him, "I sentence you to be hung until you are dead, dead, dead!" Many of the old timers have related that Cherokee Bill replied, "And you can kiss my ___ until it's red, red, red!" Such were the men who sometimes disturbed the peace and quiet of the once Delaware Nation long ago. Another of the old time outlaws who added to the activity was Al Spencer, who had a home up near Keys Ford on Big Creek.

Arch tells that near where his old home was up on Big Creek he remembers an old log cabin. His folks had told him that an old Indian lived there during the Civil War. One day during the war two bushwhackers came to the old Indian's home to rob him. He took advantage of some condition and killed both of them. He threw their bodies in an old abandoned well and filled it in. Their horses, he took out on the prairie and turned them loose. At another time during the Civil War, George Captain, an old Shawnee, told him that one day his father and brother and his grandfather were fishing on the creek up in the Big Creek country. They saw some bushwhackers approaching and the three tried to get away, but his grandfather was shot and killed. Arch remembers in his travels of that country of finding the place described by George Captain and what he believed was his grandfather's grave. Long ago up in the northeastern part of the county, in what is now the huge Todd Ranch, there lived a Delaware Indian, by name of McCrackin. For some reason outlaws would visit his home to rest, get food, and fresh horses. Little was ever known about this Indian, or what became of him.

Arch speaks proudly of his many years as a lawman. He says over some thirty years in dealing with the offenders of law and society, he never had to kill a man. He had shot around a fugitive, but with no intent of hitting him, and several men have looked at the dark little hole at the end of his pistol and followed his orders. In his active years he used to enjoy visiting the inmates he held in the county jail. He knew many of them and many were also his friends, but in that case duty came before friendship. In the years