fraternity and ---

BARBARA: Do you remember the lady's name in Corvallis?

GLENN: Huh?

BARBARA: Do you remember the lady's name in Corvallis?

GLENN: No, I don't. And I don't --- I can't think of their name. I --- well maybe I shouldn't admit to that. But there was a man, oh he was probably forty, and an ex-army man, and he'd taught in Alaska. And he come down there, and he was the principal of the grade school at Corvallis, one of them then. And his wife, she was studying, and a real, not a good speller, and I happened to be pretty good. She asked me, and I did --- they had those chairs with the side, you know, to write on.

BARBARA: Oh, uh huh.

GLENN: And they'd pronounce the words, and I'd write the answer, and she was copying I guess. But anyway, I can't remember their name. Well, I never went back. It was a local fraternity, and I

--- they changed it to a national deal, and they sent you that, notified you, but I had no reason --- I was too busy trying to move it, or go ahead, or something. I never did ---

BARBARA: Well I grew up in Corvallis, so ---

GLENN: Oh, did you?

BARBARA: I was, you know, curious to know if I might recognize the family name or something.

GLENN: No, and the fraternity house, I was back there once, through there. Well, I went to a football game once, and I recognized the old fraternity house. And where I stayed, it was a box type house, you know, two stories. And I can't remember the lady's name or --- I just, I don't remember.

Then, let's see, I just went there one year. I started to take electrical engineering, and I liked to play sports and electrical --- and it got a little --- electrical engineering got a little too tough for my brains, so I switched to agriculture. (Laughter) But I just went one year.

To play sports then you had to take Vocational Ed, because you would need the afternoon off. And agriculture and engineering, you wouldn't get off --- you'd get Friday afternoon off, but that ---

BARBARA: Too many labs in the afternoon to keep you busy, right.

GLENN: Yeah, yeah. And Slats Gill, he was the baseball coach. Of course he is dead now.

BARBARA: Basketball too.

GLENN: Yeah.

BARBARA: He lived just about two blocks from where I lived growing up, Slats Gill.

GLENN: Oh, did he?

BARBARA: And his family, yeah.

GLENN: Well he was, and I knew him --- well baseball, to get to play intramural, you know, and he interviewed me, but I don't know. I might not have made it, but then I might have. But I never went back. And I, that's all my education, school deal.

DOROTHEA: What do you remember about, that really impressed you the most, and that stuck in your mind the most, about your childhood?

GLENN: Oh, things right now, I don't --- I was pretty small. Dad put me on a horse; I think his name was Monty, an old gentle cow horse. But I hadn't learned to ride much, and they was a holding cattle up next to the corral. And I remember hitting the ground; I didn't turn with the horse. And it didn't hurt me. (Laughter) But I remember when my Grandmother --- or my Granddad died. I'd never seen him, or never did see him, but I think Mom was in Boise having Jim. I think he was born there, and she'd went down to Boise. But I know that Dad had got word of his father's death, and I could tell that he was, you know, felt bad. But he didn't have time to go. And then of course then, well he didn't go. And of course then transportation was ---

BARBARA: Where were they?

GLENN: In Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

BARBARA: Oh, I see.

GLENN: And ---

BARBARA: That was a big trip then in that time, for you to go.

GLENN: Well yeah, well then there was no car, yeah, Model-T's, but no roads much, you know. And it took a long time even to go to Burns, you know.

BARBARA: Right.

GLENN: And the railroad, you could get on that, but that would take several days.

BARBARA: Right. It was a real trip in those days to go cross-country.

GLENN: Oh yeah, it was, it was completely different then. And then little towns, they, now they would go to Burns, or Boise or Portland. And then if you got from, to Drewsey, that was quite a trip. And that's what kept the town up, you know. (Laughter)

BARBARA: To go back just a little bit. You talk about your grandparents then, were in Wisconsin, why did your family then move to this area?

GLENN: Well Mom come from, well Kentucky or Missouri. And well Dad come here, I've got, I found a little of that in the library. I was curious, I never paid any attention to history when I was young. And then the last few years, about all I could do was something like that, you know.

But I went to the library and I found, Dad was married before he married Mom. He first

come to --- I saw in the Burns paper in the centennial notes two or three months ago he was sick with pneumonia in Burns, and it was 1890. And sometime in that time, he married this other, he'd married this lady Rose, Rose something. But anyway, Mom, there was evidently a little, I don't know, jealousy, never mentioned.

But I got acquainted with, it'd be my, it was my half-sister, Nellie Sitz, or Nellie --- she married Taft Miller. And I got acquainted with her real well after, before she died. But why --- Dad left home when he was fourteen, and he came to Surprise Valley, California. I remember that, he worked there in a dairy, made their, sold butter to the miners for five years. And then him and Rube, that was my uncle, for some reason they came to Harney Valley. I guess maybe they'd heard about settling, or some of the land here, you know. And he lived at Burns, or Lawen, he had a store and a ranch there. And he sold that, all that, and moved to Drewsey in 1903. That's when he met Mom. She was, her maiden name was Holladay. And they had stages, oh all over the west, you know. And Williams, he'd married one of my mother's sisters. She was older and they lived here at Drewsey. And evidently, well it had to be ... that she come out there to work for her sister down here at the Williams' place, down below, out of Drewsey there. And ---

DOROTHEA: And her name was what, Effie?

GLENN: Effie.

DOROTHEA: Effie Williams?

GLENN: Effie Williams, yeah. And then Dad evidently met her and married her. Well let's see, probably, I think, near as I can find out about 1905 or '06.

And I, Dad, my granddad, I never saw him or my grandmother either one. My granddad, they come from Poznan, Poland to Milwaukee. Evidently there was a lot of "Pollocks" there. And Dad was born there in Milwaukee. And Rube, and then there is a bunch of half-brothers and sisters back --- well it'd be his half-brothers and sisters back in Oklahoma and all over that country now.

