

farm, they'd come down. She lived on a farm over here and they'd come down to see her and he told them they could go out and feed. He went out there a and when he come back, he said, "Well how did you get along." He said, "Well, I peeled the corn and give the shavins' to the cows." (laughter)

FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS HAVE DESTROYED GOOD FISHING

(Mr. Wright has this Barren Forks, that's been a good fishing stream in its time hasn't it?)

All these years. The last few years, they ain't. They have used flood control, ponds, and terracing and built ponds until we don't have any streams anymore. When you say flood control, you can say they goin to ruin your stream of water and they still doin' some more, and eventually I don't suppose we'll have any water down through here because now, since the water has quit runnin so freely, its growed up with willow trees, jest a little branch runnin' down to the creek.

Woman: Used to be a big stream at one time. Was a big bridge you cross comin' from down here, it would rain and the creek got up and it run over the bridge. It was a good fishin stream for a long time.

(Are that any eels left in the stream?)

No, it's been a long time since I caught one. They last one I caught weighed about eight pounds. I know of some fellows that have caught'em on the (not clear) I went down there one evenin' when the creek was gettin muddy, jest fished a little while and I caught this big bugger and drug him out on the back and he was really big.

(Yeah, that's a big eel.)

We caught a big gar one time. We cleaned him and we cooked him and boy, he was good. Just slice it, and they're good.

(Well I'll try a piece of gar then.)