

They weren't going to pay them anymore so they released them. Oh, they kept a few but just for a certain time and then they finally done away with that...Indian scouts.

Whenever peace was restored then they discarded all those Indian scouts.

GRANDFATHER'S POST-SCOUTING DAYS

(What did your Grandfather do after that?)

Well, he settled down and...

(He settled down?)

Yeah, the country was opened in 1908, 1907 or 1908. When they allotted these lands and the Cherokee Strip was opened. Western Oklahoma was opened to the settlers and that's when my Grandpa got where we live now. He wanted that place, he got that.

(In the run?)

Where I live now that's my Grandma's place. His place was on the south side. He sold half of that to build that home. Now, the army or the government should build him a home like they done Quanah Parker or these others. They got a home out of this deal, see.

(Well, how did he get this land?)

You study Oklahoma history? 1908, 1907.

(Did he get it in the run or did he get it in an allotment?)

After they made allotment then they opened the rest to the people, see. They reserved that. The rest of it they sold it. I don't know who stole it or who used the money but that's Indian country here. The white man sold it in other words, he paid himself. See, that's white man's money. He put it out then he paid himself. For nothing. He gave each individual, each head man, a quarter of land, 160. There are four quarters in one section. Well, somebody took a 160, another took a 160, another-- and another, and all they got was a 160. Still white man involved he got all that he gave. That's why I asked you about Indian giver, the white man's one who gives same way. He's the one that ought to have that "White Man Giver." Therefore, I just tell you the way things, my conception of things that took place. Transpired and all that. The laws, rules, regulations, whatever you want to call it all come from the old country