

Oh, no. Not too much. Now Lawrence and Marty used to credit people. They'd have--

(There in Tahlequah?)

Yeah. I remember my old man got \$25.00 one time. That's the biggest ever I knowed him to make. I was kinda hard-headed and tell him what he supposed to do and he was kinda dilitary and he wasn't interested like I was. I wasn't for going into debt. And one time he got \$25.00 of that Lawrence money. That was the biggest debt we ever owed. I didn't believe in making a debt. Stay home and do without.

(What kind of money did they use in those early days. Did they have greenback like we have now?)

As far as I know, just like we do now, paper money and gold.

(Gold coin too?)

They used to have gold.

(Well, your daddy was an economical man then? He saved his money?)

HOW FATHER LEARNED WHICH GREENS TO CUT FROM OLD ROSE THE COW

Yes. He really saved his money. But we had plenty to eat. Better eats than now. We had meat, bread, turnips and taters and kraut and pickles.

Always had cows to give us plenty of milk. A big livin' to what we have now.

He was an old Irishman, and grandma was Indian and Dutch. And he liked an old cow he called Rose. He'd turn old Rose out in the morning. Get him a bucket and a knife and he'd follow Rose. Whatever Rose would pick, he'd pick. He'd get good greens. (Laughter). I've laughed about many times.

(That's one way to learn how to pick greens, isn't it? Whatever cow eats--)

That's right. He said "Anything that Rose would pick was good greens." She wouldn't pick poison greens. I know we'd laugh at grand-dad. He loved greens better than anybody I ever saw in my life. I've picked and cooked many