

and put cold water in. You had to be able to know how to make fire in that boiler. You had to have water in that before that boiler explode. He ran a lot of water in the steam engine and he got up the stream without a paddle. There's a lot of things, these modern day kids don't know a thing about a steam engine or a lot of things. And still they say they teach the kids different trades in high school. I still think boarding gives better training than the present day system.

(Did they teach you any carpentry there?)

They taught just pretty near everything a person would want to learn.

(What kind of subjects did they teach out of book?)

Well, mostly grade school subjects. I went to school in Concho, like I said, and I finished there and went on to school at Haskell. Far as that goes Concho is still there, still teaching the kids definite vocation, except raising cows. They done away with cattle raising, and they done away with all the equipment. So now those children that went to school them days had better training than present day children has now. Cause they learn by doing. You can't just go out here and whatever you learn by the book go ahead and do what you would do acturally. So that's two different things. We all had to go through different works in a certain length of time, in boarding school. We had to put in a certain length of time working with cows and a certain length of time working with horses and how to farm and everything. And certain length of time doing carpenter work. In half day we go to school and work the other half. We use all of the coal and wood that people can find until we started