

tage of Indians are very small that will work. Now while I was a business down here I done business with a few Indians that were good farmers good ranchers, made money. Made a good living. But the percentage is very small and we'd be got Indians here that would lease their land and get that money to live on and the government would have to feed them. They just have no ambition at all to get out and do anything. Of course back in those days they were worse then they are now, because they growed up and all they had to do with was a saddle horse and something like that. They never had no automobile of course we didn't have no automobile at that time, but they didn't have no buggy's or no convenience except the wagon, feet, horses. I think this leasing land has been a salvation for the Indians. I don't think they could have lived at all if they had to farm the land. They couldn't make a show of it.

(Do you think it is the governments fault that their like this?)

Well, I don't think so in a way, you know, I believe those Indians it is just a nature of them to be that way. Their just, well they just don't have the ambition. They don't see further at all, everything right now, right now it's alright, but tomorrow it's a different question. And that's the difference between the Indians and the whites. We're looking forward to something tomorrow for something to live on and they're looking for something just today. They eat today well they get by tomorrow some way. But I don't think the Indian is as bad to make trouble as the Negro at that. But of course the Negro is a little cleaner then the Indian.

(That true?)

Yes, I seen them Indians need a shear for three or four days terrible. I don't think a Negro would do that.

(Was that when you first came out here?)

SELLING DISEASED BEEF TO INDIANS:

Yes, that was 20 years ago 30 years ago they done that. When we come here when you had a cow that died just tell the Indians they would come and get her. Just take her home, and you wouldn't have to fool with her. You wanted anythingk--they done it.

(Did they ever get sick from it?)

No. You couldn't make of the them si k. I never knew of one getting sick. I know I had several cows got sick and died out there and I call the Indians and they came and got