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SUMMARY: This interview covers the lives of the Ullery family in Sedalia, Colorado. Ronald and Donald were born and raised in the Sedalia area. Their father was Wilfred Ullery and mother was Virginia Morrison, granddaughter of Christopher Weekley. They discuss going to school in Sedalia and going to high school in Castle Rock, including where to get a cheap lunch. They explain what they did after high school including various employment and entering the military. They also talk about the history of Sedalia including the fire department, various ranches like Woodbine and the Round-Up Ranch and business that have come and gone in Sedalia. There is also much discussion about the 1965 flood in Sedalia.

RONALD ULLERY: Down in Louviers.

DONALD ULLERY: And before he had the store, he hauled milk and drove a milk truck and delivered milk to --

MACHANN: The creamery?

DONALD ULLERY: That's when, well, that's when they lived over in Franktown. And dad had a twin brother that is buried over in the old cemetery in Parker, that's still down the hill.

MACHANN: The one that's sort of up?

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: Right.

RONALD ULLERY: It's all surrounded now.

MACHANN: Uh-huh. Yes. I've been to that.

RONALD ULLERY: And then I think mom's side of the family got here a lot earlier than dad's side because of the --

MACHANN: Now what was your mom's maiden name?

RONALD ULLERY: Morrison.

MACHANN: Morrison.

RONALD ULLERY: But ah, her mother was a Weekley.

MACHANN: Oh. That's a familiar name in the county. Yes.

RONALD ULLERY: And uh -- right. That was Chris Weekley. He had a, a ranch, well, it used to be where the new highway went through there and that's before there were any roads. You go up, not Daniels Park Road, but the other one just down --

DONALD ULLERY: Happy Canyon.

RONALD ULLERY: Happy Canyon.

MACHANN: Happy Canyon.

RONALD ULLERY: And that'd take you back. You'd go up there and then go back north about where the new highway [I-25?] was. He had a ranch set down there about where, I think, Beverly Hills, the old Beverly Hills. Now, it's --

MACHANN: Uh-huh. Part of Castle Pines North.

RONALD ULLERY: Castle Pines, yeah. He had a place there above Chuck, and then lived there, but then Larkspur, the Smiths --

DONALD ULLERY: -- Sweeneys.

RONALD ULLERY: The Sweeneys and McClures and those folks, all lived in Larkspur, and they, they were here in the 1800's, see. Yeah, talk about the Indian raids and stuff and how the kids would go down in the, in the summer. My, my great aunt Ellen used to tell us about that. I can, I remember I was, I don't know, probably six years old or so, maybe even a little younger, they lived out about twelve -- uncle Tom Starr had, that was aunt Ellen's husband, had a, they had a ranch right there where the [Highway] 105 and the Larkspur turnoff meet, right in there. They had a ranch there. That's where they, she would tell about the Indian raids days and how they would go to -- In those days, for entertainment, they'd go on a weekend to, get in a wagon and the family would go to neighbors, and they'd have a barn dance. And they'd spend, they'd spend the night because a wagon and horse took a long time for 'em to get there. You know.

MACHANN: Yeah. Slow going.

RONALD ULLERY: They may, they may go from there over to the South Lake Gulch and those of that type. So they'd just spend the night and then come back the next day. But I, I, I'm not real sure. It was in the 1800's sometime when they [unclear]--

MACHANN: But she remembers going down the --

RONALD ULLERY: Right.

MACHANN: The root cellar to hide from the --

RONALD ULLERY: As a matter of fact, I just looked at that tonight. I've got a, a letter that she wrote that, I think it was aunt Ellen or somebody retyped it, telling about the Indians.

DONALD ULLERY: Yes. It's about ten or twelve pages long, about the last Indian attack, she called it the last Indian attack, attack in Douglas County.

MACHANN: Oh. That, I'd love to run a copy of that.

DONALD ULLERY: And I've, we've got like, I brought this one up of the Ullery's. We've got one of genealogy of her side or both sides. It tells from all the way back to when the families moved here and who they were married to. So I might loan 'em to you. You'd probably get a real good kick out of 'em.

MACHANN: Oh, I would love, because it give me a lot of facts for the early, you know, founding of the family.

DONALD ULLERY: Just as you get to go up Daniels Park. Uh, I don't know if the building is still there or not, but where you turn in to the castle there, there used to be an old homestead there. That was our grandpa Morrison's place. He owned that, my uncle Bud and aunt Ninnie were both born there.

MACHANN: Oh. I think they're still around into back there.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: It might be.

MACHANN: I'll have to get over and take some pictures of that.

RONALD ULLERY: I know that before when Tweet first bought that, actually when Ray Blunt had it, or stayed up there, the cabin was still standing 'cause uncle Bud took us by it. Mom and dad did a couple of times, too. But I don't know if Tweet left it up or not.

MACHANN: Yeah. Did you get any pictures of it at that time?

DONALD ULLERY: No, they, they might have. But, and then there's an old homestead cabin out at the Dumke place out on Lake Gulch Road.

MACHANN: Oh, I know where that is. Yes, yes.

RONALD ULLERY: One of our, it was one of the homesteaders that homesteaded Douglas County and stuff.

DONALD ULLERY: And then my grandmother went to grade school in that, out on Garton Road, I don't know if you've been out there?

MACHANN: What is the name of the school, do you remember?

RONALD ULLERY: Well, I, it's just a little red brick schoolhouse that's still. It's on the Yock's [sp?] place is where it's at now.

MACHANN: And it's still there?

RONALD ULLERY: And it's still there. And that's where she went to grade school for a couple of years with the, oh, Johnnie [John] Ehmann and Simmie [Simon] Ehmann, and --

DONALD ULLERY: Who was the teacher out there that he was world famous? What was his name from uh? Victor, or up in there and traveled all over.

MACHANN: Oh, Drew Pearson?

DONALD ULLERY: No, I, I shouldn't have even brought it up. But, but he, his wife was a school teacher, and remember mom and them said that. But we're getting a way back from Sedalia.

MACHANN: Oh, no, no, no. That's fine. We, we get pretty free-ranging here because it's all part of Douglas County history. And, now your grandparents then moved from the Franktown-Parker area over here to run a store? And that was just before the depression.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, yeah, right. About the time of the depression because dad said that was one thing about that, they always had food because grandpa and then grandma had the store, so they, he said, they didn't have any money but they at least had --

MACHANN: Had food.

RONALD ULLERY: Didn't they have a swimming pool in the back? Wasn't that part of it?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah. They had a swimming pool in those days.

MACHANN: Now did they ever trade eggs for something else when people would come in and need --

DONALD ULLERY: I'm not sure how they did that. I know they naturally gave credit 'cause I think they had a lot of credit when they went out of the store business. That they hadn't --

MACHANN: Collected.

DONALD ULLERY: You know, collected the --

RONALD ULLERY: And there was a barber shop in that building also.

MACHANN: Do you remember the name of the barber?

DONALD ULLERY: No, but the barber chair is over here at Piccone's in the basement.

MACHANN: Oh, it is? [*Machann chuckles*]

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

MACHANN: Oh, that's interesting.

DONALD ULLERY: Old Archie, he took it up to his place and set up a barber shop.

RONALD ULLERY: He used to, he used to cut hair when we were kids up there.

MACHANN: Yeah, I remember him, you know, he was the local barber.

RONALD ULLERY: Anyway, that was where the barber chair came from, you see? From the grandparents.

MACHANN: And at any time, did they have a post office there?

DONALD ULLERY: No, not a post office.

MACHANN: When did the phones then come in? And that was right next door, wasn't it? The telephone, you know.

RONALD ULLERY: The cordboard?

MACHANN: Uh-huh.

RONALD ULLERY: You know, I don't know when that, when we got a phone, see, I don't know that there were phones here 'cause we got one, I mean, we were kids when we got a phone, and that was the old crank phone.

MACHANN: When you were on with an eight party line?

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, yes.

RONALD ULLERY: He said it was all eight party lines but those all come out of Castle Rock. Now, I know there was a cordboard over at -- Parker in those days, even when I was alive 'cause I can remember dad playing ball over there, and Mrs. Huff run the cordboard over there. But I don't ever remember a cordboard here in Sedalia.

MACHANN: Well, I don't either. Someone had told me that you, you know, had one there, but I wasn't sure.

RONALD ULLERY: I don't --

DONALD ULLERY: I never remember it.

RONALD ULLERY: I never saw it, and you know we went through --

MACHANN: Oh, you would have remembered it.

RONALD ULLERY: That whole place, and I never did see one there.

MACHANN: Yeah. Well, Bea Lowell used to be the operator, and she took care of everything, I think, on this end.

DONALD ULLERY: Right, right. The phones that used to be Madison something. I don't know.

MACHANN: Madison eight [*Machann chuckles*].

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, there you go. I can remember cranking the phone.

RONALD ULLERY: Everybody was surprised at how people would get on line and ask you to get off, cause they had an important phone call.

MACHANN: Yes.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, you would 'cause Allis' were on our line. And the one that, bless her heart, Mrs. Manhart -- Now she could talk on the phone.

YOUNG: [*Loud laughter from Donald Ullery, Machann and Young*] Oh.

DONALD ULLERY: [*unclear*] Dad would get so mad cause he was a truck driver and of course he'd get called out when he was to go out on the road and boy, bless her heart, Mrs. Manhart she, she visited with everybody.

MACHANN: Well, she was related almost to everybody.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah! [*Laughter from both men*]. That's true.

MACHANN: So she was talking to all the relatives, and that would take some time. Yes. Well, when your grandparents gave up the store, then your dad was in the trucking business?

