

Mr. Oaks: It's not far out there. Go mile and half east -

Mrs. Oaks: Yes. Go mile and half east and then there's a sign there that says Rose Hill. Lots of cedars in the pasture around it and then the burial ground there.

Mr. Oaks: That was his own plantation - he had a big - Harley said he had 500 slaves down there.

Mrs. Oaks: There are slaves buried down there, certain areas.

(You were talking about, a while ago, about your allotment papers burning, didn't you?)

Mr. Oaks: Yes, we had a fire in 1916 - no, 1918.

(Well, near Oberlin, I talked with an 84 year old negro and he had the Freedman's certificate. And he said that his mother and father were freed right after- out there by that Lake West Farm. And I asked if they were on the roll. He said, No, they were not on the roll but he and his sisters got 20 acres of land. And this man's name was Garfield Shoals. And he and his wife still live on their 20 acres.

Mr. Oaks: I think they got forty acres, I believe it was.

(Well, he said it was the equivalent of \$120.00 at that time. And he said, depending on the value of the land. If it was good land - and evidently that bottom land he got - he's right there on the creek, and not but five or six miles from Red River.)

Mr. Oaks: Yeah. If he was around that Oberlin lake he wasn't very far from the river.

(Red River? Uh-huh. But that's where he is. But I guess the land he got at 20 acres is the best land, because he said other people who got land back up in the hills or the mountains should get more - some of 'em got more land, you know.)

Mr. Oaks: Most of the land was valued about \$5.00 per acre - it depended on the appraised value of the land.

Mrs. Oaks: Now some of that land value will run over \$300 per acre. Somebody sold 200 acres not too long ago over there in the bottom and got \$300 an acre for it.

(Was that \$1005 - was that value for every Indian on the roll?)

Mr. Oaks: Yeah. I think so.

(At about - at about the date they made the allotment)

Mr. Oaks: I've got 210 acres - no I've got -