

they really had a hard time back then. Back there, she went back there with some of her folks, I don't know whether she went back to Georgia or Tennessee or where. But he said he was 17 years old when the Civil War broke out. And he said then they had a mill over towards Stilwell, way on up the Caney.

(On the Caney, huh?)

Yeah. In Hummingbird community up there. That's where they used to go to mill.

(Yeah.)

He said, have to leave early in the morning. He said he'd go by horseback to the mill. Said leave out way before daylight and get over there. They'd run out of water by noon.

(Yeah.)

Said they'd gone until noon. Said they water--wait until the next day, you know, next morning, pump the water overnight, you know. Rest of the day, you know, overnight, carry next day until noon. He was 17 years old then. The war broke out in 1860. 1960 it was a hundred years.

(A hundred years.)

A hundred and nine years if he was 17 years old.

(Well.)

109 and 17. He was 17. (Counts) He ask me if did I ever remember seeing any old timbers down where the mills. That was the present site of the old mills. Down below the creek. Down the creek a little ways. There was a fence creekbed.

(Yeah.)

Well, I remember seeing this big old heavy timbers down there, you know.

He said that's where the mill was built.