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(Well)
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Yeah that's what they trapped those prairie chickens.. Anybody can get them chickens now. (Not clear) down here.

(Yeah.)

Probably (not clear). They're too crazy. I wouldn't trust (not clear).

## EARLY DAYS BEFORE WELCH WAS A TOWN

(Well you saw this country before this town was ever here. Then didn't you?)

Yeah. They had few stores here. Long time here. Course they're gone now.

(Yeah)

And different people lived here around then. I used to own a wagon store here. That's been changed four times.

(Well)

Four different people have run that store.

(Well is this one of the oldest stores here?)

Yeah, sure is. Uh-huh. Copeland store used to be down there. Another old store there too. A fellow name Sawyer up there. Got it. It's called Speigles now.

(Yeah)

Up there where the bank is now.

(Uh-huh)

Yeah we got two banks there. Young guy there. He's pretty smart.

(Uh-huh)

He got good help in there.

(Well this town used be bigger than it is now. Didn't it?)

Oh yeah, it's still growing now. Lots of people coming in now. Put some new houses on the south end. Back on this side up here.

(Yeah)