RONALD ULLERY: Well, he worked for DuPont. Grandpa went to work for DuPont, and he was in the power plant. And then dad was on to the war and when he came

back, and he went to work for DuPont.

MACHANN: That was after the Second World War?

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, he went to work and he had, I don't know, twenty-five years, I think, when he died. 'Cause dad died at forty-seven.

MACHANN: Oh, he died young.

RONALD ULLERY: And so, anyway, that's where at that time everybody, just about, that lived in the town of Sedalia worked in Louviers. I mean, Stan Thompson --

DONALD ULLERY: Thurman.

RONALD ULLERY: Thurman was down there. Dad --

DONALD ULLERY: Bob Campbell.

RONALD ULLERY: Bob Campbell was there. Just about, you know, everybody that didn't have their own business worked in Louviers.

MACHANN: Uh-huh. There really wasn't much business in Sedalia at that time.

RONALD ULLERY: Cecil Johnson and the store. Old Frank Nelson and the store.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, Eddie Ehmann had the garage there for a while.

RONALD ULLERY: Eddie Ehmann had the garage.

DONALD ULLERY: Do you remember him?

MACHANN: I do, yes. Ah, there was, who were some of the other people who had garages in Sedalia?

RONALD ULLERY: Joe Sowa [*sp?*] had one.

DONALD ULLERY: Joe Sowa [*sp?*] down here on the end of the street.

MACHANN: Okay. Do you ever remember seeing a sign that said, "Sedalia Garage"?

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah. And that was, I think, Joe used to call it, "Sedalia Garage."

DONALD ULLERY: But, Bud, he, the bar used to be a garage before the bar went in.

MACHANN: Up, up here?

DONALD ULLERY: No, Bud's Bar.

RONALD ULLERY: See Bud's Bar used to be over where that lumber company was. See, I don't know if you remember that?

MACHANN: I don't remember that, but I had talked to Jerri Stewart, and she said her dad actually started the garage where Bud's is now.

ULLERY BROTHERS: Right.

MACHANN: And that there's two immense grease pits underneath that floor, so I hope nobody drops a match. [*Laughter from all*].

RONALD ULLERY: And then Bud moved across the street and built that one where Thurman is now.

DONALD ULLERY: Those are the only garages I can remember.

RONALD ULLERY: And then in those days, too Mort [*Morgan*] Roberts had a store at one time.

MACHANN: Yes, he did.

RONALD ULLERY: And I can remember --

MACHANN: Just west of the post office.

DONALD ULLERY: That's right.

MACHANN: Yes, to the east.

DONALD ULLERY: So there were three grocery stores at that time in -- Sedalia.

MACHANN: Well, and when your grandfather was in business, was that when the MacDonald's store was in competition with him? Sort of across the street where the Art Gallery is now?

RONALD ULLERY: The Art Gallery?

DONALD ULLERY: I don't, I don't remember a store ever being on up there.

MACHANN: Well, that was the MacDonald's store at one time. That was before the Rebecca's bought the store. That was probably before he came.

RONALD ULLERY: See, I guess Frank's was probably the oldest, Nelson's Mercantile, they called it. That's, he used to, it was a feed store, also. He'd sell, he'd get grain in 'cause he had, he had a half block there, and --

MACHANN: Well, dungarees and shirts and anything you needed.

RONALD ULLERY: Yes, and dances upstairs.

DONALD ULLERY: And then, when we were kids, see, he had a shooting range.

RONALD ULLERY: We'd shoot twenty-two's downstairs.

MACHANN: Oh, really?

DONALD ULLERY: Downstairs, so we started a club, and I think dad was a teacher and Lyle Williams. Do you remember the Williams that lived out --

RONALD ULLERY: You'd go back to the store --

DONALD ULLERY: His kids would have been about, Lila D. would have been about your's or Pam's age.

MACHANN: I think she was Pam's age. Yes.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah. And, but anyway, that bunch of them. When I say a

bunch, there was seven or eight of us kids, we'd have a -- They'd have a meeting every, about once a week, wasn't it?

DONALD ULLERY: I don't remember.

RONALD ULLERY: Or once a month and then they'd teach us gun safety, and we'd go down there and shoot twenty-two's.

DONALD ULLERY: Louviers had a shooting range in the bottom of their, with their bowling alley.

MACHANN: With their clubhouse. Yeah. Yes, I'd heard about that one, but I didn't know we had one here.

RONALD ULLERY: That was, that was a big time when we get to go down and set pins for the bowling alley down there. You'd get like a dollar a night then. Set pins for the club there [*Laughter from Machann*].

DONALD ULLERY: Used to hate it 'cause you had to sit up there on the side, and then if you was in the middle when you was between the two lanes and I don't know if you remember the Harcourts? Old Dee Harcourt, big guy. And when he'd throw that bowling ball, I bet it was going a hundred miles a hour. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*] And hit them pins, they'd just roll out. I used to hate to set them. [*Laughter from both men*]

MACHANN: Oh, and I hoped you ducked.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, we did.

MACHANN: Yeah. That clubhouse was wonderful.

DONALD ULLERY: And the movies. Did you ever go to the movies on Wednesday nights?

MACHANN: I never did go to any of the Wednesday night movies.

RONALD ULLERY: Wednesday night was, we used to look forward to it. If we weren't good, we didn't get to go. If we were, we'd --

DONALD ULLERY: Get to go down first.

RONALD ULLERY: We'd get to go down.

MACHANN: Well, and they were pretty inexpensive, weren't they?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah. They had bingo, and different things like that.

RONALD ULLERY: They, they were pretty good to the employees. I mean, at that time, they had picnics and a lot of things.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, see, at that time, they owned everything. All the houses. Everything. And the employees just -- lived there. But I can remember dad didn't want to live in Louviers. He wanted to stay here in Sedalia.

MACHANN: Well, if you've grown up here -- Was he born in Sedalia?

RONALD ULLERY: Well, yeah, he would have been, well, actually, Parker, probably because that's where his twin brother was born now. Now, let's see, dad was the oldest, then aunt Alice, then uncle Don --

DONALD ULLERY: Then aunt Mary.

RONALD ULLERY: Then aunt Mary was the youngest.

DONALD ULLERY: Aunt Mary was almost thirty years younger.

MACHANN: Now your aunt Alice married a Higby?

DONALD ULLERY: Right.

MACHANN: And then the next one was --

DONALD ULLERY: Don Ullery.

MACHANN: Don, and where did he go?

DONALD ULLERY: He never lived around here much. He, he, lived, well, he used to

live -- I'll take that back. He lived in Castle Rock and ran an old, years ago, a Sinclair filling station down there for years. Now, aunt Katie, his wife, taught high school in --
RONALD ULLERY: Cherry Creek.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, Castle Rock.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: -- first for some years. But they, they moved out of Castle Rock, and then they lived for a long time at where the old airport. It's right there off Hampden now. That used to be out in the country. There used to be an airport there.

RONALD ULLERY: Where the Marriott's at.

DONALD ULLERY: It's, they had a house there, and they lived there for a long time, and then he, he bought some trucks. Went to Wyoming, and worked a while and then he worked for Riss and Ringsby, and Gates, driving a truck mostly. And then they finally bought a house in Englewood, and they lived there until they passed away.

MACHANN: And then there was another daughter? Or another sister to your father? Mary.

DONALD ULLERY: Mary. And she married Gene Latham.

MACHANN: Okay, the Lathams.

RONALD ULLERY: They were related to the Morrelli's.

MACHANN: Right. Now was there a house, sort of down by Manhart's that was what they called the Latham house?

DONALD ULLERY: No, there was, there was two houses, actually three houses between the church and Manhart's. And the one close to the church, seems to me like, the minister used to live --

MACHANN: The minister lived there. Yes. Mounds [*sp?*].

DONALD ULLERY: There, whichever had a minister. And then there was two houses,

well --

RONALD ULLERY: Was there two houses or just another?

DONALD ULLERY: There was two houses. And I'm trying --

MACHANN: I think there was two houses.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, and I'm trying to think if there was a Nelson, a Nelson lived there. Frank Nelson's had a house there.

MACHANN: And it washed away in the flood.

DONALD ULLERY: And it washed away in the flood. And then the other one, I can't remember who they were. I can't think off --

MACHANN: But where did the, the Latham's live?

DONALD ULLERY: The Latham's, now Uncle Gene, I think, he lived with the Morrelli's because most of his relatives were out around Eads, Colorado.

MACHANN: Oh, okay. Because we have got a lot of blank cemetery records out here, where we don't have dates, and they're Latham's. So I'd love to fill those in sometime.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, well, I, I don't think --

MACHANN: And it could be that you might have some --

DONALD ULLERY: It's in there. It might be.

MACHANN: Yes. [*Laughter from Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I don't remember Uncle Gene actually --

MACHANN: Living here.

DONALD ULLERY: Living here unless he stayed with Norman at the Morrelli's.

MACHANN: Now did he work with Paul Stewart in the garage for a while?

DONALD ULLERY: I don't know about that.

RONALD ULLERY: I don't know either.

MACHANN: Because Jerri Stewart was talking about him just the other day, and I believe he did work with her dad. Yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, he could have but, but he --

DONALD ULLERY: Well, I didn't know Paul worked in a garage. I thought he --

RONALD ULLERY: I, I knew that.

MACHANN: He couldn't because of his injury.

RONALD ULLERY: Right 'cause I know he had --

MACHANN: But he, he owned the building, and he built it and farmed the work out, I guess.

DONALD ULLERY: 'Cause I remember him as the postmaster for as long as I can remember.

MACHANN: Well, I've got to ask you. Do you remember, and I believe this was well within our lifetimes. Do you remember the post office ever being robbed?

RONALD ULLERY: I brought that up to Don. He was in the service.

