

time, I just quit. I jest went up the grades, eighth grade so I jest quit.

MORE ABOUT ROCKY FORD SCHOOL

(Well this one here, they always called this school Rocky Ford School?)

Well, they jest this place here right cross the creek, they call it Rocky Ford School.

(Well did they have a name for this old school up here?)

No they didn't. I guess mostly they jest went by the Church name. That's what they done. But down here it Rocky Ford.

(And this was the school for all the Indians here in here)

Yes. Indians and whites. Oh it not too long ago, they built this school house right up here and was jest for the Indians. So that time, they wasn't too many children to go to school there. And so at that time that school was goin' on over here too. So they just all went together then. I guess they turn it over to the district y'know so they whites goin over there and Indians and whites go together.

AT ONE TIME ALL THE LAND IN ROCKY FORD COMMUNITY WAS OWNED BY INDIANS

(Back in those early days when you was going to school, they used to have those meetings down here. Talk about their problems and the community life here.)

Yeah. All gone now.

(Yeah, all the old generation's gone. But at one time nearly all this land was owned by Indians.)

Yeah. Uh-huh.

(Is is still owned by mostly Indians?)

Well, them people, right west of the Church House here that's the only Indian. He's got a acre. That's where that school was y'know.