

Walking Day #137...Wednesday, January 16,2013...almost to Transylvania, REALLY!!!!...yes kids I am walking across the country!!!

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Wednesday morning, overcast and cold with a tailwind but no rain. I started the day out walking with Steve C from the RV park. He is engaging in a program to change certain behaviors (weight loss) and walking fits right in. We did a pleasant 3.1 miles (5 km's), solved at least half the world's problems in the process. On through Lake Providence and beyond. On the trip out to the starting point I received a call from Laura Laird (her father, Bert is one of the honorees), a sixth grade teacher in the Miami area as her class doubted that some people they are studying could walk from Alabama to Colorado. She wanted to use me as an object lesson. Thanks for the opportunity and it was good to hear your voice again. I must say that some of these little towns that we have going through seem to have a significant amount of poverty (condition of buildings being the measure). I know there are poor people in this country but this is the first time I have seen the dual poor. It takes my back to where I grew up in a rather obscure part of Manitoba. I feel fortunate that I was able to get an education to move beyond that level of significant poverty.

When the day was over we had covered 20.6 miles (33.2258 km's), used 43,111 steps and picked up \$0.68. Findings of the day: 1 odd wrench used on irrigation systems, 1 quarter, 3 dimes, 1 nickel and 8 pennies. I have five new pairs of shoes headed in this direction but have yet to see them. We were originally going to move tomorrow but since the shoes have not shown up I do believe I shall walk tomorrow and move Friday. We stopped a couple of miles shy of Transylvania and should make it to Tallulah tomorrow. Cheers!

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