

(Sentence not clear) Ride on horseback you know.

(But you didn't have roads like this?)

Oh, no. We had good smooth roads. Run by the trail ways. Just cleaned them up and not rocky like it is now. Not washed it is now. Lots of soil on them. We'd travel a long ways. We used to go to Southwest City in a wagon, to mill. Of course, we had an aunt living up there, and grandma Snell. They lived west of Southwest City about four miles in the territory.

(Well did they later have a mill down in this country too anywhere?)

Yeah, had grist mills and corn mills. But they never had no flour mills.

Did our grinding up there. We'd go once a year so we have some grinding done there. We'd take a thousand pound of flour home.

(Yeah, a thousand pound of flour would last you a long time?)

EARLY DAYS AROUND LOCUST GROVE

Well you had to manage that a way because there wasn't no stores nowhere.

(That's right. They didn't have no store at Locust Grove. Did they have one they have one at Salina?)

Well they had a store at Locust Grove. I tell you where Locust Grove was at the time. You know where all them Whitelers lived. Well that's where Locust Grove was. That was Whitelers place. Well, then after they built this town they moved Locust Grove to Locust and called it Loucst Grove.

The main place is over there where Bryant store. Fellow named Bryant had a store up there. Then there was Whistler Markham lived there was a great big store. Called Markham store.

(Now which way is it from where Locust Grove is now?)

Well, you go west down that highway and when you get to where them houses are built well its right up there on that hill.

(That was old Whistler Markham's store.)