BARBARA: So he was just kind of adventuresome then. He wanted to come west and ---

GLENN: Yeah. It had to be. I remember, I never paid any attention, but something about when he was a kid on the train. He come out, oh they was making fun of him or something, but it made an

impression on him or something. I guess he probably, well there was ---

When Dad died my aunt, well wait awhile, yeah, well it was just the three of them, Rube and Emma. She wrote a letter to Mom when Dad died. I've got a copy of it. They never went to school, and you had to --- or they went to school --- excuse me (phone rings).

Well this letter, I've got copies of it. They had, it's kind of like, you know, the sounds, you know, when you can't --- She said that they'd went to school just to the third grade. Then they had to work to live, you know. And that's --- But you know, the sound, it's the sound. You can kind of guess what it is. (Laughter)

But it --- and that's, and why they, well they, I imagine they come to California. That was a gold mining deal, you know. And then I think he said something about John Devine. He took up land there at Lawen, him and his brother. And it was, I don't know, opening up the land, you know, for settlement. And I know, I remember he said that Devine, the way they run his cattle there, they'd had the lake fenced off where all that low country, you know, and they'd turned their cattle up here. They didn't put up hay, but --- Then they'd open the gates and let them come in, you know, where there was grass around the lakes there, you know. And said that Devine, they asked Devine if he cared, and he said no. I think he called them Christian friends, I guess. He told them what happened, he'd like to have them keep the fences up, you know. And he said there was a family there that, oh, had quite a few kids. And then he had, oh; go to Huntington or someplace to get food in the wagon. And they was a starving, and they said they tore Devine's fences down, but --- And even though they did that, he hauled up, they loaded up a four-horse team of food, you know, and took up to keep those kids from starving. But then, I don't know, am I wandering too much, I guess?

DOROTHEA: Nope.

BARBARA: No, you're doing fine. Well, do you remember maybe, some of the things that happened when you were going to grade school, or some of the other things that happened maybe out at the Crane dormitory. Some of the crazy things that you kids might have done out there. That was a boarding school at that time, right?

GLENN: Yeah. You know, a lot of it is not printable. (Laughter) I don't know, maybe ---

BARBARA: Well, we can edit along the way. (Laughter)

GLENN: You know, I'll tell you, you know, everybody, them, I could see why it was that they'd create their own fun, you know. Because you couldn't drive to Burns to see a show, or ---

BARBARA: Right.

GLENN: And I know when the ---

BARBARA: You had better imaginations, I think.

GLENN: Well, yeah. And maybe cruel, wicked, or funny, I don't know. But it was, no it was, I don't know. I loved sports and baseball. Mom, if she'd have worked me over, I might have been a piano player. But I didn't want to practice playing piano and ... and all that, and play baseball, it didn't work out right.

BARBARA: Were there enough kids around to get up a team at that time when you were at school?

GLENN: Oh yeah. Then, you know, all little towns had baseball teams. Burns, Drewsey, Juntura, Huntington, and that was a sports, you know. And then of course in high school, they had, then they didn't have buses. Well just Ontario did, maybe some of the real big schools. But the coach and some of the parents, you know, and some of the boosters would haul some of the players. But no, it's, oh, I don't know.

And then, getting to wandering around, and not thinking. One of the things that, the store, well the store at Drewsey, you could buy anything there. They had machinery, all kinds of harness and clothes. And one thing they had for sure, called a "high-life". I think it was carbon, maybe tetrachloride, or --- but you would pour it on a dog, or anything with fur. I think it froze them, and they'd just take off like a shot. But if you went to town a horseback, you didn't want to be, let some of the bums, you know, around. They'd get to wanting to brag on your horse. And they'd have a little shot of "high-life" to have a rodeo, you know. But it's, and things like that.

And then of course baseball then was all --- well they had the ump's, you know, and all that. But instead of lines, now they had the spectators right up against the ---

BARBARA: Oh, the base lines?

GLENN: The lines, base lines. And all kinds of --- they'd be some of them a fighting, and some of them, oh laughing, you know. Maybe some of them drunk, you know. But ---

BARBARA: What kind of equipment did you have then? Did you have pretty good gloves and things like that?

GLENN: Yeah. It was good. Just the same, it was good as now, or all that.

BARBARA: Of course, I don't think the catcher probably had quite as good a gear as they do now.

GLENN: No, no then you had --- now they have those caps, you know, which is a good thing.

There is one fellow down at Westfall, he got hit in the head and he was out for, oh, a couple of days. But he lived. But no, they had the masks and all that, but no ---

BARBARA: Helmets for protection.

GLENN: You had to duck.

BARBARA: So what position did you play?

GLENN: Well, I played shortstop.

BARBARA: Oh, I see. Where all the action was, huh?

GLENN: Yeah. No, it was a lot of fun. Then of course ---

BARBARA: Did you let the girls play on your teams?

GLENN: No. (Laughter) Some of the girls though, you know --- Then girl's basketball, you know, it had, you'd just go in a certain ---

BARBARA: Half court.

GLENN: Yeah. But some of them, they'd practice with the boys, some of them. And boy they knew all the dirty tricks. (Laughter) No, basketball, and of course it's changed, the rules there.

Football, I, at Ontario I played second string, but I wasn't very heavy, and quarterbacked. But I never played much. If they'd ever hit me, I'd still be in orbit or something. (Laughter)

But then, I don't know, the towns --- The store, I remember, they had those old gas tanks, you know, the glass deal, you know. You'd pump them up ten gallons, and then they'd drain down. Then, of course sometimes the dogs, you know, they have certain places they like to go to the

bathroom, and they'd get around the metal, gas --- You take an old Model-T Ford car, you know, and wire it up, and of course when they went to the bathroom that would close the circuit and they'd change their bathroom sudden after that. Things like that. Then "high-life", that was free in the stores, you know. They'd keep a lot of that for anybody that ---

I know at Drewsey once, Drinkwater, he was, that was after I was over there, he used to have the circuses come through, the wagons, you know. And some of them was so rotten, they was good. But they was, I know, one they had a wagon, they had a bear tied to each wheel there. Part of the circus. And Drinkwater's went to bed Saturday night, and the show was on, and they, he just got to sleep and some of the drunks come and wanted to get in, you know. And he didn't, he said, "No, I'm not going to open up, I just got to bed." Saw them the next day, and said, "Well, what did you want?" He thought they just wanted to buy a package of cigarettes or something. Said, "Well, we wanted to get some "high-life" and we was going to "high-life" each bear tied to the wheel." Drinkwater said, "If you had told me that, I'd of got up anytime." (Laughter) But all that stuff, the circuses, and they'd come from Beulah, you know, over to Drewsey, and I guess on to Burns, or Harney. And there was just --- but that was the only, oh I don't know, other ---

And then there would be fights at dances, you know. But most of those fellows that was, well all of them in fact, some of them was good fighters, and some of them they'd like to pick the right man. But if they knew you was, oh a little better than usual, they wouldn't bother you, you know. But I don't, but they was always a fighting.

