

R: grinding cane and he was helping around the house and she was bare-footed -- she went bare-footed most of the time -- and I remember him looking at her and said, My God, Annie, why don't you put on your shoes.

P: Oh, no. Did people go barefoot a lot then?

R: Adults didn't, that I saw they didn't. Of course, children did in the spring and summer. Children went barefoot, but the adults did not. I don't, you'd see more of that now, I think.

P: Did you ever hear any stories of the Klu Klux Klan?

R: No, we didn't hear much about the Klu Klux Klan.

P: You were telling me a story once about a doctor who was involved with a woman who killed him?

R: Oh, yeah. Ruby McCullom.

P: Ruby McCullom.

R: He killed Dr. Adams in Live Oak.

P: And that was a big scandal back then.

R: Oh, yeah, yeah. That was something, yeah.

P: Can you tell me about it?

R: Well, reportedly, she was his mistress and had had one child by him and was pregnant with another child and, of course, there were a lot of tales about it that they were mixed up with Bolita and one thing and another, but one Sunday morning she just went in his office -- I guess, evidently he had patients on Sunday morning -- and she just had her little gun and shot him. Killed him instantly.

P: And there was a trial.

R: Yes. And this William Bradford Hewey came down from the north and tried to interview her and he was forbidden to include, the authorities, legal authorities didn't want him to interview her. They didn't want the story published. But it was published and the story was banned in Florida for a while. But I saw, the other day, in the Lake City Reporter, where this is going to be, come out in the Lake City Reporter in serial form.

P: Wow.

R: I'm looking forward to seeing it.