

VIOLA WHITE CAMERON
GRACE WHITE RYAN

Mrs. Cameron: Bovill; b. 1906
homemaker

Mrs. Ryan: Bovill; b. 1907
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Side A

- 00 1914 Beal's Butte fire. Father upset by loss of wood supply. Loss of Slabtown home in fire. The children went barefooted to save shoes, if they had them; they put shoes on in fire. Family went to Potlatch. Rebuilding after fire; help from town. Many lived in tents. Most of the homes were shanties.
- 08 School at Slabtown. Girls avoided mean teacher at Bovill by putting themselves back a grade. Miss Crawford asked if they liked other teachers as well as her. Walking to Bovill. Riding in a buggy, they noticed the full moon. Mother caught salmon in river by Slabtown, though people wouldn't believe her.
- 12 Bovill was "big city" when they moved in. Little rodeos on Sunday afternoons at Slabtown. Indian camping in Bovill meadows. Taught to be afraid of gypsies; mother hid brothers.
- 20 The T.P.Jones' treated the children well. They gave rides in their fancy car. Baseball games. Local dances. Electric light plant and lights out. Chataqua and circus. Revivals - people came forward to "Just As I Am". Bovill crowded with lumberjacks on Saturday night; children were always well treated. Parents' fear for children in strike; men needed the strike. (continued)

Side B

- 00 Hoboes. Outside agitators during strike. Packing in Marble Creek country. Feeling stupid because she didn't know the name for "kames." Evacuation in fire. Flunking in the camp. Men always kept the same place at table; they never spoke at table. Respect of jacks for women; walking them across dark meadow. Men liked food until they got used to it; then they went to Spokane.

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Side B (continued)

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| 10 | Eleven children in family. Children's chores. Hot lunches everyday at home. Bread box was a lard container from camp. Doing dishes. They saw little of father because of his long work; mother rarely <i>had time</i> to go anywhere except to help a sick neighbor. Their first work out was picking strawberries - they failed to make their board and brought home the itch. |
| 19 | Subsequent work in Bovill and Spokane. Parker's store in Bovill. |
| 26 | Pat Malone was part of everybody's family. His love of children of all ages. Teasing Pat. |

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