

(You know there's one chief, Lewis Downing.)

Lewis Downing.

(Yeah you know at one time he used to be chief long time ago.)

Yeah. I never heard of that. Used to be Wash Swimmer chief.

IN EARLY DAYS, WINTERS SEEMED MORE SEVERE

(Yeah. Did you have bad winters when you were young fellow.)

Bad weather.

(Yeah, in the wintertime was it lots of snow?)

Oh yeah. We had bad time, bad weather than coming through here now.

(Yeah)

Yeah bad weather. Some time the snow would be knee-deep.

(Well)

My mother used to say, I was about pretty near one year old they says. One February. Right at my birthday. Come a big snow you know. Said that snow got four feet deep.

(Well)

And people traveling by horseback you know. The horses be, backs can be seen in the snow. That's the way they would be, you know. Couldn't run. Just like they going leap. They made holes in the snow. I guess the knowed they couldn't last long.

(No they couldn't last long.)

Yeah they--

(They catch him right quick.)

Yeah they--boy it was terrible wasn't it?

(Yeah that must have been bad weather.)

Yeah must have been. That was in February.

(Yeah)

I thought they was going to have one this winter.

(Looks like it.)