

it no way, you know. And /laughter/ oh, you know, all those white people would be onto the Indian. They was all crooked as hind legs. They never give the Indians a break, honest break on everything, you know. And that's the reason so many of them got so rich around here, you know.

# RAILROAD

(What time is it--what--what--what year was this railroad came in?)

Well, the railroad come in here in 1902.

(Two, huh?)

When I come here, the Indian still was over here at Jennings.

(Oh.)

And they run the trains down to Osage and put them on a turntable down there--the engine on turntable, you know, and went back to Parsons, come out Mt. Parsons, Kansas and come back when I first come here. We couldn't go no further than Osage on a train.

(No bridge to cross the river, I guess.)

No, they hadn't built a bridge across the river there. I don't know. Seems like they had. I think they built the bridge across the river so as to carry the steel on out, you know, to the end of the line where it was. But the end of steel line was over at Jennings when I come here, 1903. And there I, I seen about the first train come into Hominy, and I seen the last passenger train around here and I, I worked on this Cleveland bridge, car bridge, 1925. They had built it. I watched it go down. Thirty-eight years it stood there.

(Yeah.)

And this old lumber yard here was built here in 1908, right after statehood, right where bought the lumber company was, you know.

And I watched it built, and watched it go down. It stood there

fifty years, sixty years--it stood there, no, it been there--it