

the railroad came through and they finally decided to put a depot up here.. Well, White Oak then just moved up here. My father and Charlie Brown sold the lots and plowed it off. It used to be down there. That is--well I know it was before 1900, but I don't know how much.

(Where was--was the business part of town on this street here or was it along the railroad?)

The business part was all down there.

(It was all down there.)

Everything. I've got an old time picture of it. I can still--

(All right. That we be interesting to see.)

(Shows many pictures)

GREAT GRANDMOTHER CAME ON TRAIL OF TEARS - HAD 1000 SLAVES IN GEORGIA

(The Cherokee came on the Trail of Tears. Elizabeth Jones Hampton, great-grandmother of Whitman and Jones.. In Trail of Tears march, she walked and led her slaves. They wanted to come too. The slaves' names were Martin and David.)

No, yeah.

(She had owned a thousand.)

That's what they said. I don't know that for sure.

(She had owned a thousand slaves back in Georgia.)

She brought a trunk full of confederate money, but it wasn't any good.

(Well, and she brought a trunk full of confederate money, which was no good here.)

When they crossed the river, she brought her cattle and she walked with these slaves and the male wouldn't go in the river, the Mississippi.

(Well.)

She takes--you know how tender a male's nose is. She hooks her finger around his nose and sits in a boat and pulled that bull across. Well, that would make him go across there and the slaves get behind and push.