

highway, it come through where it is now, well, that just killed Row.

See, they left it off the highway. It's just like a lot of towns.

The highway killed them: But there was quite a little settlement there.

Dr. Lyman was the doctor. He went all over the country doctoring

people. They had a little saw mill in there. They sawed timber in

there, and saw walnut timber. It used to be pretty active.

MORE ABOUT ROW AND OTHER TOWNS

(What was the nearest large town to Row in those early days?)

Well, Siloam Springs. I'll tell you where this--where there used to be tradin' a lot, way back yonder was at Bloomfield.

(Well, that's one I've never heard of.)

Well, now, Bloomfield is on the road from Row to Gentry. It's about three miles and a half. Well, it's about, let's see, three miles west of Gentry. And old man Wilson, he's a real old-timer, had a store, had a lot of Indian trade. Well, most of his trade was from this side. Well, he had two boys, Albert and Joe.. And they did a big banking business up in, I guess, up in St. Louis or some place. One of them, let's see, old Albert, I think, beat Joe out of his part of it. Anyway, Joe went to Tahlequah and opened up a meat market and store down there. He was great big fat fella, awful bad to drink. But they're all dead and gone now; I guess.

(Must be, I haven't heard of any of them. What was the industry around Row?)

Well, there wasn't anything hardly, just a little country town, farming mostly.

(Timber work there too?)

Not much. It was just a little old inland town, just farming. Now that's