

Well, it ain't changed too much. Yeah, they used to haul when that store's here at Tahlequah, they used to haul freight stuff they sold here at Tahlequah on wagons to Fort Gibson. Come in on that railroad that come north and south. Now it runs east and west. I don't know what railroad they call it, I know, but I forgot.

(The Ozark Central, I believe. Wasn't it?)

I don't remember. I knowed it, what railroad it was, but I've just forgot. It's been, that's the oldest railroad in the state. No, it ain't, the Katy railroad goes through Muskogee up through Pryor north. That's the oldest 'un in there. That other one, I guess. Well, the Kansas City Southern's been - I can remember when they built it. Yeah, I never had saw a train. My dad used to go to Siloam Spring to trade. He'd go in a wagon, he'd go one day and come back the next. When they got it built to come in from the north. Got it built there about Pryor and trains come in there. He kept me with him and we camped right close to where the depot was. That's the first train I ever saw. That's been long years ago. This Frisco. I was pretty near grown when they put it in.

TIMBER AND LUMBER AND CROSSTIES

(As soon as they got all the timber out, then they took the railroad out?)

Yes. They haul lot of timber out of here to cure it, everywhere close by, in wagons. Haul lumber and ties, they's worlds of crossties.

(What were the main kind of trees that they cut for lumber?)

Ah, they just cut everthing. When they commence, they wouldn't buy nothin' but hardwood, red oak and white oak, but got where they just cut everything.

(Do you have any walnuts left in the country?)