Interview with Viola's parents
1888
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G 0333 at 7:30 A.M.
G 0506 out 4:30 pm

Red woman: "It's been so
desolate you take 3 away
from a place..."

If tried to harm her
She'd keep it to herself...

wouldn't tell us.

But then was some
kind of trouble but then
that nurse I don't know
nothing about it - but if I had
I'd been out then, rain...
She slept in room of father - in single bed.

Dad was sick at time - "She was best I ever saw"

Mrs. Hyatt -

Couple stopped -

Said "we all got children - don't know what they'll grow up to be."
Hyatt - he 72 Friday
Viola was 31 Feb 3
Mrs Hyatt - 64 Aug 29

Mrs H - "It looked like
she ought to been happy
here at home... She was
not a threat -

Mrs H - "She was her
crazy mad -
born her a beatin'!
I told him (Lee) if
he even lift her I'd
killed him... and I
would..."
Mrs. H. - "I think they were married. She'll tell me," we may be married, we may not."

Mr. H. - "I knew they'd never marry. I told him, "He'd never see the day to call her his wife."
He'd been married before." 

"Bout ready to put 'em out. They was too rough."
Lee "got in w/ Viola" 
that's how came to live here

Fred Harper visit here w/ 
brothers

And - "I never saw her take 
a drink - if she did"

Told her folks -

took her to Encarnita 
to meet a bus - going 
to Lee's home in Andalucia"
Lee - a welder at
Bynum
Emmett - worked on
a road machine - "when
he worked."

Lee & Vecla went to
Eniston about 4 pm
After dark when
came home about 8 pm

Emmett on front
pack up me when

Emmett went back
I can't brought in
groceries
She didn't come in afterward until 1-2 a.m. She woke me up and told me - "Going to Armistown, carry them fellers."

Saw her again next morning after a cup, she was out there in lot w/ caro.
Went off in car about 8:30 a.m.

Back at 11

Bathed, cleaned up before went to swimming

Shotgun - 12-gauge

I hammers in it

"When you pulled trigger, she'd shoot too"

She stayed w/me all the time
Taught her to shoot when 7 yrs old - killed robins.

Soon afterward shot possum in yd.

at nite 🌃

Shotgun in other room from where she slept 🛌

Vida went then 9th grade.

quit school to be others - got mad at teacher 🤫

Had "right smart" temper 🎀 never did see her mother mad 🤚
She's main stake at this place.

I feel like they won't take her away from me ...
"I couldn't stand to see me in trouble."

"That's reason she didn't come and get me that night..."
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