

Well they always had hogs. In the early days down in the bottom where you see that timber down there we had just litters and litters of hogs down there in a great big pen. And some of them ran loose. Then of course if they had pigs then they put up the sows until the pigs got certain age then they turned them loose after the crops were gathered. (How did they take care of their pigs?) Did they feed them?)

Oh yes. We always had plenty of corn and stuff to feed them with.

(Were there any other animals besides pigs and cattle?)

Well, goats and cause my grandmother always kept that is my grand dad when he was living, why he always had a few goats because they always you know kept the timber clean. That was the main purpose.

(What about pets? Did you have any pets while you were growing up?)

Oh yes. I had a little old possum and I had one little skunk I remember well, but that little possum that I had was just like a cat, they're clean and then finally some stray dogs came and they killed it for me.

(Did you ever do anything to the possum, I mean the skunk, to keep him...)

Oh, deodorize?

(Uhuh)

Yes, my grand dad did that. But they're nice around the place. You don't have any mice or anything when they're around. I don't know whatever happened to the..I guess when I went away to school they done away with it. So that was the end. When I came back I didn't have anything. I don't know what..my grand uncle is the one that got that. My grand dad is the one who went and deodorized it. You have to get them while they're small and then..they just have a tiny little bag that they have and then you make an incision and sew that up and they're really clean. The the 're you know just like a cat. That's the only