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Kitzman, Augusta

Early 1967

Interviewed by Arlie Riggs

Augusta Kitman is interviewed by Arlie Riggs in 1967.

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00:00 Willow District; born 1882 near Ula, county seat, ranch in Willows District, school 7 mos. yr. through 8th gr.
3:15 teachers
4:00 German settlement
5:45 85 students 1 year
7:00 grandfather 1870 to Chicago, pd. \$200 to join German Colony, mule, ox, wagons, up Grape Creek
11:45 ironing and ranch work
13:00 mother died
14:00 grandfather went to Canon City with hay and potatoes, took 2 days
16:00 Falkenberg's store at the lake
18:30 Indians up from Gardner, hid the blonde girl so they wouldn't steal her
20:00 \$1 for a bucket of raspberries
21:00 siblings, ranch work
23:45 Big snowstorm
27:00 Cattle, velvet Holstein
29:00 dances, rough times, a doctor at Querida amputated a leg on the porch, Hartbauers place?
33:00 wind, scarlet fever; Ula cemetery got started because of scarlet fever and diphtheria epidemic
36:00 1834-1866 grandfather came to U.S
37:30 Lutherans
40:00 people didn't get along
44:00 a missing child never found, snow or lion; the missing minister story; another missing boy
51:00 if you get lost follow a stream-end