

me: In your family, How many sisters and brothers did you have?

Roy: 10 sisters and 2 brothers.

me: How well did you get along with them?

Roy: Pritty good I guess.

me: Whats the mames of everyone in your family?

Roy: laughs, Thats a good one. I better start with the yongest. Kenny, Ataline, Dorothy pates. Ialoon, gerdal, ~~Bob~~ ^{Me} Margret William, violit, Jessy, Anne, Florence.

me: ^{I think} that should be all. How old were your sisters & brothers?

Roy: How old they are now?

me: Yes.

Roy: well, two of them are dead.

me: And who would that be?

Roy: Jessy and Dorothy

me: How old are your other siblings?

Roy: Oh shoot. Its been a long time. (laughing) lets see Kenneth is the youngest he's 65, Adaline is 77, Dorothy died when she was 72, Iawalla is 73,

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Roy: Pearl ~~was~~ is 77, um, Maude is 78, Margaret would be 80, um, William is 79, Violet is 83, Jessy died when she was 84, Annie is 85, and Florince is 86, And I'll be 70 soon.

Me: what um, what were the holidays like with your family?

Roy: Well, fairly, fairly good we went through the depression which was hard, but we managed. we had good christmases. Did not get much for presents. A pair of socks.

Me: Did you enjoy being with your mom or dad? why?

Roy: Ya, My dad used to take me huntin alot.

Me: Did you ever do anything with your mom?

Roy: Well, she used to be too busy to do anything with the kids.

Me: Did you and your siblings ever wonder ~~for~~ what the future would bring?

Roy: Ya, I guess hard times were rouff. Couldn't find jobs. Then WW2 started and work started coming. Then everyone started getting married then that was it. (laughing)

Me: Did you and your family travel alot?

Roy: No. It had been a while when ~~we~~ got a car.

Me: Oh. have you wished that you could travel?

Roy: No, I never liked to travel.

Me: What did you and your friends do on your free time?

Roy: When we were younger we were swimming in the summer. We would hunt of fish, we also played baseball.

Me: Did you ever get in trouble, or were you a good kid?

Roy: We used to ^{raid} rade apples & gardens we through eggs and waxed cars.

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Roy: but we never got caught?

Me: where did your mom and dad work?

Roy: work? My dad worked for the U.S. steel ^{mine} mill. he worked there for over 40 years. Mom was just a house wife. She cooked and cleaned and ran ^{errands} errands. And that's about all she did.

Me: was it hard to find jobs for your parents?

Roy: well, during the depression it was.

Me: when you got a t.v. what shows were on when you were a kid. Which ones were your favorite?

Roy: we didn't have t.v.s.

Me: when did you get your first t.v.?

Roy: we didn't get our first t.v. till after the sixties.

Me: Did you play with base ball cards?

Roy: No not base ball cards but with looblegum, you know.

Me: what kind of games did you play?

Roy: Oh, we played baseball, and we boxed. We used to fight. Page 4

Me: During winter, how many layers of close to you were to keep warm?

Roy: Not alot no we didn't have that many layers. we were locky to get a hand me down from a sister.
(laughing)

Me: How would have your parents reacted if you would have gotten in trouble?

Roy: I guess like right ~~now~~ when your having trouble with the kids they get a tickon.

Me: What did you do on a date? + how old were you?

Roy: On a date? (laugh) I don't know, I never had much dates untill I joined the service.

~~Me:~~ Me: What were the dances like?

Roy: we had contry dances or even polka dances we had some dances.

Me: Did you have like a hang out place?

Roy: No we never had a club. Me and my buddies used to have a shack. In is yard. We only went home to get something to eat.

Me: Where did your family shop?

Roy: You know that store down in National Mine? The country market? That's where we got everything.

Me: What was the price of a movie, pop, or a candy bar?

Roy: A pop was about 5¢ and a candy bar was ~~5¢~~ we used to buy penny candy. But we didn't have movies.

Me: How old were you when you first started driving?

Roy: Well, when I first drove a car I was about ten. Riding around in the yard. I didn't get a ~~license~~ ^{license} until after the service. I was about 20 years old.

Me: When did you get married?

Roy: 1950

Me: How many kids do you have now?

Roy: 4

Me: What were their names?

Roy: Roy Allen he is now 43 The girls are easier to remember. Ruth and a, Elizabeth and Judy. Ruth is 42 and Elizabeth is 44 and Judy is 45.

Me: What kind of hobbies do you have now?

