

A certain kind of food that it was fixed up that would keep several days like blue dumplings, this and that. And so, she fixed him up something to heat up. He left, and his course how many days it took him to get there, he never did say. But Maude Lomis said they went. They went association Rock Spring in wagon in 1891. Said it took'em a whole month to get there on wagon that was. Leading the way with horseback 'cause he had made several trips there and back. He knowed the way, but there wasn't no road whatever. So, however they cross that North Canadian by Oklahoma City, I don't know. But, I guess, they found a place they could go down and cross the river and go on out. They said it took'em a whole month to get there. Whenever they got there why them Wichitas, of course, they was friends with John, my father. When they seen him coming why they all just come out there just a-moaning and just--received him. Took him back (sentence in Creek) What they said. They followed him on in the church house. And after the association took'em another whole month to get back. So, it must have took him about the same length of time to go there. And he said when night would pass him why he'd just stay all night out in the open and all he could hear--wolves howling and howling--wolves and mountain lions. Them days there was some pretty wild beasts, pretty mean beasts them days. He said, that's all he could hear but he'd sleep all night and next day he'd go again. He said, he had enough grub, but he run out of water. He had canteen of water with him, but his water run out and couldn't get no water. Them creeks was all dry. He said one day he was thirsty and didn't have no water all day long and he was so thirsty he couldn't sleep. Even if he laid down he couldn't sleep. He said he had rode down a creek a long ways. Half the night, but he couldn't find no water. He just decided take out and stay all night. He staked his horse out and laid down. He said way long about 12 o'clock at night, he was just so thirsty. He said, he was spitting up cotton mostly. He said he got up and he said well maybe there might be some water close around here. I might have come close to water and stopped. He said, I walked around that creek. Went about a mile. It was way after night. That would be something pretty hard to do.