

him down town a day or two and I guess that cow weighed 1100 pounds. Something like that. So I met him downtown there one day (unin.) and he said "Dee, you want to buy a cow?" I said, "Yeah, I got a \$10 bill that I'll give you for all I've got." I said, "You take that, I got it in cash. You won't have to endorse a check." He said, "It'll be about 10 years (unin.) I use to ship news to Memphis, Tenn., Ft. Smith, Arkansas, Texarcana, Kansas City, Omaha, Nebraska, everywhere I been. I've covered a lot of the territory. Sometimes I make a little money, sometimes I didn't. So I go on freight.

(What's the most cattle you've ever handled at one time?)

Well, I had, when I had 300 or 500 at the time I was pasturin' on these leases around here. And then like that. Use to have 100 or 200 cattle all the time.

(Where you lease'n' land from the Indians?)

Yeah, it was Indian land mostly. Leasin' this land.

(How many Indians did you lease from?)

Oh, Lord, I don't know, I've leased from several.

(Do you remember any of their names?)

Yes, I lease from Old Red Buffalo, use to be out east of town. Red Buffalo, White Buffalo, oh, different ones. A lot of them. I'd have to figure up. Leotone, Different ones.

(What'd they charge for the land?)

Well, they didn't charge you so much then. But now, you go to lease from them you nearly have to buy the farm to get it. You lease around those pastures, lease around, oh, give a five year lease, give around 50 or 60 dollars.

(That's for the whole thing?)

No, that's a year. Just like you lease, a lease for five years, two years, whenever you get it, you lease it then, you pay him so much a year.