DONALD ULLERY: I, see I think I was in the service. This was after the flood, right?

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: And see, the flood took our house, and then Ron and I had a place in Jacks [*Jackson Creek*] up on, in Shambala, and mom and dad moved up there, and then I, when they moved up, I joined the service in February -- February of, that would have been, [19]66, I think.

RONALD ULLERY: You can't lie.

MACHANN: Good. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*]. Okay. Well, if you don't mind loaning that to us, we would love to look through it. Well, tell me --

DONALD ULLERY: So I don't remember.

MACHANN: Yeah, you don't, but were you here during the flood?

RONALD ULLERY: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: Yes.

MACHANN: You were both here?

RONALD ULLERY: I was in Castle Rock actually. Well, you got down here. I got down here the next day.

DONALD ULLERY: I was in Pueblo. I was working for Hier and Price at that time. And we were down there drilling a well, and Tax Smith and myself, and I think Jim Hier.

MACHANN: Started coming north?

DONALD ULLERY: So we started coming north, and I know we worked, we had to go way east to, to get across some of the creeks and stuff, but we finally got back and when they said it took our house, I took -- I didn't believe it.

MACHANN: Yes, because it was so high.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I, I could spend --

MACHANN: It was unbelievable.

RONALD ULLERY: And I think I told you, dad had some great movies of that, and I can't, I can't find them for the life of me. He stood up, up above grandma's house there and took the wall of water coming down.

MACHANN: Oh. That must have been heart breaking.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah. It took everything.

MACHANN: Did your parents get out with at least a billfold? You know, so many people didn't.

RONALD ULLERY: I'm not sure.

DONALD ULLERY: Not a billfold, but everything, it just went through our house, and it just looked like the movers had come in. There wasn't a couch, there -- the washing machine, the dryer, all the beds, just gutted. Now the house stood through the --

MACHANN: Yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: The vacuum came out.

RONALD ULLERY: The vacuum got kind of, and we lost, dad had a camper. It floated down. They found it down by Price's down below where Hier's stood now, but -- we, we hauled mud out of that for a long time 'cause the mud was just very --

DONALD ULLERY: But dad didn't, he really didn't want to go back.

RONALD ULLERY: That's when he started to get sick with his cancer thing pretty much about that time.

MACHANN: Well, I think you had a shed in the back, too, didn't you that --

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah. Leveled it.

MACHANN: Sort of storage. Yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: And there was a little house behind there. And I remember Bill Overman.

RONALD ULLERY: Bill Overman had that little log house.

DONALD ULLERY: I don't know if he was living there at the time.

RONALD ULLERY: No. Bill sold it to the, an older couple, and I think Dick was his first name. But I can't remember his last name, but Bill was, he was out on [*Highway*] 105 by that time.

MACHANN: Now so many people don't even remember most of the houses that were down there. Most people here don't even remember George and Edna Allis. And I remember where their house was, but there was other houses down there, too. Do you remember who was down there?

RONALD ULLERY: Well, there was George and Edna Allis, and then on the, the Grange. And then the other side of them, a family by the name of, when I was in school, Bass lived there, Bob Bass was the kid, the guy, the kid's name, the boy, but they, that house sold quite a bit and then that was the last, that was the last house in those days.

DONALD ULLERY: Wasn't there a house across there, the creek, that, we called 'em "Cookie", or somebody --

RONALD ULLERY: Well, no, that was --

DONALD ULLERY: They lived in a little house --

RONALD ULLERY: There was a house across the creek by, below Mrs. Scott's --

MACHANN: Uh-huh, before, below--

RONALD ULLERY: Algot, Algot was his name.

MACHANN: Yes. And he used to raise irises, I remember.

DONALD ULLERY: He was, he was a bachelor, and I can remember us kids would go down there and play, and you know, in those days, that wasn't a bachelor, you just, it was unheard of. [*Laughter from Machann*] And he was kinda scary. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*]. Everybody, 'cause and that's boy, you don't want a, you know how kids get things and don't want -- and please, God, got enough guts, I don't know if he even knows one time to knock on his door, and say "Hi." And just scared to death, and he was the nicest old man you ever met. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

Brought a sack of candy out, and gave us candy.

RONALD ULLERY: Was happy to have somebody to talk too.

MACHANN: So he wasn't as scary once you met him.

DONALD ULLERY: No, but you know how that comes about.

RONALD ULLERY: The Allis', what did they have behind their house? They raised, what was that skunk? Not skunk, but rabbits.

DONALD ULLERY: Rabbits.

RONALD ULLERY: Then they, what was it -- mink?

DONALD ULLERY: Foxes.

RONALD ULLERY: Foxes or something. There was a fox farm behind the Allis where they were raising them at one time.

DONALD ULLERY: That was --

RONALD ULLERY: Well, Allis' didn't, but whoever had it before them.

DONALD ULLERY: 'Cause I can remember that when I was little, Earl and, around in the, you know, the sheds and all that kind of stuff down there.

RONALD ULLERY: They raised a lot of rabbits, and they sold 'em for meat.

MACHANN: Yes. Well, now did they live on the place that was the creamery at one time?

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, no. No, they, they had a house 'cause the creamery was back there where the --

MACHANN: It was behind them, and it was bigger than their house, as I remember.

DONALD ULLERY: Right, now I, we called 'em, uncle George and aunt Edna 'cause

they were neighbors for years, but uncle George had a bedroom out in the garage 'cause he worked at DuPont.

MACHANN: Uh-huh.

DONALD ULLERY: And that's where he'd sleep --

MACHANN: When he was on the shifts --

DONALD ULLERY: -- Most of the time 'cause he was on shift work. And that way, aunt Edna and Lillian and Earl could do what they wanted in the house, and he could still get his sleep.

MACHANN: Yeah. Ah, do you remember what happened to the creamery?

DONALD ULLERY: It burned.

MACHANN: Oh, did it? Oh.

DONALD ULLERY: It, it was -- remember when we lived down there, and the fire was going. Now the Allis' lived there at that time. But that, behind them all burnt.

MACHANN: Do you remember what, how old you were when that happened?

DONALD ULLERY: It was --

RONALD ULLERY: I don't remember.

DONALD ULLERY: You don't remember it? It was, well, you were little. I can remember looking down there, and it looked like the whole thing looking out those windows.

RONALD ULLERY: I was [unclear] unless you told 'em. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: I was, it had to have been --

MACHANN: Do you think we should be getting into this? [*Laughter from Machann and Young*]

DONALD ULLERY: -- had to have been in the late [19]40s or early [19]50s 'cause I was little. I can remember looking out, and I'm sure it was the creamery 'cause there was a big fire down there.

MACHANN: Well, and I can remember going down there, and Allis' had a small house and behind it, was this big structure.

RONALD ULLERY: Uh-huh.

MACHANN: At that time, I was too young to put anything together, but I think that was perhaps the creamery.

DONALD ULLERY: I think so. And then I, I'm sure that 'cause it just scared the death out of me. I, I was probably, I was probably five, maybe six, if I was that old.

MACHANN: And what year were you born?

DONALD ULLERY: [19]45.

MACHANN: [19]45, that will help us put it in perspective.

DONALD ULLERY: So it would be late, like I say, the late [19]40s or early [19]50s.

MACHANN: Right. Well, when Terry Thompson might remember that.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

MACHANN: You know, when I start asking questions because I didn't realize the creamery had burned.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, I, I won't say, that there was a big fire down there 'cause I can remember the truck and stuff, and I think that was the creamery that burned.

MACHANN: And John Thompson and some of the rest of the old timers would remember that.

DONALD ULLERY: Now Terry might, probably would, 'cause he is quite a bit

younger than I am, a lot younger.

DOUGGIE YOUNG: He isn't old enough to retire yet.

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: But Stan, well, he's not here any more.

RONALD ULLERY: Thurman might?

DONALD ULLERY: Thurman might.

MACHANN: Thurman and John Thompson.

RONALD ULLERY: And Alice. We could ask aunt Alice. We meant to bring her down tonight too.

MACHANN: Oh. That would have been lovely.

RONALD ULLERY: She would have probably been able to tell you a lot of things.

MACHANN: Yes, but you know, it's pretty cold on old bones.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

MACHANN: Yes. And if she gets as tired as the folks do -- Yeah. When the sun goes down, they like to be home.

RONALD ULLERY: That's true.

MACHANN: But you know, if she's ever out on a weekend or if she would like to visit, we'd love to, to have her, and what I'd like to do, is bring our little scrapbook over and look at pictures of the town. I've got a couple of 'em here.

DONALD ULLERY: That's neat. You folks keep pretty busy. When did you decide to start doing this or?

MACHANN: About a year and a half ago. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: I, I think, I think it's great.

RONALD ULLERY: I think it is too. Now how long have you folks lived here then?

DOUGGIE YOUNG: I moved here for good in [19]89. My husband's family has been in the Papoose Club since the [19]20s.

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, okay.

MACHANN: Do you remember Alice Young?

RONALD ULLERY: Alice Young?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I do. The name, I sure do.

MACHANN: Yes, well, Douggie is married to his [*her*] son. [*Coughing from Ronald*]. A record -- [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: I, I'm sure they, they probably knew dad 'cause dad went up there fishing. I can remember going up what they called "shocking" the fish.

YOUNG: It's where they throw dynamite in the lake and scoop 'em out.

MACHANN: Oh my goodness.

DONALD ULLERY: Or you'd go down with electricity and shock 'em, and that would stun them and then you'd throw the suckers up on the, the bank.

RONALD ULLERY: And the State Game and Fish would do that two or three times in the summer.

MACHANN: Oh, at the Papoose Club?

