

Ann Hodgson	Interviewed by Tricia Ryan 17.1.15
2.25	<p>Was called Ann Jackson until 1952.  Went to Shadwell School. Then to Moortown School. Moved to Roundhay to live then back at Shadwell at retirement. Fluffed exams at 14, much to disappointment of grandparents who were headteachers. Mr Joy was the headteacher of Moortown School. Had to cycle or get bus then tram.  Went for interview at Post Office at Oakwood at age 14 and got the job. Springthorpes owned the Post Office. Job was to take telegrams and then give to 2 boy telegram deliverers. Then served on stationery side. Then helped on post office side. Looked after their daughter too (Christine) and went on holiday to Scarborough with family to help with Christine.</p>
2.50	<p>Remembers shops on parade. One was grocers, then plumbers, greengrocers, two chemists called Timothy Whites and Nortons. Fish and chip shop the same. Also Jones of Oakwood. Two hairdressers.</p>
4.00	<p>A boxing promoter lived at the back of the shops.  Grandmother disabled so left job to look after grandparents.  Got a 2 week job looking after the Shadwell Post Office on her own because of her experience in Oakwood.</p>
6.30	<p>There was a tram crash in 1952. Ann's husband Harry thinks there was a tram derailed at Oakwood after the driver didn't put brake on properly. It ran into a shop front, which was demolished in the crash.</p>