DOROTHEA: Is this Drewsey, you mean at Drewsey?

GLENN: Yeah, at Drewsey, yeah, yeah. You know in Drewsey, it was quite a town. I can remember when I was a kid it was dying. But they had two stores, and two livery stables, three saloons, and a drug store, and a house of ill fame. They had everything, you know. (Laughter) But I don't ---

BARBARA: Can you remember some of the families, the names of some of the families that were in the community as you were growing up as a child?

GLENN: Oh, yeah. There was, well some of them are still, parts of, or the family, Robinson's, oh

Howard's, and Dunten. And oh, a lot of them are dead. This country, most of them are the same, the ranches are some of the descendants, you know. But they is a few new ones come in, several.

And then, I don't know, Williams has got a, showed me a picture today. I went down and got the mail, I'm going to write that, I've got his address there, a picture of the Drewsey School. Some fellow, well I've got the address there, I'm going to write him. And I, it was the Beede's, yeah, they're gone. They had the

--- and the Beede's, and DeCoudres, and Heaths, and they was all related. And I remember some of the Beede's. I think they're all dead, no not, maybe, I don't know. But they had --- I know one Beede was Del. I can't find anything about him. And there was a fellow by the name of Del. I don't know, it's just ---

BARBARA: Did you get to go into town on Saturdays, into Drewsey? Or was it a once a month thing, or how often did you go in?

GLENN: Oh, they didn't, Dad was one of the smartest men, one of the smartest men I ever knew. But they didn't pay wages, but they'd send you to school, and it would cost a lot of money to educate my kids. But he, when he'd go to town, that was in the moonshine days, when I was young and smart, you know. And they, he anticipated everything, you know. He'd give you enough money to go to the dance, and buy a ticket, a dollar and a half, a couple of dollars for you and a girl for a little supper. But moonshine, you'd have about a four-bit limit. But you'd have to go in with some of the other young guys ---

BARBARA: Enough to buy a bottle.

GLENN: Enough to buy moonshine. But I never got that habit. But a person was lucky he didn't die. Because there is none of them chemists, they didn't know how to make alcohol.

BARBARA: Could be pretty powerful stuff.

GLENN: Yeah, they could --- I know one, he had a, well he is dead a long time, Olson. He made home brew, beer. And he let it ferment or set under a chicken roost. And that would give it a different flavor all right. (Laughter) But it was just things. There was always something that --- I don't know. Maybe I bother you here or something ---

BARBARA: No, that's fine.

GLENN: Like talking about circuses, you know. Then they had boards around, eight-foot-high, you know, upright boards around the back of the saloons and all that. And they had a bear tied in one, around the corner. And some of the drunks they, talking to different people, and they would be more nervous than the others. And they told somebody that Smith, he run a saloon here, and said he had a bottle hid right over there in that corner. And he went over there and he just come back just like a shot. That bear was still in there.

Then you get one of the --- that was Bill Davis; he was the lead in the conservation of energy. And they told him, and he went over right easy, you know they said, and come back. And pretty soon he come back just as easy, and he said, "I can't get her now boys, there is a bear tied there." (Laughter) I don't know. But things like that. It was fun.

BARBARA: Were the dances pretty rowdy at times?

GLENN: Oh yeah. They'd always be somebody a fighting, you know. Some of them liked to fight, and they'd pick on somebody that they think they could win, you know. And then ---

BARBARA: What about Fourth of July celebrations, did they have those too?

GLENN: Oh yeah. Horse races, yeah that was the main, and baseball and horse races.

BARBARA: That pretty --- took care of your summers then.

GLENN: Yeah, that was the summer ---

BARBARA: You did your chores then you got to go play baseball.

GLENN: Yeah. Yeah, I don't know. It was a lot of fun. And it's, well I guess the only thing. Well I always did like to laugh. It's, it was fun. Oh yeah, and swimming.

The Indians, there used to be around here, you know. I guess we stole the land from the Indians. And sometimes they made mistakes like Oklahoma, and they had oil there, the Indians. And then over on the, where is that, they give them all that forestland. Over towards, the other side of Bend, you know.

BARBARA: Madras.

GLENN: Madras, down there. And they made mistakes in some of the land. But they was always

Indians around. They would work, maybe grubbing willows or something, you know. And then some of the women, they'd get them to help. I know Mom would get some of them to help, oh do housework, you know.

BARBARA: Do laundry and things.

GLENN: Yeah, and that stuff. But it ---

BARBARA: Did you ever play with the Indian children too?

GLENN: No.

BARBARA: Or, were they around?

GLENN: They wasn't around. They said the Indians, I don't remember that. But at Drewsey they had the smallpox, you know, epidemic. And they would have a heat, down next to the river there at Drewsey. They had a place to get in there and get real hot. And they'd jump in the river. It would cure the disease all right. It'd finish them, you know. They believed in that. I don't know.

BARBARA: So what kind of chores did you have as a child? Your father was a rancher. Did he have cattle and raise hay and things like that?

GLENN: Yeah. Cattle, yeah cattle and hay. That was after Dad died, we had some sheep when he died. When he had to take the ranch back, why he, the fellow he had sold it to, they had lost most of the cattle. And not too many, and had to start over again. And had cattle and sheep. Sheep was, well they had --- after, oh around several years after Dad died, and getting out of debt, and all that. We would run them on Bald Mountain; it's west of Strawberry. And then they had the, Hines then had built the road up to Seneca, you know, railroad. And they would load them on, trail the lambs down there to Seneca and load them on the train there and then go on to Omaha with the lambs. It was fun, a lot of fun.