DONALD ULLERY: No, up, up the side on the river.

MACHANN: Oh, okay, up on the Platte.

DONALD ULLERY: Now the Papoose Club is a private club.

YOUNG: His family lived there. That was Fred's grandfather's, and would come back and visit.

DONALD ULLERY: During the summer.

RONALD ULLERY: Okay. I'm thinking of Wigwam.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, Papoose's, is you go around that one real sharp corner and then right back in there.

YOUNG: Woodbine, there were a number of camps.

MACHANN: Yeah Woodbine and Wigwam is further up.

DONALD ULLERY: Round-up Ranch and all the fun places that used to be up there.

YOUNG: Oh, yes. [*Laughter from Donald and Young*] All the gambling establishments and I understand there was few stills --

RONALD ULLERY: There's just a few things going on.

DONALD ULLERY: I know that mom went up there to the, oh, Frank Penley owned it, the --

YOUNG: The Round Up Ranch?

RONALD ULLERY: The Round Up Ranch?

MACHANN: Did your mom work up there?

DONALD ULLERY: Yep, she used to work out there, just on weekends, when they'd have --

MACHANN: A lot of people [*Train in background*].

DONALD ULLERY: -- A lot of people. She, she'd go up there and work, work for old Frank. In those days, I guess she'd go up there and she'd be home at nine or ten o'clock,

so sometimes I'd get to go up with her.

MACHANN: Now that was a restaurant as well as a, you know, sort of --

YOUNG: Gambling.

MACHANN: Gambling. Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: I think they --

MACHANN: What did they serve up there?

DONALD ULLERY: Who knows what went on there. [*Laughter from all*]. Now I can remember the time I was up there that I remember was fried chicken. I'm sure they served, you know, everything.

MACHANN: Well, they may have specialized in fried chicken.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, Sprucewood used to have real good food at one time. I don't know if they still do or not.

YOUNG: I haven't been there in years, although this February fourteenth is the Valentine's Day up the canyon, which is fifteen dollars a couple.

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, really? It's still, they're still, is it still in business then?

YOUNG: Uh-huh. Oh yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, yeah, I've heard --

YOUNG: It's mostly a biker bar. [*Laughter*]. But there is a, a loosely related group of the Indian Park School House association that does things up there. Valentine's is one of them.

DONALD ULLERY: That was one of the last fire calls I ever went on, I think, is, there is a place across from Sprucewood back in there, was on fire.

MACHANN: Now you both attended the Sedalia schools.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I always. Don went one year in the older part. And I was the, I was actually the first first grader that went in to --

MACHANN: Oh, into the new -- [*Phone ringing*]

RONALD ULLERY: The new part.

MACHANN: New part. Oh. He's got bells.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah. [*Phone ringing*]. We went there and it was a real -- [unclear]

MACHANN: Oh. Well, then when you went --

RONALD ULLERY: Yes.

MACHANN: -- to Castle Rock for junior high school? And high school or?

DONALD ULLERY: [*to person on phone*] Well, I was having a meeting about this, Leon.

RONALD ULLERY: No, we went to --

MACHANN: You were here for eight years, right?

DONALD ULLERY: [*to person on phone*] Well, I'm in a meeting right now, but can I, can I call you back?

RONALD ULLERY: [unclear] One year at Wilcox, the old school, was that you? And then they built the new one.

DONALD ULLERY: [*to person on phone*] I'll call you at home 'cause I should be home then. Okay babe.

MACHANN: So you've experienced --

RONALD ULLERY: Quite a bit of growth.

MACHANN: Quite a broad spectrum of, of schools.

RONALD ULLERY: But I liked the Wilcox building. It had a lot of character.

MACHANN: Yeah. That, I liked Wilcox School too.

RONALD ULLERY: I did, too.

MACHANN: Yes, and they're getting ready to, they're hoping to convert the Cantril Elementary School into a cultural center.

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, are they?

MACHANN: Yes. And do you remember walking from the high school up [unclear]

RONALD ULLERY: They used to let us out and would let us go up to the Main Street. Yes, I remember going to Cantril.

DONALD ULLERY: If you wanted to eat a school lunch, you went up to Cantril. If not, we used to eat at the --

MACHANN: B&B.

DONALD ULLERY: The hotel, the B&B, and --

RONALD ULLERY: The drugstore's where I used to go 'cause you could get a bowl of soup and a grilled cheese sandwich, something for cheaper than cheap. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: You could get a hamburger in those days at the Sportsman when old Peterson owned it. He was pretty good with kids. You could go in there and get a hamburger, I think it was fifty cents or something like that. So we'd [*Laughter from Machann*], so we'd go there.

RONALD ULLERY: Another person, of course he wasn't here that early, was Paul McIntyre. Don stopped in there today, you know. He had Johnson's Corner for so many years.

MACHANN: Yes, where is he?

DONALD ULLERY: He lives in Castle Rock.

MACHANN: Oh, he does?

DONALD ULLERY: We stop by and saw him. He's [*clears throat*], I asked him, I said, "How old are you, Paul?", 'cause he was really good, as you folks know, of a bunch of us kids from Louviers and Sedalia worked there when we were going to high school, and it was a neat, you know, he'd let you work the hours you cared for. Neat way to make money, but anyway, I guessed, he was ninety-five, and he was, he's ninety-seven. He'll be ninety-eight in a month.

YOUNG: Oh, my goodness.

DONALD ULLERY: So he's, about now, as far as being in Sedalia, Johnson's Corner was there as long as I can remember.

MACHANN: Oh, yes. Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: And ah --

MACHANN: Remember Mrs. Mead's pies?

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, yes, the best pies that I've ever had!

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: And that's bar none.

MACHANN: She had a white thumb. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: And that's basically all she did. She baked pies and rolls. She made some real good home made rolls up there.

RONALD ULLERY: Mrs. Thompson started baking pies.

MACHANN: Neva Thompson, I understand was --

RONALD ULLERY: Did a real good job with it, too.

MACHANN: Yes, yes. So when you two graduated from high school, during high school, you worked for Paul McIntyre at the Johnson's Corner.

RONALD ULLERY: Basically yes.

MACHANN: Uh- huh. And then after high school, what did you do?

RONALD ULLERY: You go first.

DONALD ULLERY: Should I go through all of 'em or should I throw them out?
[*Laughter from Machann*].

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, give them the [unclear]. [*Laughter from all*].

MACHANN: Give us the run down.

DONALD ULLERY: You can turn that tape off. Mine is short and sweet. [*Laughter from all*].

RONALD ULLERY: I've done a lot of different things, I guess. I've worked for the highway department, and I've worked over in Glenwood Springs, which I enjoyed surveying. And I had the liquor store here right next to Bud's Bar for four or five years, which your father sold me some carpet and put in there. And I was a shoe cobbler for four or five years, in Castle Rock and then I had the sub sandwich shop up here on the --

MACHANN: Just --

RONALD ULLERY: Where that's called O'Briens now.

MACHANN: O'Briens? Uh-huh, yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: And had a little bit of a tire shop with Jim Wambaugh down where, we sold that to uh --

MACHANN: Sedalia Tire.

RONALD ULLERY: Sedalia Tire, and now I'm working with the Douglas County School District. I've been with them for eleven years.

MACHANN: Oh, and did you just sort of --

RONALD ULLERY: Well, I find I got tired of doing the business things cause I wasn't making any money, and the government wouldn't let you make any money, and I wanted to get some where I had retirement. And so I coach girls' softball, and work for the School District.

MACHANN: Oh, that sounds like a good thing to be in. Sounds like fun. And what have you been doing?

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, I graduated from high school, went to work for Hier-Price, and then like I said, after the flood in [19]65, I joined the Navy in February of, I believe it was, [19]66 and spent four years in the Navy. Got out of the Navy and went to work for Mountain States Telephone Company. And I stayed with them until, well, they finally became Mountain Bell, and then U.S. West. I retired from them in 1990, and went to work for a, a company by the name of Fujitsu, makes fiber optic equipment, and I was a sales engineer for them for about eleven years, and retired the twenty-seventh of November.

MACHANN: Oh. I may have to check you with you on spelling of that company.

DONALD ULLERY: Fujitsu.

RONALD ULLERY: If you sneeze you get Fu-jitzu! [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: F-U-J-I-T-S-U. Fujitsu.

MACHANN: Now, so you were not living in Sedalia when the flood of [19]65 came up.

DONALD ULLERY: No, we were up in Shambala.

RONALD ULLERY: We'd made our big independence move from Mom and Dad.

DONALD ULLERY: In those days --

RONALD ULLERY: I don't know if you remember Murphy's? Dr. Murphy and all. Lucy. Lucy.

DONALD ULLERY: I think she is 'cause she worked for the schools. I'd run into her once in a while.

YOUNG: Oh, she was working when my boys were in the first and second grades. They've graduated [unclear].

DONALD ULLERY: But they moved out and they let us, and I think, I forget what we paid, but it was thirty-five dollars, what was it we were paying a month rent up there?

RONALD ULLERY: I think it was more in the neighborhood of -- seems to me like a hundred and fifty bucks.

DONALD ULLERY: It wasn't very much, but --

MACHANN: And it's beautiful up there.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, it was nice.

DONALD ULLERY: Of course, in those days when -- the rule was, you could stay at home as long as you were going to school, and when you quit school, you could stay at home, if you paid rent, so him and I decided we were going to pay rent [*Laughter from all*] 'cause if we'd move out of the house -- So that's, so that's what we did, and I have what three lovely grandkids and one on the way. So that, I've, I've enjoyed them, to visit.

RONALD ULLERY: And I've never been married, so --

DONALD ULLERY: Too grumpy. [*Loud laughter from Machann and Young*].

