

Mrs. West: Well, they wasn't--

George West: Wasn't much, she didn't have much.

Mrs. West: Well, there wasn't very much. They's jest two subscription schools, now that's all I ever went to till I went to Tahlequah a couple a years and then I went to Ft. Gibson and I's--Here's sumpin' I--

BAD TREATMENT BY THE SOLDIERS DURING THE CIVIL WAR

(Let's see, Frank N. Smith that was your grandfather, joined the Confederacy in the Civil War and he was captured by the Union soldiers in the early part of the war. He was given privilege of going to work for the government or be taken a prisoner of war.)

Mrs. West: (not clear) shoes he said and he said that he wore one shoe number 11 and one 14.

George West: He drove government team for frieght for four years.

(Drove a six mule team across Grand River at Ft. Gibson on the ice, for a month or so during the bad part of the winter.)

Mrs. West: Papa had what he called a ledger, oh it was 'bout that long and about that thick. Was his father's and my oldest brother come in and got that one day and taken it to town with him, he wanted to look at it or somethin' and you know his house burnt up, burnt that book up. His father had died and he had a mother and four sisters, he was jest fourteen years old. Grandmother family was robbed during that war.

(During the Civil War?)

Mrs. West: During the Civil War. She was robbed twice.

(The soldiers?)

Mrs. West: Uh-huh. The Yankees. And my grandfather he died jest before--

Hurt West: He died in '62 and (not clear).

Mrs. West: The soldiers came to grandmother's house and killed seven milk cows and she said. And they jest cut the hearts out, taken the hearts and set the house afire and one of his sisters he said, had on a little strand of beads and said one of the soldiers come up to her and jerked 'em off and