

- P: Yes, he baptized Travis. And Travis and [James Butler] Bonham, who was killed also at the Alamo, were both members of his church. There's a lot of history in South Carolina.
- K: Yes, there certainly is. So your family then moved down here in 1903.
- P: Yes, 1903 to Lakeland. We moved down to Alachua County in about 1896. I was about two years old in 1896, and then granddad got sick and dad went back in 1900 to help him wind up his business affairs. He had a store in Augusta, Georgia, and we lived in Augusta two years and then we came back to Florida.
- K: I see. Do you remember where you lived in, as far as the street or anything? Did they have street names back then? Where you originally lived in Lakeland, sir?
- P: Yes, I lived in...for a short time out in the north, northeast section. But that was only two or three months. Then we moved over on New York Avenue and we stayed there about, oh, a couple of years, and then we moved up to Missouri Avenue--all right close in, now. And then we moved out and we bought a place out on the north side of town. Bought, well about two acres of land out there. Dad thought the kids ought to have some room to.... So, then as we grew up, we came right in close to town, right next to the Lakeland High School. And we bought a lot from the mayor and we built a bigger house and as our fortune got a little bit better we built a little bit bigger house. But dad always thought we ought to own our own home. So that was about the first thing he was looking for was a home.
- K: I see. So you went to grade school and high school then in Lakeland?
- P: High school, grade and high school.
- K: Both of them.
- P: I graduated in high school here in 1911.
- K: 1911.
- P: Yes, there was only five in the class.