MACHANN: Well, one of these days, you know what happens to bachelors, old bachelors sometimes just get, you know --

RONALD ULLERY: Well, I'm hoping they just get older [*Laughter from all*].

MACHANN: No, you may just get blind sided one of these days, it happens.

RONALD ULLERY: Yes, it does.

YOUNG: You'll have to keep a bag of candy by the door to give to little kids that come over. [*Laughter from all*].

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah. That's probably why nobody comes by trick or treating at my place [*Laughter from all*].

MACHANN: Well, what's one of your real fond memories of growing up in this community.

RONALD ULLERY: I think one of mine. I have, we were talking about it the other day. Growin' up in Sedalia was just really a neat thing, I think. We both really enjoyed it, but I, I liked Halloween. As a matter of fact, everybody was so good to the kids when we went out, and I enjoyed the Christmas programs, and stuff at the school. And like we were talking about the turkey shoots and stuff, that we used to have down on your place on, on weekends whenever we had it. They were just fun, fun things for the people.

MACHANN: The whole community would get together.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, it was just a great place, 4-H, all that to me, was, I know you asked for one, but I --

MACHANN: Oh, well, no.

RONALD ULLERY: And I think, I think the idea of just growin' up here out in the country here.

MACHANN: Did you take part in 4-H?

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, we had gardens. But we didn't want to weed, but dad said we had to have 'em. [*Machann laughs*]. We weeded 'em, and weeded 'em, and weeded 'em. We had 4-H, as a matter of fact, your mom taught us cooking. That's why we look like we do now. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*] We've been thinking of suin' her. [*Loud laughter from Machann and Ronald*].

MACHANN: I'll tell her that.

DONALD ULLERY: I think dad probably remembers. I had the paper route.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: For I don't know, two or three years, and I can remember you were the longest paper --

MACHANN: That was the furthest south you had to go.

DONALD ULLERY: I had to go, and some of those winters I couldn't ride the bike, so I had to, to hike it. I can remember put hip boots on, and go down there and deliver the, your paper, but you asked what I liked most, it was the people. I can remember everybody's house I went to. Bob Campbell would be waiting for his paper, and he, you know, always invite me in and usually I'd have a cookie or something there. Oh, Bruff Allison, when they lived there, they had a dog. I'd always have to go in. It'd take me three hours to do the paper route because everybody would invite me in for a cookie or a visit or [*Laughter from Ronald, Young and Machann*] something.

MACHANN: I think I've got grounds where you can't sue mom. [*Laughter from Ronald, Machann and Young*]. I think she's off the hook.

RONALD ULLERY: But ah, that people were just --

DONALD ULLERY: She might be --

MACHANN: Yes.

RONALD ULLERY: It was --

DONALD ULLERY: Just a great, great community.

RONALD ULLERY: Jack Trio taught mechanics --

DONALD ULLERY: Soldering and we had the gardens, and everybody was involved. And we'd all get together and go around and visit the ranchers used to know all the

kids, had the ranches, they, of course, had livestock, and it was just a --

RONALD ULLERY: Oh and everybody helped everybody. You know, today, of course, we have a lot of new people, but I know in Castle Rock. Well, I noticed that the fire deal the other day, the flag raising, you know, I looked at Bob Campbell, Thurman Thompson, you folks --

MACHANN: It hasn't changed that much

DONALD ULLERY: No.

RONALD ULLERY: There's just, but the people.

MACHANN: Yes.

RONALD ULLERY: Have changed a lot.

MACHANN: Yes. We've got a lot of new folks.

RONALD ULLERY: A lot of new folks.

MACHANN: In the surrounding areas. But you know, Sedalia, itself, hasn't changed.

DONALD ULLERY: No.

MACHANN: Except for the flood and that was nature, a nature change.

RONALD ULLERY: Right, it really was.

MACHANN: Now you said you fought a fire, you know, you have some experience fighting fires? In that day and age, if the siren went off, everybody just grabbed a shovel as I remember.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, the fire truck --

DONALD ULLERY: That's was what I was telling Bob Maloney, who was fire chief. He's my cousin. At one time, when we were kids, the siren would go off, Thurman [Thompson], Bob Campbell, two or three of the men would come up here to this old

firehouse, and there would be about five or six of us kids, and what we were there for is to push the fire truck to get it started. In fact, nine times out of ten, it wouldn't start.

MACHANN: Old 945, I remember that [*Laughter from all*].

RONALD ULLERY: You remember Lukies' [*sp?*] house?

MACHANN: Oh, yes.

RONALD ULLERY: If I'm not wrong, didn't they have to push the fire truck over there to put --

MACHANN: To put the fire out. [*Laughter from Ronald*]. Well, and the pump, you always had to kick it to get it started, you know.

RONALD ULLERY: One up on Sprucewood, if I remember right, we had to back up Jarre Canyon because it didn't have enough power to pull it up [*Laughter from all*]. But we got there.

DONALD ULLERY: But we were great volunteers, you know, but you remember --

RONALD ULLERY: We never lost a foundation [*Laughter from all*].

MACHANN: Well, when this department started, we were the same way. Never lost a basement.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I know.

RONALD ULLERY: Do you remember the fire up at, ah, the road to the dam up there, Cheeseman Dam. Back, the big fire?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I remember that.

RONALD ULLERY: But, this was back in about [19]61.

DONALD ULLERY: I was working for the [unclear]. I drove a gas truck up there and set up there all night.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, I, this was when Paul had it 'cause I was up there for that

one.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, maybe it was a different fire. Yeah, that's when we get our stories --

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: No cause I was up there for a week. The Army was up there.

RONALD ULLERY: That's a different one then.

MACHANN: That was a forest fire.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, a forest fire, wasn't it?

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: And they just, the government took over McIntyre's gas truck and said, "You will deliver gas up there."

MACHANN: Yeah. Our trucks need it.

DONALD ULLERY: Exactly.

MACHANN: Yes. So you were delivering gas back there?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I'd go up there and stay and then when I'd run out of gas, I'd come back and get --

MACHANN: Fill up?

DONALD ULLERY: A boat and go up there. And that was kind of a fun experience.

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RONALD ULLERY: -- bad memories of Sedalia.

DONALD ULLERY: I'll tell you what. It was always just a big, good place to -- remember what I can't think of --

MACHANN: Do you remember huge snow storms or natural phenomenon? Other than the flood of [19]65?

DONALD ULLERY: Well, yes, a big, bad snow storms, but you know, I guess since a kid and then growing up, I, I didn't think that was bad.

MACHANN: [*Laughter from Machann*]. It was probably a lot of fun wasn't it? You didn't have to go to school.

DONALD ULLERY: Of course in those days, I couldn't do it today, but we used to sleigh ride right here from the post office down to Nelson's.

MACHANN: On Highway 67?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, [*Highway*] 67,

RONALD ULLERY: When it was dirt.

DONALD ULLERY: Every day it was dirt for a while and when they paved it, we really could go [*Machann and Young chuckle*] on it. I mean, there was no traffic.

MACHANN: Right, but now you couldn't.

DONALD ULLERY: No, you couldn't.

MACHANN: You can hardly get out, you know, of your driveway some days I imagine.

DONALD ULLERY: But as far as bad --

RONALD ULLERY: I'd say when we got spanked and stuff outside of the house.

MACHANN: Oh [*unclear*]

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah. Just about every night.

DONALD ULLERY: I always joke and kid with people. I say if I'd grown up now, my parents probably both been arrested for child abuse. You know, I loved 'em and I thought the world of 'em. Every time I got it, it seemed like I knew I needed it.
[Laughter from Machann and Young].

MACHANN: Well, then you had an **[unclear]**.

DONALD ULLERY: No.

MACHANN: Well, what's your fondest memory of your parents? Anything special about your mom that you remember? Any special food that she used to --

RONALD ULLERY: Well, she used, she was a good cook, and we grew up on wild meat. We didn't have the money to really do the others, and she was just a real good cook, and she canned like our gardens, and we used to go up to the Lambert Ranch and get choke cherries and plums, and she'd make jellies, and she was just a real good, a real good cook.

DONALD ULLERY: The lady'd do anything for you. You know, a lot of ladies today are good cooks or maybe good sewing, maybe not do either, a good housekeeper or whatever, but bless mom's heart if, you know in those days, like Sedalia School, if we needed a basketball uniform or something, she made it. If it needed, you know, if we didn't have the material, of course, we didn't have a lot of money like Ron says, but you know, she might have to dye it, sew the letters on. We always ate, you know, maybe not T-bone steaks, but we always had a good meal, three meals a day, and so she was just a pretty neat lady when it come that way. And took pretty good care of us, and I had, Ronnie and Gary always felt sorry for them 'cause like I say, dad died at forty-seven. And so they really didn't get to spend the time with him that I did.

MACHANN: But you did, yes.

DONALD ULLERY: You know, in those days, some of the fondest memories was him and I going elk hunting and fishing. We used to go up to Deckers two, three times a week, just to fish. You know, it's an hour to the river and he'd get off work in the summer and we'd have two or three hours of daylight. Jump in his old pickups and away we'd go and come back, and he was strict. But loved him dearly. He was good to

us, too.

MACHANN: Yes. Did you come home with fish?

DONALD ULLERY: Always.

RONALD ULLERY: He was, he was a regular fisherman.

DONALD ULLERY: I didn't always, but my dad, you can ask --

RONALD ULLERY: See, he, he, he grew up here, so he was up on the river, you know, all the time.

MACHANN: And he knew where the holes were?