BARBARA: Well you say your Dad had sold out. What did he do during that time that he wasn't running the ranch?

GLENN: Well he lived in Drewsey, and then he --- in the meantime before he had to take the ranch back, well they lived in Drewsey quite awhile. Then I was up at the ranch there, batching and working with somebody else, a hired man. But in the meantime he bought some land from, well

Jim's got, or brother has a hot spring up, it's between the foot of Stinkingwater and the river. About halfway there is a hot spring there. And he bought that, and my grandmother took up a homestead there too, Mom's mother. And they built a swimming pool and a bathhouse. Had a, and oh, it was quite a business, a real business. Then the old road to Burns run up Stinkingwater Creek and on over, hit there about a, well a little bit north of the highway now, going to Burns. And every weekend there would be, oh, fifty people up there swimming.

BARBARA: Oh, I see.

GLENN: And he, it was a real good paying proposition. I think then charge them two bits a swim, and furnish the swimming suit. And it was a full size suit then, you know, cotton. (Laughter)

DOROTHEA: It didn't show more skin than material, huh?

GLENN: They didn't get too much sunburn. Diving, you know, spring boards and all that stuff. And it was a good business, real good. And then of course after Dad died, why ---

BARBARA: How old was he when he died?

GLENN: He was sixty-eight.

BARBARA: How long did he run the swimming pool?

GLENN: Oh, ran it about fifteen years, something like that.

BARBARA: And then he took the ranch back?

GLENN: He took it back, and he had it. And then when Dad died--- Then of course it was just a swimming pool, oh, I don't know, it was a good size, but it was boards on the side, you know, this lumber, then a gravel bottom. And no shower baths or anything like that. After Dad died why they, well he was, it was pretty hard times, real, in the '30's there. The state, they discovered it and said you had to put in spit troughs and all that. And I just ---

BARBARA: The regulations kind of put him out of business then?

GLENN: Well, it was me then. Dad was dead, and I told them that I wouldn't have to put in spit troughs if I didn't run the swimming pool. Because I didn't --- and then the highway built south there, you know. And that would stop a lot of the trade.

BARBARA: You lost your traffic.

GLENN: Yeah. But I thought about maybe get some quack doctor, you know, and that would take lots of money though. And have that heat, you know, to cure you. In fact, there was a railroad man, I can't remember, that had arthritis. He built, that was after it was built, a tub out of railroad lumber they used in boxcars. And he would come out there whenever he could and get in that hot water. And he said it cured his arthritis, you know.

DOROTHEA: Can you remember your first ride in an automobile?

GLENN: Yeah. I can remember an old, Dad got a Model-T, and I guess it was about 1913, or '14. And then Jim bought the ranch there where we lived then. Why you had to, so the ... road going out to Drewsey you had to go across the road and go down by Kimball Flat and Howard's and that road on the north side of the river. And the first time I remember being in that car going out there, and I think Helen and I, my sister, we was in the back seat and spent most of the time a fighting.

And we went to someone's funeral, and I don't know yet who it was. But then, you know, they was hearses, what you call them, they was made out of glass, you know, the wagon or --- This one had a, I think they was pulling it with a team, and the glass cage where they had the coffin in there, and went to Drewsey. And where he was buried, and that's the first time I remember ---

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DOROTHEA: Can you describe the first car that you got, or rode in?

GLENN: Oh, it was just a Model-T; it was all open, you know. They just had side curtains, you know. There was no closed cars. And a back seat, and you would have to crank it, to start it. And it would nudge you a little sometimes. The little Model-T clutches, it wasn't, it was pretty hard to get them clear out of gear. You would get them to going, and unless you was inside so you could put on the break, it would just start nudging. (Laughter)

DOROTHEA: Did you learn how to change flats real quick like.

GLENN: No, I --- yeah, you would learn. But you would learn, they had the service stations, you know, then. And they'd, as far as me a fixing them, no, I never did.

DOROTHEA: You never did.

GLENN: No.

DOROTHEA: How old were you when you got your first car?

GLENN: Oh, let's see, probably about, when I went to Corvallis, 1926. I got it probably about 1924, 1925, it was just a roadster. When I went to Corvallis, I had a cousin lived at Salem, she did. And they used to say, and they were probably right, I hate to admit it, the country kid was dumb. I, one Saturday I decided to go to Salem from Corvallis to see her. And I got over there, and on the way over, I had this Ford Roadster, and I, in Salem there I was a driving around big wide streets, and pretty soon there was a town cop. He had a Ford Roadster too. He come around, turned on his siren, and I thought well what in the world have I done. I must have looked like somebody.

(Laughter) Anyway, I was lucky he was a young fellow, and he said, "When you were driving along the highway do you keep your eyes open pretty well?" I said, "Yeah." He said, "Well why didn't you stop back there at that stop street?" Well I had never heard of such a thing.

BARBARA: Out in the country we don't have stop signs.

GLENN: But anyway he said, "Well, where are you from?" I said, "Drewsey." "Well, where in the hell is that?" (Laughter) But I could see his eyes grin then, and I --- He told me, he said, "Now if I send you up, that will cost you." And I had lost my driver's license. I think you get them then for a dollar or two bits. And he said, "You better go get that right away." And I did. But anyway he told me how to get to my cousin's place. But he went around, out of those big streets there and stopped. And I went there and I stayed from there on. But he was, I was lucky he was, he knew I was just a dumb guy.

DOROTHEA: You were a country boy in the city. Did you marry?

GLENN: Yeah.

DOROTHEA: What was your wife's name?

GLENN: Gearhart. Viola Gearhart. And when she died I, I aim to go to the tomb, I have a poor memory, I would have to go down to Drewsey and look at the tombstone. She died, oh, it's been eight, ten years ago.

DOROTHEA: Do you have any children?

