

Big Top Oral History Project

Interview Log

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Interviewee: Mary Rawls #2
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Minute Mark Topics presented in order of discussion on recording

00:00:00	Introduction
00:00:35	Home in Macks Creek, Missouri
00:07:08	Playing farmer
00:07:21	Hit the road playing fairs
00:07:51	Sulky race
00:09:05	Buck Owens show
00:09:25	Bud Anderson's All American Wild West
00:10:00	Cole & Walters Circus
00:12:05	Working with paraffin on tent
00:13:15	Shooting the tent
00:14:10	On father buying house in Macks Creek, Missouri
00:15:03	Birth of first child, David
00:18:46	Party line, telephone
00:22:39	Mary's father died
00:24:32	Thoughts during performance
00:26:24	On crowds as being the same
00:27:24	Feeling of applause
00:27:58	Afternoon versus evening performances
00:28:50	Standing in the back door
00:29:47	Time to watching the performance
00:29:56	Changing wardrobe
00:31:11	After show picnics
00:31:52	Friendships
00:32:33	Feeling of being welcomed in Hugo, Oklahoma
00:34:12	Being active in town
00:36:36	Moving into first home in Hugo, Oklahoma
00:38:32	Trailer, living quarters description
00:42:51	Husband's step-father (Willie) living with family on the circus
00:46:10	On remembering towns
00:48:12	On marrying within the circus
00:51:27	Working in the cookhouse
00:54:34	Working the novelty stand
00:57:40	On making friends now
00:59:00	End of interview