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, he knew how to fish it real well, and in this picture here, I noticed the Dakan girls. They were twins, and there's a place called Dakan Ranch out there, and we used to, as kids, cultivated the Dakans, and we'd go up and back there all the time and go grouse hunting and deer hunting and --

DONALD ULLERY: [unclear]

RONALD ULLERY: Good thing we were with dad because he always took us. Every weekend, we went fishing, didn't we? Something as a family.

MACHANN: That's special.

DONALD ULLERY: And it was, and we did that through high school. I mean, it was our family deal. Dad finally, mom and dad got a camper, one of those overhead campers, and we'd go to Turquoise Lake and Eleven Mile [*Reservoir*].

RONALD ULLERY: I've got to tell you a funny about mom though was. She, when it lightnined, she always got really scared, and she always thought the safest place was in the car, so we would get sandwiched up or whatever, and we'd go out in the car and sit, and then lightning would go, and we'd cover ourselves up with blankets. And lock the doors.

RONALD ULLERY: Sit out the storm in the car. [*Laughter from all*]

DONALD ULLERY: I don't know if it was any safer or not, but she thought it was 'cause dad was off, when he was driving his trucks -- The story they told us about was that the, the jolly green, what was his name? If he was good when we were kids, it was actually a green guy on green beans.

MACHANN: Yes. The Jolly Green Giant.

RONALD ULLERY: The Jolly Green Giant.

DONALD ULLERY: No, but what did dad call him? Ah, if we were good, he'd, he'd come to visit us when we come home. We'd get off the trucks. It wasn't the Jolly Green Giant, I don't think, but -- I just now happen to kind of think of that. No, we had, we had good lives.

MACHANN: Yeah, well, you know, you lived fairly close to the creek, and your mom was alone a lot, were there any scary things that happened? Any animals?

DONALD ULLERY: No, outside of the lightning, I don't think so.

RONALD ULLERY: No, we, we actually, Mrs. Scott was a great lady and that was our backyard. You know, we were, we had forts down there, old sand cliffs. We had ledges across that, and we --

DONALD ULLERY: We were outdoors so much. Animals didn't really bother us.

MACHANN: Yeah, Yeah. Nothing scared your Mom except for lightning?

RONALD ULLERY: No, lightning would, but I can't, we just got along --

RONALD ULLERY: Probably one of the funniest things was when the, I think it was Steve Hardy and Judy Hardy and Earl Allis rolled that culvert through dad's fence.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, dad was mad.

RONALD ULLERY: But he just, you know, he just said, "Well, you guys got to come over and fix it." And they came over and --

DONALD ULLERY: Put it back up. [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

MACHANN: Do you have any special memories of Laura Scott?

RONALD ULLERY: I lived up there for quite a few years there a while back and she, like Douggie says, she is a pretty nice --

DONALD ULLERY: She would grab, that's one of the --

MACHANN: Yeah, she was special.

RONALD ULLERY: She treated dad real well.

MACHANN: Yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: Dad got along with her real well.

DONALD ULLERY: Dad had, you know, the, I won't say the run of the place, but if he wanted to go on there with us kids, didn't have to ask her, she was always real nice to us, and I know dad used to go over there and get for our gardens, of course, they had to have fertilizer, so we used cow manure, and we'd go over there and get it from her all the time. Of course, she worked at the Post Office for years.

MACHANN: Yeah. Well, and I don't believe she has any living relatives? Now that's why we don't have any stories from Laura Scott.

DONALD ULLERY: She had 'cause when I was living up there, she had a niece or somebody that lived up there on her place for a little bit. And I don't know the whole story, but there was some problems with her living there. And it wasn't anything today. The lawyer and them wanted her to do it, but there was some relative --

MACHANN: Well, if you ever think of the name, you know, we don't have any stories of Laura.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, 'cause I never remember her husband and I can't think -- Dad, it was either dad or grandpa told, told us how he died. 'Cause he died, I think, you know, long before we were --

MACHANN: When she was pretty young --

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, yeah, I think not. I don't think they'd been married a long time when he, when he passed away, but I don't remember how. *[pause]* But that's when she lived, see she lived down on the creek there in those days. And of course the flood wiped her out, but she built that house up on the hill.

MACHANN: Well do you have any good stories about Albert Manhart?

DONALD ULLERY: Good stories? *[Laughter from all]*. Well I do.

MACHANN: Well, how 'bout some fire stories? Those are always good.

DONALD ULLERY: I do have good stories about -- I, you know, they were neat neighbors. Of course, in those days, Manharts had what we call, ah, money, you know, more money than we had. But Albert was probably one of the best gardeners that I've seen. He used to, that yard of his, I, even as a kid, I just loved to go over there and look at it. And you could if he went with you. You know, his, I mean, he was pretty particular and should have been. But just beautiful, all kinds of flowers. The lawn was always in just, looked like velvet. If there was a little patch like that, he had it fixed the next day, but one of the funniest things is when he'd be out working, if it was dinner time or lunch time, at our house, I could hear just plain as day, yelling, "Albert!" And I knew it was -- *[Laughter from all]*.

MACHANN: It means they wanted him in --

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah! *[Laughter from all]*.

DONALD ULLERY: It would rattle your ears.

RONALD ULLERY: And you, when we'd walk down to church or we'd go down to Allis' or wherever we was going to go play, you didn't go into their yard.

DONALD ULLERY: No, but at Halloween time, the nicest people. You'd go in there, and she'd give us a, a caramel apple usually, a great big old caramel apple. She'd ask who you were. Oh, you're the Ullery boys, and she'd give us a caramel apple and usually a bag of popcorn and I mean when you left there, you'd had a pretty good bag of stuff.

MACHANN: I was going to say, "See mom's off the hook again."

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah! [*Laughter from all*].

MACHANN: Do you remember how the burning piles of – stuff.

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, yes.

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: That, that sometimes upset dad 'cause dad would say he'd always wait until the wind was blowing toward our house. [*Laughter from all*]. Yeah 'cause he was always raking up leaves and grass and dead stuff.

MACHANN: Well, at least twice a year, the fires would get away from him and the Fire Department went in from town.

RONALD ULLERY: And didn't they own the property between us and Allis' and sometimes we'd try to go across that shortcut, and they'd get on us because they didn't want us even there. We wasn't hurting anything, but we weren't allowed to go across.

DONALD ULLERY: Never stopped us, we'd just look over at his house and if we didn't see him, boy. Crawl through the fence few feet 'cause it was at least --

RONALD ULLERY: Our own grandmother up there was about as bad with her yard 'cause she had, she had a real pretty yard.

DONALD ULLERY: She had a pretty yard.

MACHANN: Now where did your grandmother live?

DONALD ULLERY: Right --

MACHANN: Right there at the --

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, we all lived in that. And grandpa, he didn't do, he didn't do much yard work. He didn't do any yard work, I don't think.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, but he was a pretty carpenter.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, but grandma, she had a beautiful yard. She always, she was out in it all the time.

MACHANN: Had a lot of vegetables as well as flowers?

DONALD ULLERY: See, they had a, I don't know if you remember the water tank and windmill that used to be out behind there? There's pictures of it in here. But, they tore that down, I can't remember exactly when they put the rail in there.

MACHANN: Well, Sedalia used to be known as "The Town of Windmills," because everybody had a windmill in their backyard. That was the water system. *[pause]*

RONALD ULLERY: We're taking up a lot of your time --

MACHANN: Oh, no, no. I was going to ask you too, Jerri Stewart brought up a house that Paul had owned, and she said they moved it. It was right beside the Post Office, and they had moved it across the tracks, sort of, across from your place, but toward the tracks more. And she said the house is no longer there, so do you have any idea of what happened it?

RONALD ULLERY: Now is where the railroad workers lived?

MACHANN: Ah, I don't know whether it was a rental property. She said it was a two story, and I don't ever remember --

DONALD ULLERY: Remember Edna? She was a little Mexican gal, she was our age. And there's a picture of that house in there.

MACHANN: Oh, is there?

RONALD ULLERY: And as you. But you see, I thought, *[Laughter from Machann]* I thought the railroad built that.

DONALD ULLERY: That's what I thought because there was, that house and then there was Allis's house and there was another railroad house, and I thought that house

was railroad, too, but maybe Paul rented it to the railroad?

MACHANN: Well, and the Depot was across from --

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, see that, well, that's where Paul lived for --

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, right next to --

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, right next to the Odds Fellow'. Yeah, right, but I don't ever remember him living next to the Post Office.

MACHANN: Well, no, I don't think he ever lived there but he --

DONALD ULLERY: Owned the house.

MACHANN: Owned the house --

DONALD ULLERY: Between the barn and --

MACHANN: Yes. Between where the Post Office is now and the other, you know, where Alexanders' are.

DONALD ULLERY: He could have moved it down there 'cause there was a house there. I remember.

MACHANN: And then they enlarged the Post Office because at one time, the Post Office was not nearly that large. They built onto it.

DONALD ULLERY: Okay, well, do you remember, but that was on the other side of Allis's.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, there was a house that the railroad people had.

DONALD ULLERY: And it was, was it Bunk? The Bunks' lived there, or not? There were two girls.

RONALD ULLERY: I can remember --

MACHANN: Oh, the Swans.

DONALD ULLERY: No, that was Carol Ellen and Cher. But this was on the other side of Allison's. Evelyn was her name, and she was, one of 'em was in my grade, and I think Sally was the older one, and I'm not real sure, but it was a house, kind of across from Bob Campbell's?

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

MACHANN: Oh, okay. Yes, I think there was one.

DONALD ULLERY: But, but I think Allis's, 'cause he was the railroad --

RONALD ULLERY: He was railroad.

DONALD ULLERY: And then I thought the house next to it was --

RONALD ULLERY: I think her dad worked for the railroad, worked for the --

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, that's what I mean. A house out there by, you remember the house over there by grandma's, don't you?

