

DIFFERENCE IN TRAVELING TIME IN EARLY DAYS AND NOW

Sure. Like the other day - in LaMar County, Alabama. I remember - well, in twelve hours you can get in a car and drive twelve hours straight and be right at the county seat. In twelve hours. And it taken us all spring and got there at Austin, Texas, too late to make a crop. Come through in a wagon though. I worked for a man who run a store down there. He was from Mississippi down there, and he could make a round trip in a day - twenty-five miles. Just as fast as any mule I ever saw. He would make me--and I was hired on and could make that twenty-five miles with mule team or horse team. (not clear)

And father went down there, like he'd go today-- He'd go to Howe Creek, that's about ten miles, and camp. And get up the next morning and go on to Columbus and buy what he was goin' buy and-and come on out, back to Howe Creek and camp again. He'd take this old wooden pail like these big cakes of cheese used to come in, bread and stuff and meat. Old man would make coffee. We kids didn't drink coffee. We drink milk. I remember we used to ever morning. I was just about sixteen and me and my cousin would milk that old muley cow. (Well, that's one thing we always had, I don't like whipped cream today. Papa always had a lot of cows. We had an old cream separator. Boy, the food was rich, lots of cream. I guess I just got burned out on it when I was little. Well, from 1906, there's been a lot of changes since that time.)

Why, yes, they's been...

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(Were there a lot of Choctaws around here then?)

Yes, I come from Texas, and I come in on the river here and I was raised over here. I never had much house. --house is the first house I lived in in Indian Territory, that's the first house. Down here at Oberlin, I was just across