GLENN: Yeah, I had two. Jerry the boy, he lives in Denver. He'll be out here, well I guess for this senior, or Pioneer Day deal. And one girl, she was older, but she died when she was seventeen.

DOROTHEA: What was her name?

GLENN: Dorothy Ellen. And Jerry was Gerald Glenn. Called him Jerry.

DOROTHEA: Do you spell your name with two "N's"?

GLENN: Yeah, uh huh.

DOROTHEA: And do you have any grandchildren?

GLENN: Let's see. Yeah, just one, Sherri, is the only one. And her, well she has two kids. That would be great grandchildren, or something. But, and oh yeah, Jerry my boy got married, oh, and there was, yeah there is two, well two, they had two kids and they separated. And she married again, but they took the name of Cronin instead of ---

DOROTHEA: But they really are your grandchildren?

GLENN: Well yeah, by blood I guess. I don't know.

DOROTHEA: And their names are?

GLENN: Well let's see now, there is Charles, he lives in, I think its Elko, Nevada. Him and his wife and family, Cronin, Charles Cronin. And then, oh hell, let's see, John Cronin, there is a lawyer there at John Day, Cronin.

DOROTHEA: Daniel.

GLENN: Huh? Dan, yeah. I forget my own name once in awhile. (Laughter)

DOROTHEA: And that's the only three children he has then?

GLENN: Yeah.

DOROTHEA: Okay. And I imagine they have several children between them.

GLENN: Yeah, they've got, I don't know how many. Dan is, well his wife is Cramer's daughter. And they've got, I don't know, four or five, several kids. And then Chuck has two out in Nevada, I think three anyway, four.

DOROTHEA: Okay. What do you spend most of your time doing now?

GLENN: Well now, going to basketball games, volleyball games, baseball, and other than that ---

BARBARA: We both spend a lot of time at the high school, don't we?

GLENN: Yeah, we're getting our education now.

BARBARA: It's fun to watch the kids, isn't it?

GLENN: Oh, yeah. I like to watch them. I'd like to maybe tell them.

BARBARA: Tell them a few pointers.

GLENN: What to do, but they might tell me what to do and help me get there too, you got to be careful.

DOROTHEA: Is this ranch the same ranch that your father had, or is this a different ranch?

GLENN: No, this is the one that I was raised on, or spent most of my life. It's up there where my brother Jim --- Oh when Dad died he had, he had the butcher shop there in Portland, or Caffey Clinic. He went down and had a scar on, or sore on his hand and it didn't heal. And old Doc Smith, of course doctors never say anything about each other, he lost one wife there, but his first wife I guess. But anyway, they said that he had, they operated on his arm, under his arm, glands. He had cancer of the glands. And if he had cancer, they put radium in there, and that killed him. And if you had cancer, that was as real good thing. About, you lived about five weeks.

But anyway, I guess I get to wandering, he come back from Portland and I met my sister, she had been in Spray, and I met him in an old Model-T and brought him home. I told her, she wanted to know how he looked. And I said I don't think, he was just as white as a sheet. And so she went back to Caffey Clinic, and they told him, or told her that he couldn't live, they told him that they wanted him to stay, but he didn't.

But anyway he --- I maybe get back on the question you asked me --- He told me, he never told any of us that he had a death sentence on him. But he made, when he died, in his will he made the sister, we was the old ones, the other kids was still in grade school, in high school, executor and executrix. And she has worked in Portland there, and she was out here about a year after he died. But I, run up, or got out of debt about in the '40's. And then in the meantime I had bought the one, with the money I could get, bought the Stinkingwater deal. And then in the '40's I, we split up, Jim and I --- or Jim bought the ranch and I, and Jim and I split up the cattle. And I, he stayed there, and

I moved out. And then I bought this place from Chet Stallard when I heard he was running out of gas, wanting to sell. But that's --- Dad was a real, well it was real hard times in the '30's, there wasn't any money. And I know I did all my banking afterwards down at Ontario. Dad had an interest in the old First National Bank. It went broke. And of course we had to pay double and all that on the stock. But I got caught on a jury, and I was lucky that my aunt --- old Rube's, he was dead then, but she met me at Burns and it didn't cost me anything to stay there. I had a warrant; I think it was eighty dollars, a county warrant. And I had a kid worked here in the winter; I'd give him ten dollars a month board, and he was a moving on then. So I had to cash the warrant at the bank at Burns there. Harney County Branch, they wouldn't cash the warrant. They cashed it, but they had to discount it at fifteen percent, and I had to get a cosigner. Man I, from then on I went to, I knew Jimmy Jones, and his dad had a bank at Juntura, then he had the bank at Vale. And I just went on that way banking. They took a chance on me. But ---

BARBARA: So your adult life mostly has been just ranching in this area?

GLENN: Well when I got out of ---

BARBARA: When you got out of college you decided to come back?

GLENN: --- school, yeah. I surveyed one year, worked on a surveying gang for driving stakes. And then I worked in the store there. Dad had an interest in that, for a year.

BARBARA: At Drewsey? The store in Drewsey?

GLENN: Yeah, uh huh.

DOROTHEA: Was that the Porter-Sitz?

GLENN: Yeah. This Porter, I met him. But he, evidently when he first come, he lived around Lawen or Burns and Dad got acquainted with him. And he backed Dad in the store. And I think he backed him with stock, something. Then after that, he went in with him on the store at Drewsey. And then there is a fellow by the name of Miller, I never knew him, original name Porter, Miller & Sitz. But that's where Drinkwater, he went to work there, and he bought Miller's part.

DOROTHEA: Now what was his first name?

GLENN: Who, Drinkwater?

DOROTHEA: Uh huh.

GLENN: Clarence. C. W., Clarence. They called him Jerry, I don't ---

DOROTHEA: His name was Clarence, but they called him Jerry.

GLENN: Yeah. Well he is, Jack Drinkwater, you know, it's his, well it would be his, well hell it would be his uncle, wouldn't it?

DOROTHEA: I don't know that much about them.

GLENN: Yeah, it would be his uncle.

