

Mrs. West: Yes he does.

(What was his mother's name?)

Mrs. West: Now let's see.

(What was the District Court House for the Illinois District in Indian Territory days?)

George West: I don't know unless it's Tahlequah.

Hurt West: It's right down here about three miles when grandpa was getting them permits in the Illinois District. He got it in Tahlequah, I don't know whether--might a got 'em at the Capital building over there. The old Capital. Old Manard, knows a lot about that.

(Well that was also a meeting place on in that area for the Indian gatherings I've heard too.)

Hurt West: Yeah, well that's where papa was born right there on Bayou Manard. I don't know where your daddy, he just not been born, he must a been born in Alabama wasn't he?

George West: Yes, I think so.

Hurt West: (not clear) Seminary over there?

(It was Bill Ballantine.)

Hurt West: Bill Ballantine.

Mrs. West: Did you know Mr. Ballantine?

(What was your water supply in those early days down in here?)

Hurt West: Creek.

(Just a creek.)

Hurt West: Springs.

Hurt West and Mrs. West: Springs. Wells.

Hurt West: Right down there at that old home place where mama and them were born, most of 'em, there's that old dug well there. It's really deep too.

Mrs. West: Uh we had a cistern.

Hurt West: They used to be springs over here about a mile or so, they was springs all over that country.