

sugar, coffee. Chickens laid eggs, guinea eggs too, but nobody like them but me. Turkey too, they go way off and hatch so I had to watch them and I used to bring them back from the woods. We cage them till they were bigger and let them out 'cause they are easy hurt by, even dew. My brothers used to hunt and they'd bring back 'coon'. They would skin them and they were fat. Mama used to take fat off and roast them. She put irons through it and put it over fire. She kept turning it over till it was cooked. It was good to eat 'coon! They threw possums away though. They sold coon's hide though. Birds too, they went out and shot them. They would take lantern and scared them out of trees and killed them and brought them home. They liked them stewed. (What kind of birds were they?)

Robin. They didn't get the field larks cause they were too boney. They'd get snow birds too. They didn't kill quail, cause they just didn't kill them kind. They didn't kill doves either. We used to didn't buy no salt pork either, like I do now. Nobody hardly killed rabbits either, except my brothers, when they did, they cooked them for them. I think them days were good days. Right now I can't even make a garden. When I lived at the other place, I planted a few things such as onions. (laughter)

(You'd rather live like long time ago?)

Long time ago yes, but white people is full everywhere now. (laughter)

(Where did you used to go to school?)

First time I went to Mountain View. We walked long ways, had big bucket of lunch, guinea eggs in it I guess. We throw meat in, bread and they told us to go to Deere's Chapel and we started going there..

(About how many miles did you walk to school?)

Three miles, I guess. Lots of us Indians went like Sallie Belcher, Irah Polk, Susie Cosar and Tuner Beaver.

(Were they mostly Indians?)

No, white ones went too, like Carters, Dan C., sister, Little High, Elmer