BARBARA: So did you work in the store for your father when he had part ownership of that?

GLENN: Yeah. It was, in those times, you know, there was a change of conditions then. And I think now probably the stores do that too. It was all one hundred percent profit on anything, even groceries. And I think the groceries are coming back to that. But then Skaggs or Safeway's come in, and they cut the rate down. And then the roads got better, and they went to town to buy. And it was just a change of times.

BARBARA: I think the automobile changed the small communities tremendously.

GLENN: Oh, completely.

BARBARA: Uh huh.

GLENN: Yeah, it's all ---

BARBARA: Because they could then go places in a shorter period of time, rather than getting your horse and your buggy and just going a short ways to the small community stores to trade.

GLENN: Yeah. They now go into Burns. I remember going there to Buchanan's. That was, it was George Buchanan, they had a place right on top there, oh right on top of the mountain there. It's off the main road now, Nigger Flat, they called it. There was some niggers lived there evidently. And I remember hearing them, but I never saw them. Well they raised Gib Masterson, whose mother died when he was a kid. And his dad hired them to take care of Gib. Anyway going over there, start from the ranch there, and then stop and eat dinner right up on top of the mountain there, you know. And it would take quite awhile, it was awful slow traveling. And then go on into Burns. But it would take a day to go to Burns. In fact, you could go, well if you wanted to trot along, just about

as fast a horseback, you know.

BARBARA: As long as your horse would hold out.

GLENN: Yeah. But it's, I don't know, it's funny, it's changed.

BARBARA: So how long did you work in the store? How old were you?

GLENN: Oh, I just worked there two years. When I first got married, see I got married in 1928; I worked there until about 1930, '29 or '30.

BARBARA: And then you started ranching?

GLENN: Yeah. And then I went ---

DOROTHEA: You ranched with your father and brother at that time?

GLENN: With Dad. My brothers, they was just kids yet.

DOROTHEA: Smaller.

GLENN: And yeah, I worked. Dad, you know, I would buckaroo, and put up hay, and you know, all that stuff. Then surveying, I worked, well on the market road, we surveyed that up from up above the ranch on up there. And then the highway, just had a stadia shot, but the first shot was, I quit about that time. But it would come in down, farther up, I guess it took a, you know a six percent stadia shot down there. But then, and then you followed contours more, because they didn't have the heavy machinery they have now, you know, to make ---

BARBARA: Cut it out.

GLENN: You had to follow kind of the contour of the land.

DOROTHEA: When they did get to a tall mountain or something, did they use a lot of dynamite, or how did they go through the mountain?

GLENN: Well they dynamite. I know out here over Stinkingwater they had a camp there, MK had the camp right at the foot of Stinkingwater there. Oh right where, where there is a reservoir and all that up there, and built a road to the top of Stinkingwater. And my cousin ... he run the shovel.

They'd dynamite those cuts. And they had a camp right there at the foot of Stinkingwater, MK did.

They boarded the men there, and charge them so much. They was thirty, oh probably forty, fifty men work there. And they had, instead of going to town, they just stayed right there, you know, and

board them there. Then of course the rest of it on top, I don't know, other contractors had it. But Morrison Knudson had this side of it. No, its ---

DOROTHEA: Did you ever go into some movies, at the shows? Did they have a show house in Drewsey?

GLENN: No, not at Drewsey. When I went to school in Ontario, I went to some. And then going to Burns, I think we went over there, my wife and I, maybe four or five times.

You know it was real hard times. You know we had to go to Vale and Ontario and Baker to get money to run on. And you had to eat when you was going, and instead of --- now you can go to a restaurant and get a meal. But then our meal, you would get a dozen donuts for thirty-five cents, and you would just eat them until you got back. You know, it sounds funny, but there wasn't any money. Of course it didn't cost anything, but you had to have a little money to buy anything. But you just kind of ---

DOROTHEA: Can you remember the difference of the price of the movies in the ---

GLENN: Oh yeah, it was, I think in Ontario first it was ten cents. Then it got up to two bits, and I don't know what it is now, five, six, seven, eight, ten dollars.

DOROTHEA: Dollars, yeah, dollars.

BARBARA: Kind of expensive to go out on a date now, if you want to take someone to go to a movie.

GLENN: Oh yeah. Yeah, there is no way you could do it. No, it's, but it was still --- oh, lots of fun. Haying or anything, of course then, horses, you could hear everything. Now if somebody gives you a cussing, the tractor sound is protection, you know, and all that. (Laughter) But it just ---

BARBARA: Before the voice kind of floated on the air, didn't it?

GLENN: Yeah.

DOROTHEA: So you did a lot of your haying and early days with horses?

GLENN: Yeah, it was all horses. Yeah, we would ---

DOROTHEA: Can you remember some of the things that happened in those days? Like, did your horses run away? And how hard was it to ---

GLENN: Oh yeah. Well mowing, they had places at ... posts set in a cross bar, wide. And you'd have one gentle horse, and get a wild one and just tie him in with the other horse. And tie him to that, and you could circle him, just let him run, and control him ---

DOROTHEA: Control him with the tame horse.

GLENN: Yeah. And then there was always jobbing, you know. I heard a story, I think it was true, you know. The old buck rakes, you know, they had the teeth, you know, and they would raise up and dump. And somebody had a runaway with a rake that way. And they was a dangerous thing just setting right up there on top. And this fellow would fall off in front there, and happened to be lucky and it bounced around and hit a ditch and tripped and let him out. And he said, "Gosh I'm lucky," he said. "I don't know; a wonder I didn't get killed." And the owner said, "Well I don't give a damn about you, what happened to the rake?" (Laughter)

BARBARA: Right.

GLENN: There were just things like that. It was kind of, well that was all the entertainment there was. That's ---

DOROTHEA: Did you socialize or neighbor with your neighbors at the time, to do some of the haying and the crops?

GLENN: The main socializing was thrashing. Haying, you'd hire the men on your own place. And in this country, Dad had a thrashing machine, a small one. And I got the job of running that. But then the neighbors would go together in the hauling, and it was, you know, shocks, you know. Cut the grain, you know, and not bale it, but then load it onto a wagon, or have it stacked, you know.

