

he'd say now, watch up in the trees. And they had horses down there and he'd--them panthers would come out of that tree and he'd shoot on a horse. And they had horses there scared on 'em right along. Scarred right across the hips.

(Yeah. That's the way they'd do.)

And boy, one fella said, if they'd been hit in there, you couldn't get 'em back in that timber either. No, no sir. And the jaguar, you know, he's one of them animals, water doesn't bother him. He'll just swim like a duck. Down in old Mexico and down in that lower part of the country where those durn things came from. They home in there.

(And they favor eating a dog. Well, that's unusual.)

Their favorite meat is dog meat.

(And the regular panther, he likes colt, too.)

Yeah.

(Well, that's something new. I'm learning something all the time.)

He'll kill a lot of deer.

(Oh, yeah.)

But if he can get a colt, ninety-nine times out of ten, where there's a lot of deer, you'll find panther.

(Yeah, well, there's lots of deer in the country now.)

Oh gosh, you could walk across from here to that door over there and never see no breaks. Cane breaks.

(I guess those cane breaks have been in this bottom...)

Always have.

(Always have. Well, they'll hide most anything.)

I'll tell you something else too, far out in the country those darned old bobcats. Trouble with bobcat and a panther, they can be in the country for years and a person never know it.

(Yeah. They're pretty wild, all right.)