

was about the 1st or 2nd of April. I only had a day to get my improvements up. And I lived in that 8 X 10 shack and taught school and farmed for the next four years before I got married. But I had bought another quarter section before I married and had a nice herd of cattle and a little work stock. I sorta was on my feet. I guess that's all you want to know.

ABSENCE OF INDIANS AROUND CARNEGIE, CIRCA 1901

There was no Indians. They stayed in colonies, more or less, on that. While they had claims, they were all given a right to a quarter section of land and they had claims. But I didn't see very much of Indians--only at entertainments like--now we have them in our park every year. There's big gatherings--maybe a couple of thousand at a time, but in the early days it was only maybe 50 or 100 at gatherings at the lake. And of course it was new to us and we liked to watch their...in fact they was some of our best neighbors that were part Indian that had gotten claims and they would go in and dance with the others. Well they do now---lots of white people--when the Indians gather here in the park, why there's pretty near as many white people that dance with them and parade with them. We rather like our Indian population--now we're not--I don't think--here prejudiced against the Indian as where they have the Negroes they're so prejudiced against the Negro. I know very few by name. In that day I knew a good many, but most of them have died--and these are younger (gals?), but they nearly all knew me. I've been here so long that they have grown up with me--around on that. It's pretty hard for me to remember the Indian names. In time I might think of some of them. Kickingbird is one. But there was one neighbor down there where I taught school that was a nice family. They had an allotment the same as the rest. And there was lots of Indians, but on their names--I just can't remember too much about them.

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