DOROTHEA: Tie it up into those ---

GLENN: Yeah, and thrash it. And then they was, then the neighbors would help, you know, come in and bring a team and a wagon hauling the grain in, you know. After it was shocked, or bound you know, bind it with the thrasher, or with the binder. And then they would help, oh riding, well they still do that. Buckarooing, they help, you know. Then, but buckarooing, that was --- here there is not much history. I found a book down at, in Nevada several years ago, writing about Henry Miller. I think it was about Treadwell, and I think it might have been his lawyer, or lawyer's son.

But it mentioned all these. He owned land, oh clear to, clear down to Beulah and Summit, Harper, and Silvies, and a lot of these little ranches, you know. And he'd, then when the, I never worked for the company, but their headquarters for this part was Agency, and then Island was another buckaroo layout. But they ---

DOROTHEA: That where Miller-Lux ---

GLENN: Huh? Yeah. Miller & Lux, yeah. The PLS, or --- But anyway, riding with them it was, I'd liked to had movie cameras. The company, they'd have, well whenever your cattle --- we run out to Stinkingwater then, and on up toward Silvies. You'd ride with them, the buckaroo layout. And they had a wagon, you know, and have your bed. And they had a cook and a rango, and eat and then the boss when I was there, George Smith, he would, you would tell him what one of your horses you would want, and he'd tell his men. But he was, they had round corrals you know, to get maybe a hundred horses, or a hundred and twenty, and then get them to circling and he'd just flip that rope out there, you know, just perfect and catch them. If you had cameras and all, it would have been ---

DOROTHEA: Quite a rodeo.

GLENN: Yeah, real --- then of course there was always, I think they paid thirty dollars a month to ride a gentle one, and five dollars more to ride a colt. And of course there was always a rodeo, in the morning. (Laughter)

BARBARA: Trying to get everybody saddled up, huh?

GLENN: Yeah.

DOROTHEA: There weren't any fences, so you more or less rode your, drove your cattle like they do sheep.

GLENN: Yeah. Yeah, there wasn't any fences. Then your cattle would drift. They'd get used to running in certain places. The old ones, they'd come in the fall, you know, they'd go back where they eat. Of course the young ones, they're just like the young kids, they might take off, you know. But ---

DOROTHEA: We have that same problem today.

GLENN: Yeah. (Laughter) But they'd, you'd trade in the fall, and you'd trade with the people in Logan, or you know, or Silvies. And it was, it was just, I don't know, get along real good. And then they ---

BARBARA: People really neighbored then, didn't they?

GLENN: Yeah.

BARBARA: And did the women then feed the haying crews, and things as they were coming through?

GLENN: Oh yeah. Yeah. And I, well there were some other, John Swords grand folks. They was from, oh I don't know, it wasn't Germany, Switzerland I think. And I know thrashing there, they was, you'd start real early, daylight. But Mrs. Mueller, she'd bring out a lunch in the middle of the forenoon, middle of the afternoon. I guess that's the customs of some of those old countries. And she'd come out and have something, oh cookies, or something, you know.

BARBARA: Pretty nice.

GLENN: Oh, yeah.

DOROTHEA: Betty Drinkwater does that yet today.

GLENN: Does she?

DOROTHEA: Yeah, Jack goes out in the morning, and he doesn't get out as early as he used to. But now most generally just before, ten, eleven o'clock she'll come out with kool aid or something, cookies and coffee. And then in the afternoon about four o'clock, she does the same thing.

GLENN: Yeah, you know, it's, well it's nice.

DOROTHEA: You bet, it is. It gives you a chance to stop and rest and cool off a little bit.

GLENN: Yeah. You see, generally you see something funny every day, you know, if you see the funny part of it. Somebody falling down accidentally or something.

BARBARA: Horse takes off and you're out there running after him.

GLENN: Yeah, yeah.

BARBARA: It may not be so funny for the guy that's chasing the horses.

GLENN: No, he don't think it's funny.

BARBARA: Did you ever have any bad accidents out working, or anything?

GLENN: No. Oh, I had my ribs cracked. A horse turned a flip with me. I hit a badger hole. But he come over easy. And then, well Jerry, he was about ten, no twelve. He was riding with me, but I got my big foot caught in the stirrup and I was --- but it knocked the wind pretty near out of me. But I had his head held back, so I hold him so he couldn't drag me, or something. I got the saddle loose. Well Jerry come and uncinched the saddle. And then I've had my collarbone broke. And hands, fingers broke playing baseball, catching them wrong or something.

DOROTHEA: But all out, real lucky.

GLENN: Oh yeah, I'm a real lucky.

BARBARA: So what are some of the things you did with your children when they were younger?

GLENN: Oh, I don't know, they'd go with you.

BARBARA: Didn't have babysitters, so they went everyplace with you.

GLENN: With you, yeah.

BARBARA: And did their jobs too.

GLENN: Yeah, no we didn't have babysitters. No. Of course our daughter, she was sick when she was, I don't know, a month or so, and she was deaf. And we had --- we took her to the deaf school in Salem. And I never went back, but they'd teach them to talk, it's a monotone. And then of course they've got those ---

BARBARA: Sign.

GLENN: Signs. I saw something once, of course, I guess something you shouldn't laugh at. But some of those deaf kids, I don't know whether it was Salem, or someplace. They'd had a wreck, and there was four, or five, or seven of them. And their fingers were just a flying, you know.

DOROTHEA: Well, you've got to see the funny part of it, in order to see the bad part too, so ---

GLENN: Yeah. And then, my wife, the first year she went down to Salem to be close to Dorothy. She got acquainted --- but anyway I had an uncle, no I guess he'd been a cousin to my mom. And she didn't think, he was I think kind of an alcoholic or a gambler, didn't think much of that. But anyway, he had a wooden leg. And I kept Jerry, he was, oh I don't know, he'd started to school,

grade school. But he'd stay with me, and every night he'd come over and see that guy take his leg off. He couldn't figure ---

BARBARA: Trying to figure out how he could do the same.

