

(Were you required to go to church at Riverside?)

We went to church on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings in the city. There was Baptist, Methodist, and a Catholic priest came in. My uncle's church at Saddle Mountain was taken to Cash for the frontier village.

(Was there a big difference between elementary and high school there?)

At the age of fourteen or fifteen, the girls had to cook meals for 20 people and employees--biscuits, cakes, meat loaf. It came under home economics. But it was more like helping to pay for our room and board. They worked us like dogs. There were ten girls and ten boys in a building five on each detail. One group had to get your own food-for the cottage) from the big dining room. Five would take care of the laundry. They had to wash the clothes, hang them out, bring them in and iron them.

(How often did they do this?)

Every Monday and Thursday--for all twenty people.

(Did the boys work too? What kind of work did they do?)

They helped with the dairy in town. It furnished us with butter, milk, chickens.

(Was this dairy only for the school, or did they sell for a profit?)

Just for the school. They raised pigs, but I never saw any ham. And the cream too, must have gone to the employees. We did our own butchering, but you know, I never saw any steaks, we ate hamburger. Paul worked there and he said he saw them hang up big hams.

(Did Paul go to Riverside?)

Yes, we met there. My uncle wouldn't let us date at home, so we dated there. He (Paul) went to Haskell with me. We were engaged for three years.