

Mrs. West: They had a bank.

Hurt West: And a mercantile business--

Mrs. West: And, well he carried everything. Ever thing. And they had two drug stores, two or three hotels. Now what he was talkin' 'bout he couldn't find that was on them string a cards that was 'bout that high, 'bout that long. Had a lumber yard and a cotton gin and--

well they was three or four hotels, I guess, three hotesl I guess or four hotels and they had three Churches and we've had high as two hundred over there in Sunday School and Church at the Methodist Church over there when we first moved here from the country. We had a good little town. There was two drug stores, two drug stores here, we've had two Doctors--maybe three Doctors. It was a good little town and the depot down here, why they had two operators and I don't know how many freight rustlers they had, they done good business.

(Let's see. The two railroads were the Katy and Iron Mountain?)

Mrs. West: No it's M.O & G. The M.O & G and that Iron Mountain.

(Missouri Pacific and the Iron Mountain.)

Mrs. West: Missouri Pacific and that's all the same. The Iron Mountain. It was a good town, it was--

(Had the Verdigris River changed much as you remember it from the early days?)

Mrs. West: Well only the falls down there, I can't tell any difference in it.

(Where was the falls located from the bridge down here?)

Mrs. West: Huh?

(Where was the falls located?)

Mrs. West: Right below the bridge, right below the wagon bridge you know, right below there. It's a little 'ole falls there yet, but not very much.

(There was at one time--)

Mrs. West: One time a good falls there, oh it was up higher than that.

(And then just through the years it has all changed.)