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I was speaking of these prisoners; some of the prisoners were charged for murder and some for stealing, and when they were taken to the judge in Wewoka, which I intended to watch them to be whipped or to be shot, whichever the sentence might have been.

LIGHTHORSEMEN IDENTIFIED:

Captain Larney was the captain of the lighthorsemen, also acting as a judge. Whatever the jury, which is the jury panel consisted mostly of the lighthorsemen, whatever the fixed punishment were, why Captain Larney went along and approved of such punishment, and of course, there were some acquittals. But the main thing I do remember that I wish to say is when the court was in session and if the person was to get away, why then when the court they never bothered too much about going after them during that time, except if he got away the third time, that was a sentence on his own death, because that was a death sentence after he got away the third time.

I also wish to state too, that these courts were held, oh, I'd say approximately a mile south of the present site of Wewoka. And I do remember then there was a big brush arbor that was built on that place, and that's where they held all their courts. And too, at one time, I did have some part of that iron leg, or leg chain, or whatever you want to call them, at one time. But it got away from me recently. I really don't know what happen to it. I wish now I know where it is, or could preserve it in a better way than I did.

Some of the few of the lighthorsemen that I do remember: first was my father, Echoelle, that means Deer Foot, Okfuskee Miller, Younger Bowlegs, and there was some colored people in there that is freed-men or not, but there was some colored lighthorsemen which was known