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Interviews with the following:
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W.J.Nicholson - 501 North Santa Fe, Tulsa
Andy Stokes - County Clerk, Tulsa County.

HOME AND ROAD BRANDS OF EARLY DAY AND
LATER DAY RANCHES
(Tulsa and vicinity)

The "Mashed-O" (O)

The "Three-D" (3-D)

Thompson Brothers--"Half Circle U" (U)

Charlie Clinton-"Half Circle S" (S)

Mose Perryman-"Figure 5" (5)

Sanger Brothers-"Spike S" (S)

Pierce-Forsythe-"Bar S Bar" (-S-)

They also bought the Hogan Ranch and used the home brand "Bar-H-Bar" (-H-)

Miller Brothers-"The IX" (IX)

George Perryman-"(P) (P)

Chapman-Barnard-"Hat Brand" (—⌒—)

R. M. McFarlin used this brand in the early days on his ranch in southern Oklahoma. (—⌒—)

The Daugherty and Crane and Laimer ranches bought up great herds just for grazing and fattening purposes.

These herds already had their road brands and since they were for quick turnover sale, no home brand was given.

The Yeargin and Appleby ranches -- combination A and Y brand (AY)
These ranches joined the families related by marriage.

The method employed by early day ranchers was to give their cattle home brands and road or trail brands. Ranchers who raised their own cattle had their home brand. This was also used on the cattle they bought for feeding purposes unless it was for a quick turnover. Then only the road or trail brand was used. The road or trail brand was put on cattle when they were ready for shipment. This was especially necessary in the days when cattle were sent over trails to market -- the Chisholm Trail days. The road brand indicated that they were on the way to market. W. J. Nicholson, 501 North Santa Fe, Tulsa, "Round-Up" man on the Chisholm

Trail from 1880-1893.

Two Tulsans, Mrs. Mollie L. King and John H. Worde recently filed cattle brands with Andy Stokes, county clerk. To show the modern style Mrs. King's brand is a "K" on the animal's left jaw, while Worde will use "TW" brand on the right hip of his cattle. There are 39 cattle brands recorded in the clerk's office, the majority recorded in 1908 and 1909. Cattle industry gave way to farming and oil after that time.

Usually cattlemen use their initials for branding marks. The Sand Springs Home had used the brand "SS". The Home, November 21, 1918, changed the brand to "double S bar" by adding a bar below the previous brand of "SS" -- (SS).

It costs one dollar to record your brand. The person who files the brand has the exclusive right to its use in the county where it is recorded. A

cattleman can file his brand ~~in~~ any county where he thinks his cattle may stray. Brands cannot be legally duplicated. If duplicate brands appear, the clerk and county commissioners serve as a board to arbitrate the dispute. If a brand is discarded the fact is advertised for three weeks by the clerk who then cancels it. Oklahoma laws hold that the brand on any animal is evidence of ownership of the person whose brand it is. Cattle copyrighting is a serious business to those who would attempt to forge or alter a brand. The penalty for this is 10 years' imprisonment and a $500.00 fine.

W. M. McCullough, 1748 West 37th, a pioneer Tulsa Sheriff, was foreman of the Pierce-Forsythe ranch from 1893-1900.

SOME CATTLE BRANDS ON RECORD
TULSA COUNTY.

Following are some of the cattle brands recorded in the Tulsa County Clerk's office. In interviews

with old time ranchers, I showed them these recorded brands. They said they were for the most part old road brands. They interpreted some of them as follows:

"Cross Bar"-- (±)
"E Bar"-- (E-)
"V Bar"-- (V)
"Circle P"-- (Ⓟ)
"Figure 4"-- (4)
"Double ZZ"-- (Z Z)
"Bar Heart"-- (- ♡)
"Bar P"-- (P)
"Bar U"-- (U)
"Circle D"-- (Ⓓ)
"Flying M"-- (M)

Other recorded brands: H- ; ⊓⊔ ; + ; ∃ ; ⊓ ; H ; Ⓔ ; etc.