## CHELSEA WAS JUST A SMALL PLACE - THERE WERE NO WELL TRAVELLED ROADS

(How old a place is Chelsea here?)

Well I don't know. It first opened up down here in this little old knoll some place.

(Yeah, south of town.)

Had a different name. Had no (words not clear)

(You watched it grow then didn't you?)

Yes. I wasn't around here very much. You see we hardly ever come to town.

(Yeah)

I tell you a man give you some information on Chelsea. That's Homer Bird.

(Homer Bird)

Yeah.

(When you'd go someplace, you just go out across the prairie then. When you was

a young fellow

Yeah.

(No roads)

Just trails.

(Just trails. Well. Did you ever get lost?)

Well not many times. We usually went by horseback". And the horses take us back home.

(Horses smart enough to take you home.)

Well I've been laid up here about six months.

Have you ever had the shingles? A

(words not clear)

(What was Dog Town school like?)

Well it was just an old frame building. An old blacksmith lived near there.

And he had a bunch of hounds. And that's how come they named it Dog Town.