

two churches here, the Baptist church and the Christian church. So, we --  
it's nice community, good people.

(Yeah, you said it a whole lot better than some of the places around  
(not clear) . Some of them just died right off the map now.)

That's right. We've had still, and I think we'll grown now since we  
got this water flow water in, and, of course, there'll be more people  
in.

#### EARLY DAY SMALL TOWNS SLOWLY DISAPPEARING

(Well, I've often wondered about these little towns that have just died,  
I guess, a natural death, but I never could figure out why. For instance,  
well, Watova, and Tolala, for instance. At one time, I understand that  
they were towns.)

Oh, they were nice towns.

(But something happened to them. I don't know the answer is.)

Well, main thing, railroads, of course. I said, main thing -- main thing  
was a cattle business. The cattle -- the ranchers quit trading in the  
little towns. They went to bigger towns when they got transportation.  
The railroad took their stockyards out. And (not clear), it used to  
be the main shipping point. Tolala had one, and Watova had one where they  
loaded their cattle. There was some real big ranches, and a lot of them around--  
they just now, where, maybe, two-three ranchers operated, now, there's  
one cattle company. Some of 'em got the whole country. And they just  
ruin these little towns. Well, we got one over here that's doing research  
farm, Purina Feed Company, you know. There -- I mean, (not clear), they  
just start buying. They'll buy the whole community, I mean, surrounding  
land. They just -- community dries up. There's nothing there to keep it  
going.