

was a great high-prairie as far as the eye could see. No places where grass was as high as a horse's back. All the best trees were over by the river. She rode in the first car of a long train loaded with timber belonging to the McMillan Lumber Company. Coyote hunting with dogs was a sport very popular. Her father would go out every direction from their house to shoot or trap. Jackal is chasing with dogs was also a favorite sport. It was impossible to change so much as, heavy grazing and burning. A portion of the land still stands, though scarce 2 miles. The soil covered with rocks and boulders and iron in the ditch banks. No game birds of any kind are to be seen anywhere. Her mother used to catch a dozen or more for pigeons so quick in her gun. The last bird of the species in town is now extinct, b. 1880. The one in 1883. No birds seem to be now robots as in old times. In 1883, there is no game to eat. Her father used to hunt wild turkeys in the foothills of the mountains. Century-old turkeys used to be sold at a price for people to identify them living, as in the days of yore, as the "I. O. F. P. Coon-skin Turkey", etc., etc. The country is large to hunt, if necessary.

She remembers that she saw some Indians who were hunting in those days. Among them were Blue Tomah, Bert Christie, and Tom Davis. The mountain adjoining Bull Run is known as Devil Mountain. There is a man in the area, Mr. Davis lived there. Blue foreman of the coal mine in the west of where Fortified House Bridge is now. Bert Harrison, a Indian or Indian who had a cabin. Bert Davis is the Indian who gave only the name of Randolph thru a leak in his house. His house collapsed the day after it rains up in a coal scuttle. He died in a house. Early society did not easily forgive or forgive crime's committed, and those guilty were usually "marked" forever in some way. Bert Davis died in bed, in his old age, living a short time.

The towns of North and South Bull Run had houses built above their home or rock in barren rock or hills. The houses were surrounded to draw water from a broken rock or stone of the hill, which was then carried down the hill. A lot of work was required, practiced even in those early 1880s, at the rock cut mountain running, the rock being piled up like pillars on one side. The old ways of construction were left to rest. Buildings in those days were simple. Yet neighbors were always ready to help each other.

Ace Royall built up his first store about 1880-1881. The town of Royall, and Bull Run are alike. A lot of coal here. A coal & West supply company. Early stages of industry. Great Royall & West Store handled all kinds of goods. Ice to suffice and lots of it to be stored. After a while he built an ice house, with thick walls filled with straw. Ice was delivered by way of the railroad. A cut house out office established in Royall store.

Around 1890 there were many wild hogs around the country and in the river bottoms. They had no owners and would be rounded up and butchered in the fall of the year. She says her father tried to keep some in a pen and fatten them, but they would not eat, so he had to leave them loose.