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, and I think that was railroad.

DONALD ULLERY: I thought it was too.

RONALD ULLERY: But I don't remember a two story house.

MACHANN: I never did either. I --

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, you can look at pictures, see if it was a two story or not. I mean, two story might just have meant there was bedrooms or something upstairs. I don't know.

MACHANN: I was just curious 'cause I don't remember --

RONALD ULLERY: I don't remember that.

MACHANN: Now when you graduated from the Sedalia Elementary School, did they take a group picture?

DONALD ULLERY: I think I got some, somewhere, but I don't --

RONALD ULLERY: I know I do. At home somewhere, I'll have to see if I can maybe find them.

MACHANN: That would be something we'd like to have a picture of. Because it's going to be neat to document the different grades, you know, classes as they went through the Sedalia school, and it's a wonderful, the original old building was wonderful. But now the building that was considered new, I mean, they've added on so you wouldn't recognize it.

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, you can go down there and pick out the old part that --

MACHANN: Yes. But you have to look closely for that.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah. When I went to the eighth grade, I went to the eighth grade, was on the, on the stage.

RONALD ULLERY: Had class on the stage.

DONALD ULLERY: Had class up there --

MACHANN: It was getting pretty full.

DONALD ULLERY: All the rooms were full.

MACHANN: Did you have Marie Jones?

DONALD ULLERY: Marie Jones taught us, taught my dad, I think, and taught, I don't think taught dad, no.

RONALD ULLERY: She couldn't have taught dad.

DONALD ULLERY: But taught me and Chad.

RONALD ULLERY: She's there for an awful long years.

MACHANN: Well, and she taught my son.

DONALD ULLERY: She had her, she had two boys, Dan and Jerry.

MACHANN: Uh-huh. Dan just died last year.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah that's what I heard. She used to take us down to her house, and remember we used to have the relays and the different things that at her house in Louviers. She was a great teacher.

DONALD ULLERY: 'Cause I remember catching night crawlers down there. [*Laughter from Ronald and Machann*].

MACHANN: Do you remember any of your other teachers?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, there, I remember Mr. Morgan. He was a basketball coach, lived in Littleton. Mr. Hancock --

RONALD ULLERY: Mr. Hancock --

DONALD ULLERY: He drove a yellow and black Buick, I won't say --

MACHANN: A yellow and black Buick?

RONALD ULLERY: I want to see if I can find a picture of that house.

DONALD ULLERY: Mr. Bundell was the principal when I was there. [*pause*] And I'm trying to think, who else? I always liked Mr. Hancock. He lived in Littleton, and he, but he smoked cigars. And of course, we had about a mile to walk to school, so --

RONALD ULLERY: There's the old Post Office, where the Post Office is at. [*Ronald continues to talk*]

DONALD ULLERY: When he did stop and pick us up, I always tried to time it to get

under the Odd Fellows' Home about the time he'd come through, and he's stop and pick you up. But boy, it was almost do me in, the cigar smoke, by the time I got to school [*Laughter from Machann*].

MACHANN: And I'll bet you don't smoke cigars and cigarettes either?

DONALD ULLERY: No, I don't.

MACHANN: Yes, this picture shows the Post Office, and I'm gonna have to get a magnifying glass and take a look at that one, but that's got some interesting things and this one has got the Weaver house in the background.

DONALD ULLERY: This is all, my grandma's house now. If you go down there and stand, you can see all these but, there are a lot older pictures, I -- you'll have to go through there, but I know I've seen, I've seen a picture of -- [*Donald chuckles*].

MACHANN: Oh, she's, she's, she's -- [unclear]

DONALD ULLERY: That one's kind of interesting 'cause I don't know, it doesn't look like the Post Office there --

MACHANN: But it's got a wonderful picture of the arm. Do you remember when they used to hang the mail?

DONALD ULLERY: We used to stay up there and watch Paul [unclear] when they'd kick it out of the train station --

RONALD ULLERY: The deal, if we get up there and watch Paul heist it. It used to amaze me how that train going so fast, would snag that, and --

MACHANN: Oh yes! Of course, Jerri says there was a lot of times that they walked from here to Castle Rock picking up mail. Like twice a year. And she says on the north bound track, they'd walk from here to Louviers or --

RONALD ULLERY: That's our old house. Well, you guys can look through it. I'll loan these to you and you --

MACHANN: I would guard them with my life, believe me, 'cause I know how

valuable these are, but that really. Oh, you've got wonderful genealogy.

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, yeah, this is, this is outstanding, and she did this on both sides of the family.

MACHANN: Oh, she did. My goodness. Oh! Look at that.

RONALD ULLERY: Here's some of the older pictures.

MACHANN: Oh, what a wonderful job.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, bless her heart. She's -- now there's the house right there. See there's dad out front at grandma's. There's Nelson's there, there's an old house there. That was 1942.

MACHANN: Right. So --

DONALD ULLERY: There's that house, and that doesn't look like a two story house.

MACHANN: No, that doesn't.

RONALD ULLERY: No. I didn't think it was. [unclear]

DONALD ULLERY: You're afraid I'd have a picture of you. I might bring you up my mom's side, too, 'cause that goes back more than in the county.

MACHANN: I would like that very much. Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: You can study that from us all the way back to the 1700s. I know that's more than you want to know about us --

MACHANN: Oh, no, no, no, it really isn't because -- [*Laughter from Ronald*] I think that's wonderful. You know, really.

DONALD ULLERY: That's a neat gift, isn't it?

MACHANN: Oh, that is --

RONALD ULLERY: Spent more than about eight or nine years --

DONALD ULLERY: She's still working on it. Matter of fact, she's got something to add to it.

MACHANN: Oh, she does? Oh, that's wonderful. Yes. No, I'd like to hear about your mom's side of the family.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah.

MACHANN: Because --

RONALD ULLERY: Well, I was telling Don, I was reading where one of the ladies was Smith, which would be a great-great grandmother or something. She's on a wagon train coming up, and they stopped at Walsenburg, but it wasn't named then, and the guy was the wagon master, his name was Walsen. Well, he stayed there, and that's how it got the name. Walsenburg.

MACHANN: Walsenburg [*spoken together with Ronald*]. Oh.

RONALD ULLERY: And the, the relative used to play with Kit Carson's kids and stuff and she came up here.

MACHANN: Oh, that gives me goose bumps. [*Laughter from Young*].

RONALD ULLERY: And they came up here and settled around Larkspur and how they used to toy with the Indians and so, you might really enjoy reading all of that. Especially on mom, mom's side.

MACHANN: Well, it, you two --

RONALD ULLERY: If you like stuff like that.

MACHANN: -- Have a wonderful history. You can tell you don't like history at all [*Laughter from Machann and Young*].

DONALD ULLERY: Well, I'll tell you, I got, I got started in this book the other day, and I, I sit there, I don't how for how many hours, you know, reading it, and then I, I'm

so happy for Aunt Ninnie for doing it.

MACHANN: Oh, yes. That's just a wonderful gift, a thing to pass on, you know. To grandchildren, you're going to have to leave that for [unclear] --

RONALD ULLERY: Ah! [*Laughter from all*]. I'll tell what, if I do, I'll invite you to the wedding.

MACHANN: Okay. That's fair to do it.

RONALD ULLERY: And we'll put a picture in there. Everybody else has got their family one, and on my pages, it's just a picture of me. [*Laughter from all*]

DONALD ULLERY: He feel's left out --

RONALD ULLERY: But I think I got the biggest smile. [*Laughter from all*] So anyway --

MACHANN: Well, it happens.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, it does. So, well --

MACHANN: We appreciate you sharing with us so much and while you're both here --

YOUNG: I'll take it. Slide a little closer to me. [*Everyone moves to take a picture*]

DONALD ULLERY: You still need wide angle probably. [*Laughter from all*]

MACHANN: Strictly for the record.

YOUNG: I'm going to have to get another one 'cause it made a funny little noise that time, so I don't know whether that --

DONALD ULLERY: I hope we were able to help you out some.

MACHANN: Oh, yes, that's such a big help and like I say, what I'll do is, it takes me a while to type it up. 'Cause it takes longer to type than it does to talk and I'll rough draft it and you know, clean up any spots and then I'll get you both a copy and let you read it over and correct spelling or if there's anything you're uncomfortable with, we'll delete

it. It's easy to do.

RONALD ULLERY: Let's see something like that, that will be great to put in, that will be great to look over --

DONALD ULLERY: I think it's neat what you gals are doing.

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, I do too.

DONALD ULLERY: It takes some time. You must enjoy it 'cause I'm sure the pay is not very good [*Laughter from all*].

YOUNG: They doubled it this year. [*Laughter from all*]

RONALD ULLERY: We'll triple it next year. [*Laughter from all*]

YOUNG: Yeah, and going over the transcript, brings anything else to mind, feel free to --

MACHANN: Yes! Write it down or sometimes after we've talked, you'll think of something in the middle of the night that you will remember that you haven't thought about for years and years --

DONALD ULLERY: You said talking about, all of a sudden your mind gets to thinking --

MACHANN: Yeah, yeah. Things will come up, names will come up. Anything that you can remember of the people, you know, who lived here because so much has been lost.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, isn't that the truth? Yeah, it is.

MACHANN: Well, we'd love to have you add, subtract, especially add, that's more important sometimes. But I will tell mom that --

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, because --

MACHANN: -- That she doesn't have to worry about getting sued. There was a lot of

people that corrupted you along the way. [*Laughter from all*]

DONALD ULLERY: You don't think she was it?

MACHANN: She wasn't the sole person who did that.

RONALD ULLERY: It was a lot of fun though.

