

(December 4, 1968. Today I'm visiting with Arthur Fox, an 86 year old, of Cherokee ancestry, of the Dodge Community, Delaware County, Oklahoma. He gives some history of this old Indian settlement.)

EARLY DAYS OF DODGE COMMUNITY IN DELAWARE COUNTY

--one store and had some more people over there.

(Yeah.)

We used to go to Delaware for our mail. There was lots game and ducks and geese.

(Yeah. About when did the railroad leave out of here?)

I have to scratch my head on that one.

(Let's see, you came here in 1916?)

Uh-huh.

(Where was you raised?)

Cedar Cabin, Missouri.

(Well, let's see, the prairie probably got it's name from the Cowskin River then?)

Uh-huh. When they quit farming they moved over there.

(Over just north of here.)

Uh-huh.

(Well, and then who was Dodge named after?)

Well, I can't think of it.

(Must have been an old settler by that name.)

Could be. I think he lived around Chelsea at one time. Carried the mail by horseback in early days.

(Harland Post Office.)

Uh-huh. That was when I was small.