

NATURE OF THE LAND NEAR LEFT HAND'S PLACE, LEASING OF, ETC.

(--John Ferguson had a park down there?)

Yeah, he had a little park. Left Hand gave him a little ground there where they'd invite Indians to picnics. Political talks. But that all used to be solid timber. Some of the old trees--like that tree--I bet there used to be a lot of wild turkeys out on its branches years ago.

(When did they clear it?)

About seventy years ago. A fellow by the name of Julius Garvey bought this place right here adjoining it, and he started to clear that. And he had people come out and volunteer to take the wood out. They grubbed trees out with tractors, and he give them all those trees that they grubbed out, and they hauled it away.

(Is fence right here the south boundary of Left Hand's allotment?)

Yeah, right here where this fence is.

(Whose allotment was this on this side?)

One of his folks. That's been sold. Yeah, it was sold to Julius Garvey. He used to live in Geary. He died. And there used to be thick timber where that campground used to be down there.

(Was that a whole 160 acres?)

Yeah.

(Do you have any idea how much that fellow had to pay for it?)

I don't have any idea. I was off to school then.

(What did you say they get for leasing that bottom land today?)

Sixteen, seventeen or eighteen hundred dollars a year. Upland leases for about twelve hundred or fourteen hundred dollars a year.