

tractors. My father used to drive the tractor, plow the fields, and so on. And my mother, she was a typical Osage Indian lady. She believed in doing her share of the woman's part. She loved to raise chickens. And I can remember her specialty. She used to like to raise black minorca hens for their beautiful white eggs. And she had a huge chicken house, filled with these chickens. She loved black minorca hens. And the little girls that were below me, they used to raise ducks and we had a creek about a quarter of a mile down from our home. They used to herd these little ducks down to the creek and watch them swim. And they loved the ducks, the little girls. And my mother loved to have guineas on her farm, she loved to have guineas around and about the farm, and hear them holler. It was a wonderful thing to get up early of the morning and in the spring, hear these animals holler, and hearing the chickens crowing. And it was just a full, wonderful life that we children had and we lived in a rambling two-story brick home.

AFTER OIL WAS DISCOVERED THEY BUILT A LARGE HOME

All this I am telling, happened after we built a new home. (Background conversation). We lived previously about a quarter of a mile down the road in an older home that my grandfather built. And when the--when oil was discovered and the Osage became wealthy, and they wanted to better themselves, my father and my mother built a new home on the same property, but a quarter of a mile up the road a ways. It was a ten room brick home, with five bedrooms, upstairs and a bath, the living room, sun room, kitchen and dining and breakfast room and the sewing room and another bath downstairs. They built this home for the children where there was eight children. And it was a very lovely home. My mother furnished it most elaborate, and it was very lovely. And I can remember those days we had a cook and a maid, and men folk to help my father and my brothers out on the fields among the farm doing farm work.

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And also he raised hogs. I can remember those days. He had many hogs, he