

they crossed where we crossed. And the trail comes through there and the big tree stands on side of the trail and had a big picture of an owl head painted. That's the reason they call it "Owl Head Creek." That was eighty or ninety years ago.

(Who painted?)

That chief medicine man, Dauhaide. Before they surrendered and gave the Indians the reservation. When they was going through from the north, way up in Montana, goin' through to Old Mexico. And they marked that tree for a path going back.

(Did you ever see that tree?)

Yeah, I saw it. It stood there a long time till it finally rotted down. It was large tree about that big around, (about four feet) and shady. And people camped there. Those travelers camped there and eat their dinner and camp overnight where that old Owl Head was.

(Well, did this medicine man, Dauhaide, did he paint that on there?)

Yeah, he carved it on the tree and then painted it. Carved it out with a hatchet or a tomahawk. Took the bark off and the skin and then he left an open place. It was about that big, BIG! (It was about a foot and a half) Yeah, the tree was about that big and it just-- You could see it a long ways. And that's the reason everybody called it "Owl Head Creek." Then they after the country opened up to the prospectors and early times changed it to Jimmy Creek, because my father was the first man to live on it. And they call it Jimmy Creek (for Jimmy Quoetone). You saw that sign on the creek, Jimmy Creek? But originally the name among the Indians was "Owl Head Creek". It was still there in 1908. Then after it disappeared my uncle copied it. After the original tree