

Spencerville is up here about 18 miles north of the railroad. But now, I'm not sure, but there might 've been Spencer, although I don't think so. This railroad was built through here - was finished just about the time I got here. I got here in 1902. The track had been laid, but it hadn't been ballasted. When a train would go over it, the track would sink clear out of sight. After the train got by, then it would come back up. Took us all day to go from here to Idabel.

Now, you take out here at Goodland, the other LeFlore brother the first Choctaw chief out here was named Basil LeFlore and he settled his home about a mile west of the Goodland School. And of course, he passed away and the property went into private ownership and it was torn down. I bought one room of it and had it rebuilt on the campus of Goodland School, as I said a while ago they're letting it go to pieces. Anyway, the history on the whole deal, there's so much of it, and it doesn't track like our history, it zigzags, here and there off and on and over yonder. ( Did that Lock War that you mentioned have anything to do with different clans of Choctaws?)

Yeah, the Locks, and I forget the names of the others - Well I don't remember the names of the opposing folks. It was more over some regulation of the government of the Choctaw Nation. I forget exactly what it was. ( That was before they could have been in any argument over the freedmen, wasn't it?)

Yes, the argument was over management of the fullbloods. Now, you take Basil LeFlore, he was a full-blood. He, well, it's confusing. It had its origins and troubles in the history of the Choctaw nation. Now you take, there's a man the name of Hunter, J.W. Hunter was a fullblood Choctaw or almost fullblood. He and the Lock element fell out and they