

He recalls the old settlement at Cosby's Mill on the Verdigris River which was also a trading center in early days, but has not disappeared. A trading post was established there by a part Delaware Indian by the name of Ross Kohli sometime in the 1870s, and was a trading center for Delawares and Shawnees who lived along the river.

Old time burial places in the area were for the most part family cemeteries. As time progressed many of these small cemeteries have been obliterated when all of the family was present or moved away and left to brush and tree growth, workers removed all ground plowed up. Some old and maintained cemeteries do still exist such as at Carcolary, Long Prairie, Ironsides, etc.

Early day Indian doctors were highly respected and depended upon to treat the sick and injured. He passes on a treatment for severe vomiting from his father, wherein he uses the scraped inner bark from a peach tree limb. He has used with success for treatment of snakebite and a mixture of hog grease and ball bluing. He also uses Indian turnip learned from his father for treatment of distemper in horses.

He tells of being in a cyclone when a small boy. The family then lived in a log house. Trees all around his home were uprooted and blown down but their home was not damaged. His father had to race the doors with heavy timber to keep them from being blown in. They were very fortunate as the storm narrowly missed their herd of cattle.