

had to carry in wood, carry in water, take out the waste water, wash water.

(What was down town Tahlequah like during Seminary days?)

Oh, it was a one street town, you know, like many of them are. They had a grocery store, had a bank and drug store, had eating shacks like they would have.

(Everything was long there about where the present court house then?)

Yeah. That's right, right on main street there. Some of 'em couldn't talk English.

(And they learned their English right there in school?)

Yeah. Had to learn to read, you know.

(Yeah.)

Not much school. Like a home, more or less. Didn't have any bicycles.

Didn't have any horses. Didn't have any way to get around except walk.

If we broke a leg and came home, we'd have to get in a wagon, wagon and team. Ride out and ride with somebody or some of the folks came and haul us out and then haul us back. Pretty slow go.

(Did they have a railroad at that time?)

Yeah. They had a railroad toward the end. Come down through Park Hill, on out through Muskogee and Fort Gibson. Frisco Line.

(Frisco?)

We took our wheat into town and had flour made.

(Did they have a mill in Tahlequah then?)

Yeah. They had Tahlequah Mills. Same old outfit, been there forever. I tell you a man you can get in touch with to give you some information. That's Jim McSpadden.

(End of Part I, Side A.)