

Ben: Well they just had old crooked wagon roads.

(Well.)

MEN HAD TO HELP WORK THE ROADS OR PAY A POLL TAX

Ben: They finally got to working them. But they just fixed a bad place in those crooked roads, you know. Finally they got to open up a section line.

(Yeah.)

Ben: Got graders. They made a lot of roads with these old horse graders too.

(Yeah. Well is that what they call working their "poll tax" or something?)

Ben: Yeah.

(What was that program?)

Ben: Well I think you either had to work, I believe four days single handed, or five dollars. Or maybe five days and five dollars. If you didn't want to work you had to pay five dollars.

(Yeah.)

Ben: If you worked why they allowed you a dollar--a dollar and a quarter a day.

(Yeah.)

Ben: The poll tax, I think it was five dollars, for poll tax.

(And that was the only way they had to keep some of the roads up, wasn't it?)

Ben: Yeah. Yeah and where they had lots of servers, some guy wouldn't-- didn't want to work.

(Yeah.)

Ben: Had quite a time with some guys like that.

(Yeah you'll always find some people just want to be on the other side of the fence.)

Ben: Yeah. They allowed you two dollars and a half a day for your team, if you could furnish your team.

(Yeah. That was hard work too, wasn't it?)