GLENN: Yeah, how to get the leg off. (Laughter) No, he was, he was some kind of a gambler.

He'd go to the sheep camp with me, but he never brung money. It was hard times. He would stop at John Day, go through there, and come back. And he'd always have a little bit of money. And I think he must have been a pool shark, or something, playing that, you know. But that was his business. Well no, it's been --- been haying, you know, with horses you could, with the hay buck, you know. That was easy, you know, have a bronco pulling on there so they couldn't fall into the buck. And you could just tie them in there and they'd, could just do whatever they wanted to. But they couldn't get away.

DOROTHEA: Yeah, Grandpa had some horses that we worked that way. And it's interesting how you can break a wild horse with a tame horse.

GLENN: Yeah.

DOROTHEA: I think the hardest part is putting the rigging on them.

GLENN: Yeah, yeah.

DOROTHEA: Getting them ready and hooking them up.

GLENN: Yeah, yeah. No, it's, you know, I've made millions of mistakes, but one of them, you know, they used to, oh we'd have fifty, sixty, seventy horses. And Dad's was pretty much Prussian. Then we got Belgians after that. But you'd turn them out, and then you'd have some to feed with, you know, and of course saddle horses. But then you'd get ready to hay and you'd go out and run in a bunch of them and break them, you know, whatever.

DOROTHEA: Daddy had horses clear up to, probably the early fifties.

GLENN: You know a person should have been smart and did that. Because you know what happened, why then I thought well, the damn tractor, and the people didn't like to work on the ranch then, you know, or out in the country.

BARBARA: Harder to get help.

GLENN: Yeah. And then you could go to the sale and you could buy a big gentle work mare or something, three or four years old, you know, for just a little of nothing, and half broke. So I thought, well if you need a horse, well I'll just get used tractors, and that was a terrible mistake. Then you could buy a horse down there if you needed one. Then all those farmers quit raising horses.

DOROTHEA: Yeah, you can't hardly buy workhorses anymore.

GLENN: And I---

DOROTHEA: Sometimes I wish that we would go back to using a lot of horses. It would be a lot more time. But it would be a lot less expensive.

GLENN: Oh, you know, you can't even buy a spark plug for two or three hundred dollars.

DOROTHEA: I know it. Yeah. Then they've got these big tractors now that it takes, it is so expensive to repair them.

GLENN: Oh yeah. And it would cost as much as a farm in Texas to buy one new, you know.

DOROTHEA: It does.

GLENN: No, its --- you could hay, you know, well even here, you get, well up to the ranch they'll have three mowers, or four. And heck, you could do an awful lot of work, you know, just an awful lot of work with them. Horses get toughened in, and they'd be, it would surprise you, a person, how much work they can do.

DOROTHEA: Did you work a lot of Indians in the summertime on your haying?

GLENN: No, not many. Very few. There was Billy Washington, and "Hoodie Addey", not very many.

DOROTHEA: Daddy worked a lot of Indians in haying.

GLENN: Yeah, around Harney Valley there was more of them around over in that country, yeah. Here they, oh, Billy Washington, and his wife was Bertha Washington. And then Jack "Hoodie Addey".

DOROTHEA: "Hoodie Addey", I never heard of him.

GLENN: Well yeah, and I guess that was his name. The only name he knew, I guess, or I don't

know. DOROTHEA: "Hoodie Addey"?

GLENN: "Hoodie Addey", yeah, "Hoodie Addey". And they would grub willows in the wintertime, I know Dad would get them for just a little --- Well it was a lot then, maybe five dollars an acre or something, you know. Well maybe it was twenty, must have been twenty-five.

DOROTHEA: A lot of them came over from California in the summertime just to work for the ranchers around in the Drewsey, some of the Drewsey area, and Harney, and Rye Grass areas.

GLENN: Well there was some Indian; I can't think of his name, I never knew him. He worked in that Harney Valley country. I guess he was an expert hay stacker, with the old slides, you know. Awful good. But it's, now horses, in this country I think probably when I was a kid, well they're all gone now, I never did know who was in on it, but they'd steal horses, you know. And that was just like stealing your car or your tractor.

DOROTHEA: You bet. Your main piece of equipment.

GLENN: Yeah, and they said this one, named Canyon, that was still the forest of McBride, anyway that he stole the workhorses. I guess started out of this country here, Otis, or --- and some of them went after him. I don't know who. But they come back with the horses, but they left him. And next summer, why the shepherd's dog dug him out of a badger hole. And so they had the old hand crank telephones, you know, and you can ring your ring or my ring, all the receivers just go click, click, click.

DOROTHEA: Right, right, right.

BARBARA: Party line, everybody knew what was going on.

GLENN: Yeah. And they called for the sheriff. I thought of his name here awhile back. They called on up to Cleveland's, and down to Burns. But when he got there, the dead man had moved. They said that they didn't have much of a sheriff; he couldn't even catch a dead man. (Laughter) But it stopped horse stealing for a long, long time. But it's --- I don't know, I probably told you before, I'd go on to Drewsey, if you went a horseback, you always stayed away from the drunks. They'd get to bragging on your horse and give him a shot of "high-life" and have a rodeo.

DOROTHEA: Watch the rodeo.

GLENN: Yeah.

DOROTHEA: Well, is there any other funny stories that's you'd like to share with us? We're about to run out of tape.

GLENN: Oh, I don't know. I was seeing funny things, and heard funny things, but I, some of them are just maybe a little vulgar.

DOROTHEA: Not the kind you want printed.

GLENN: Well, no. All that stuff, it's --- of course now days on television and radio, they talk pretty plain, you know.

DOROTHEA: They don't keep much back.

GLENN: No.

DOROTHEA: So Glenn, why don't we get a video of you now, just a short video of you? And we'll close off this, and we'll review some of the things that we've talked about on the video. And we'd like to thank you. Barbara Lofgren has been with us this afternoon also. But we'd like to thank you for your time, and your afternoon.

GLENN: I'm glad to visit with you.

BARBARA: It's been fun.

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