

Yeah. Still have. I'm a member of it.

(Well, that's good.)

(Static.)

I don't know hardly just how many members there are. But I used to see that lodge when they'd just be a line coming there, members.

(Well, I guess in the early days they had blacksmith shop, and everything around there.)

Oh yeah they had quite a few blacksmith shops there at one time. Then a brick mill.

COMING OF RAILROAD - FARMING COMMUNITY

(Well, in a way the coming of the railroads through Indian territory didn't affect McLain a whole lot one way or the other didn't it?)

No.

(Except it did provide more outlet, I guess.)

Yeah. Well, that's the way the mail come down from down over here. Then a main would go over there and get it and bring it to McLain every day. And they had a passenger service, on the passenger train.

(At one time was this a farming community? Or has it always been grazing?) Used to be farming yeah. Raised cotton, corn, wheat. Then just over the hill there why then get on the Arkansas River. Yeah, this used to be -- there's never been a gin at McLain but they bought cotton there. Buy it there and then haul it to up near Warner or some other gin, you know. Wherever he could get the most for it. (Sentence not clear.)

(Yeah you could tell that. Lots of good grazing country in here.)

CREEK NATION

(Now is this, your home over in here, is this in the old Cherokee Nation or the Creek Nation?)