Roy: I play horse shows in the summer I hunt and I like fishing

Me: What do you enjoy doing the most?

Roy: Deer hunting I guess.

Me: What schools have you gone or did you just go to National Mine?

Roy: Just National Mine.

Me: Did you enjoy school?

Roy: No, I dropped out before I was sixteen. I quit. Then I went to work but before I went to work I had to go to the superintendent of the school and get a signed paper.

Me: What was your favorite grade?

Roy: I guess fourth grade.

~~Me:~~

Me: why?

Roy: I guess cause you get a little older
start to learn more.

Me: Did you have a favorit teacher? why
why not.

Roy: I wouldn't know, I noticed on your
list of questions about a Mrs Gleason
well when I went to school she
was a Mrs. Austin. But then I
guess she got marriad. Everybody
liked here.

Me: what kind of schoolwork did you have?
Did you find it hard?

Roy: No not really, I wasent that hard.

Me: how did you get punished in school?

Roy: laughing, well I'll tell you what I
got many cracks on the fingers
with the ruler. she'd grab ya
by the ~~hair~~ hair and slap ya in
the face before you could duck.

(laughing) child abuse.

Me: did you agree with this punish-
ment?

Roy: Ya, I guess we deserved it.

Me: What kind of rules did you have?

Roy: Well, you couldn't chew gum. No talking
No throwing things.

Me: Describe a typical day at school.

Roy: When ya went to school you had
to go directly to class. We had 2
classes. ~~to~~ grades in one room.
I think there was 34 of us.

Me: What was lunch like?

Roy: We walked home. about a mile
we had an hour. to eat and come
back.

Me: Where were jackets kept?

Roy: A closet you didn't have a locker.

Me: Do you have any ~~closet~~ room stories?

Roy: no

Me: What was recess like?

Roy: In the winter time we used to have
snow badels and summer time we'd
play ball

Me: How long was recess?

Roy: I don't know about a half hour.

Me: Describe the clothing like when you were in school?

Roy: just jeans, and I wore rubber boots I didn't have a pair of ~~jeans~~ shoes to change into afterwards.

Me: How did you get to school?

Roy: walked there were busses but they were some distance away. If you lived 3 miles from the school or so you had to walk.

Me: How were holidays celebrated at school?

Roy: We had the Christmas program. Everyone pretty much enjoyed those programs.

Me: ~~Did you~~ what kind of lab facilities did you have?

Roy: they were regularly flushing toilets.

Me: Did you have any married women teachers?

Roy: Not to many. Just old ladies.

Me: what kind of grades did you get?

Roy: oh about average C+Ds.

Me: Do you know how many students were in N.M.S.?

Roy: I can tell you there weren't that many of a graduating class.

Me: Was there a kindergarten?

Roy: ya.

Me: What did you do in kinder garden?

Roy: just, mostly just draw and sang
Not much.

Me: What year did you start school?

Roy: 1932

Me: How long were your kindergarden years?

Roy: just one year

Me: Any pacific funny or sad incidents in school?

Roy: No

Me: Did you graduate?

Roy: No

Me: Was there any other curricular activities?

Roy: There was basket ball. baseball.

Me: Did you join any of these?

Roy: No. Wasn't very good at sports.

Me: What did your year books look like?

Roy: I never got a year book. couldn't
afford one.

Me: How many students did you have in a
typical class?

Roy: about 20.

me: Do you remember any particular
diseases? ^{diseases}

Roy: There was T.B. Tuberculosis.

me: Did you go on any field trips?

Roy: To a forest plain to plant trees.

me: Did you or other students have
role models? <sup>(There is (was) a
Natural Mine School Forest)</sup>

Roy: No we didn't. There wasn't
that much t.v. then. So
no.

me: What was spechel about National
Mind?

Roy: (Laughing) I don't think there
was anything spechel.

me: Do you know anything on
Mrs. Gleasons operettas. (programs)

Roy: Ya, she put one ~~one~~ every year.
for Christmas she put on a
play. It was a high school class
play every year.

Roy: I was in one when I
was a little kid. the
Christmas program.

Me: What were the boundaries?
What area was there to attend
National Mine.

Roy: They didn't have some of the
highschools they have now. They
Just had Tildon Township, so
we pretty much went to
National Mine everywhere.

Me: Do you know anything about the
auditorium that was there?

Roy: Ya, I don't know what its like
now but I know what it was
like then. It used to be below
the stage on this auditorium.
If you were on the front
row you were looking up because it
was high.