

he bought another 100 head from Slick Little John. They already had 50 head. Now, that makes 250 head. Then, he went to the other place, and he'd pick up 15 or 20 head in the places. And he kept on till he got the 400 head of cattle. So, then, he hired them Indians to help him. They branded them cattle every time. They'd buy a bunch. They'd brand them-- put their brand. And this brand with a cross, a big cross on the side, that is a road brand. People used to do that.

(Yeah.)

He'd brand them that way. If any of them got away, he'd know them, his cattle. See, they'd brand them fast as they bought them, every place. They got them Indians to help them, and they drove down there to our place. We had a field about 20 acres out there with a rail fence around it, and they'd--fast as they brought them in there, they'd every night--they'd put them in that field; and every day they'd herd them out on the prairie. It was--there was grass there and a big creek there where that (word not clear) is now. A big spring come down there and water--a creek run down through there. They'd water them there. They kept on till they got that whole 400 head of cattle drove down there. And they drove them around a few days to get them kinda broke, you know. Well, then, they come right through this place right here. There was a store here, blacksmith shop and an old mill, where they'd grind wheat and corn, you know, to make bread on. They drove right down here to the place they call Melvin now, an old place. It had a ferry boat, but they could ford that. That was early in the fall then. The river was low. They drove them cattle across that and what they call Pryor now. They used to then--they called it Pryor Creek station. See, the railroad come through there, and it was a station. They went right through there. He went with them a long ways up there, and them Indians