MACHANN: You're retired now, right?

DONALD ULLERY: No, he is.

MACHANN: Oh, you're retired? Okay, I was thinking you were retired too.

RONALD ULLERY: No.

MACHANN: You're still --

RONALD ULLERY: -- Working for the Stewart's. Yeah.

MACHANN: Ah, okay. We're having a fifth story, our little group is getting together Monday, and if you'd like to come, we'd love to have you. We work them awfully hard. And everybody gets assigned a project. So brace yourselves. [*Laughter from all*]

RONALD ULLERY: Where do you meet? Here?

MACHANN: Right here. Yes, and it will be one o'clock Monday.

DONALD ULLERY: I'll bet you do have a lot of fun.

MACHANN: Oh, we do, and we've got a lot of projects coming up.

RONALD ULLERY: Okay.

DONALD ULLERY: So, where can I get the other book to you, if you'd like to look at that?

MACHANN: Ah, well, you can call me and you know either over at the house or I'll

meet you some place. That would be wonderful.

DONALD ULLERY: I think you really would enjoy that one.

MACHANN: Oh, I think I would, too.

DONALD ULLERY: Because it's a lot of Douglas County.

MACHANN: Let me get through this one so I can return one.

DONALD ULLERY: Okay

MACHANN: And, and because I really, I have sweat, blood, sweat and tears over pictures and it's just like, you know, military pictures, when I was gathering those, you can't go back and take them over.

RONALD ULLERY: No.

MACHANN: And I, and I worry about, you know, if anything would happen or so I really, I'm very conscientious about it, but I like to get 'em back as soon as possible and thank [unclear] get those back to you, and let me, I've got a piece of scratch paper here that I can, oops, that's for you.

RONALD ULLERY: I think there's a phone number here.

MACHANN: Oh, I think he's probably already got that.

YOUNG: We've done that.

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MACHANN: Oh!

RONALD ULLERY: 1929.

MACHANN: Isn't that a treasure. Oh, that's beautiful.

RONALD ULLERY: Isn't that nice? And there's the windmill and the water tank in

front of the old building.

MACHANN: Oh, oh, that is wonderful! Oh! I may not get any sleep [*Laughter from all*]. I may be up all night looking through this scrapbook. That is just beautiful. Thank you so much.

RONALD ULLERY: Thank you.

MACHANN: For sharing that with us. That is wonderful.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, she made one for all of us.

DONALD ULLERY: At least nine because of the cousins.

MACHANN: I hope she had her own copy machine.

DONALD ULLERY: See in each one, is a little bit different.

RONALD ULLERY: It's made for --

DONALD ULLERY: 'Cause he doesn't have the same --

MACHANN: So you, so she started with you then in yours? And you? Oh, that is really special.

RONALD ULLERY: Oh, she does a great job.

MACHANN: Yes, she did.

RONALD ULLERY: She said on the Christmas cards, got to get our books in there 'cause she's got more things she wants to put in.

DONALD ULLERY: That was the neat part of all that. That's how our family is 'cause she's our mom's sister and she promised our mom, before our mom passed away that she would finish this project and get it to us before she died.

MACHANN: Now, your mom started it?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, there's some things in there that mom donated, and worked on. She wanted it really bad for us kids. It really started with her side of the family, then Aunt Ninnie kind of carried it over to dad's.

YOUNG: What's, what's yours name?

DONALD ULLERY: Uh?

YOUNG: Ninnie?

DONALD ULLERY: We call her that. It's Aunt Leanna. For some reason or other, we call her Aunt Ninnie. [*Laughter from both men*].

YOUNG: I have a cousin whose name is Ninnie.

DONALD ULLERY: Oh, really?

YOUNG: Oh, yeah. After her great aunt, who was named Ninnie, it's not from anything.

DONALD ULLERY: Is that right? I think she did that for the way kids say Leanna when we were little, so we used to call her Aunt Ninnie.

YOUNG: Uh-huh. [*Laughter from Donald*]. And it stuck?

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, it stuck.

MACHANN: Did you two have any nicknames when you were growing up?

RONALD ULLERY: No not really.

DONALD ULLERY: Bubba. I couldn't say "brother" so I called him, Bubba. And I still call him, Bubba. [*Laughter from all*]

YOUNG: It's fashionable.

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, but his boy, we named him after me, so there's two Rons, we called his boy, "Wrong." He don't like it too well either.

RONALD ULLERY: [unclear]

MACHANN: You know, I've got one other question. When I, I, I'm quite a bit older than you two, and I asked gram about it the other day, somebody was shot down at the creek, and you know, I was too old, and I was doing something else. I don't remember --

DONALD ULLERY: It was Danny Stanfield.

MACHANN: Danny Stanfield.

DONALD ULLERY: And I, and I've got something you might appreciate. I did a paper in high school on that, and had pictures.

MACHANN: Oh, you do?

DONALD ULLERY: Of the whole incident, and I got an A minus on it, as a matter of fact.

MACHANN: Wow!

RONALD ULLERY: You did, out of an English course?

DONALD ULLERY: And I'll, I'll put that with the --

MACHANN: Yeah. Is he still --

DONALD ULLERY: Yeah, he lives in Founders --

MACHANN: Oh, he does?

DONALD ULLERY: Down here. 'Cause you know Betty --

MACHANN: Stanfield?

DONALD ULLERY: Betty Davidson.

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: That's his mother.

MACHANN: Ah, okay.

DONALD ULLERY: And they lived behind, in that house behind the liquor, well, it's the coffee shop now. And they lived in that house.

MACHANN: Oh, okay. Yeah, 'cause I just had a vague remembrance, you know, of, you know, something happening, and yet I was not here at the time, so it's surprising how much you miss when you're not here, and then you try to catch up, and it's hard to do. But, no, I'd like to have all these people. Yes, and I'd like to read your report. See, you've got something else to lug. I'll give him an A plus. Listen, anybody whose kept it for that long and did that kind of work --

DONALD ULLERY: My mom kept it actually.

MACHANN: Oh, well --

DONALD ULLERY: You know how mothers do that.

MACHANN: Yes.

DONALD ULLERY: Put things in a box.

MACHANN: Good for them. Yes. [*Chuckle from Young*]. Got anything else in there that we might?

DONALD ULLERY: I can go through it.

MACHANN: Oh, I think you should. [*Laughter from all*]. Now have you got any trunks at your house that you need to go through.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, yeah --

MACHANN: I mean I can give you both homework here.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, yeah, I've got the same thing. I'll go through it and see if there's anything.

DONALD ULLERY: I've got a brother. We've got a brother, Gary, in California. He's going to go through it, and he got a lot of the pictures from grandma's over here because it was in a box and nobody really wanted that box and never even looked at it. I think he picked it up as, so was going to, cause he's still got a picture for the wall.

MACHANN: Oh, he does!

RONALD ULLERY: 'Cause he was in the Navy, and he never got his picture. He's a redhead. He was about five years younger than I was, so --

DONALD ULLERY: Five or six years younger. Yeah, he spent about ten years in the Coast Guard.

MACHANN: Oh, that would be -- Does he ever come back to visit?

DONALD ULLERY: He might be back here this summer, matter of fact, 'cause I was telling you about what he was doing here. He thinks it's just really neat.

MACHANN: Oh, well, and Douggy has put together some notebooks, and we've got all the pictures in the notebooks, so that the next time we put 'em on the wall, all we have to do, is slide them out of the notebooks, but they will be in the museum, and they're there permanently, so when you want to come in, they're there.

RONALD ULLERY: Yeah, I just really, really think it's neat 'cause --

DONALD ULLERY: You've grown up here in the town means so much to you. You kind of hate to see it just go to the wayside.

RONALD ULLERY: Well, that's another thing about Sedalia and the people, like you folks, that lived here, still here, still interested in, and you know, Sedalia always even when we were kids, that's another thing as far as sports teams -- We had the best support, you know, we had a lot better support than Castle Rock. If there was any of them, I can remember George Davis and Gladys, and the people, you know, didn't, just knew us, you know, I mean --

MACHANN: Were there.

RONALD ULLERY: They traveled wherever you were going.

MACHANN: Yes.

RONALD ULLERY: Just to --

MACHANN: Yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: So it was a --

MACHANN: Yeah.

RONALD ULLERY: Just a pretty, pretty tight community.

MACHANN: Well, and I remember hearing stories from the Second World War. The whole Thompson family joined up. I mean five --

RONALD ULLERY: Five of 'em.

MACHANN: Yeah. And the whole town was empty because everybody had signed up.

RONALD ULLERY: Uncle Don was in the Army, and dad was in the Air Force. And the two girls, they didn't go, but yeah, that was, most everybody was gone out of here.

MACHANN: Yeah, yeah and the great [unclear] and the museum is going to be opening again in April.

RONALD ULLERY: It is?

MACHANN: So, yeah.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, we just appreciate you giving us a chance to tell.

MACHANN: Oh, we're just delighted that you're willing to share with us. That's wonderful. Thank you so much.

DONALD ULLERY: Well, thank you.

RONALD ULLERY: Thank you folks.

MACHANN: And I'll be giving you a call, probably in a week or so.

DONALD ULLERY: Okay, and when do, I'll load you up with some more stuff.

MACHANN: Oh, good.

DONALD ULLERY: I think you'll really enjoy those pictures.

MACHANN: Oh, yes! I can hardly wait. Oh, now, take this with you because --

RONALD ULLERY: I'll let my brother have that. He's --

MACHANN: The family historian?

RONALD ULLERY: [unclear]

MACHANN: Well, oh?

YOUNG: Well, we just scan some of them?

DONALD ULLERY: [unclear]

END OF INTERVIEW