GUS GAMBLE with LOLA GAMBLE CLYDE and BOB CLYDE

rural Moscow, Elk River; b. 1890

farmer and rancher

minute

Side A

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Wild Davey. Gus doubted he could read or write. Davey worked for the Gambles, and Gus remembers he was a poor hand. Davey gets angry at them for giving away one of the dogs he left with them. Davey's shack had no door, he crawled in through a window. The kids thought he was an old "windjammer", lying that he had taught Kit Carson a lot. His appearance. Davey asks a girl to comb his long long hair.

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Homesteading near Elk River in 1912. Trumball's sons ran cattle from the North Fork of the Clearwater up to the Elk River area. Buying a relinquishment, and proving up. The land was no good for growing. Building up the railroad.

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Sheriffs Pat Malone and Jim Kane. Hitching a ride from Elk River to Moscow.

Side B

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Working out while proving up on the homestead was fine with the land office in Lewiston.

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Bob Clyde enters with a doubletree. Bob tells of Shorty Hill. Shorty threatens to shoot full of holes a man who comes into Holliday's Lewiston saloon with a knife. Shorty rode cattle with Ben Reeves and others in the Salmon River country. Shorty helped the Platts move their cattle across the Salmon in the terrible winter of 1919.

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Shorty's brother was lynched with a Negro in Colfax. Shorty worked in forty below weather with no gloves. Shorty breaks a horse and blows the money. He witnessed a multiple killing at the Twenty-One Ranch near Lewiston, and for fifty dollars from the woman he got out and kept his mouth shut. More about the hanging of Ed Hill.

Side C

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(continued) The Negro Ed defended had killed someone. More about the murder at the Twenty-One Ranch. Shorty burned his clothes fighting forest fires. A man loses

Gus Gamble with Lola Gamble Clyde and Bob Clyde

minute

Side C (continued)

his job for taking a bum car on trade-in. Gus put Shorty to work as a hired hand on the ranch, but doesn't give him whiskey. His gun had three notches: he killed one man on the Salmon and they turned him loose, one he killed for not paying him for making a lariat. Lola Clyde recalls Shorty Hill.

(21 minutes)

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