

I wouldn't know what to do with it, but I'd hand it to Uncle Henry and he'd say, "We'll buy you something." He'd buy it all up in candy.

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(What was the inside of those general mercantiles like? What all did they have in there?)

Well, I wouldn't know hardly what they had in the beginning but after I got old enough to remember how things was they'd have stuff hangin' from the ceiling, hangin' on the racks, you know. Different kinds of tools, such as hoes and axes, broad axes and I don't know, just everything like that, you know. Whatever was salable, they carried it.

(They had lot of harness and saddles?)

Harness and saddles and in the back yard they'd have plows and double shovels, Georgia stock, single shovel, you know. And that's about the biggest--the cultivators never came in 'til I was pretty good sized kid before I saw the first cultivator.

#### PLANTING CORN IN EARLY DAYS

(Well, then you had to use the double shovel or Georgia stock then--)

You used the Georgia stock to make the corn rows. And we went along and dropped the corn by hand. We'd have it in a sack, you know, on us. Reach down in there and get us a handful--drop the corn and then somebody would be right behind them with a hoe and cover it up with a hoe. And that's the way we planted corn. One fellow with one horse would go down and make a straight row and that's how we planted corn. Didn't have big fields. Just might as well say three or four acres in this field, then maybe over here is one with five or six acres and then maybe over here is another acre. Wherever there was a spot that they fenced and that was what they--how the folks farmed. Now in the beginning that place that I allotted, old Granny Buzzard settled--there was a field that run south and east of the