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Nettie Cain,  
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Interview With Ester Ferguson Calvin,

Mrs. Calvin was born September 19, 1874, near Mountain View, Arkansas, and moved to the Indian Territory with her husband and two children in 1895. They came in a covered wagon and drove four milch cows behind the wagon. They located about half way between Atwood, then Newburg, and Calvin. The Rock Island railroad was under construction at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin conducted a truck farm. They sold their produce to J. W. Hundley who with his wife was boarding the right-of-way gang.

A cotton gin was located at old Newburg. Mr. Calvin did all of his trading at Atoka and when he went to Atoka he would bring back wagon loads of supplies for the other settlers.

Miss Edna Hundley, now Anglin, was the first white child born in Calvin and the daughter of J. W. Hundley. She is still living in Calvin.

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There were very few school buildings at this time and mostly subscription schools. At one school known as Leader, Miss Lum Hardrick was the teacher. At Buck Horn, another school, three and one-half miles southeast of Atwood, Miss Beulah Willbanks was teacher. The school was later named Beulah after this teacher.

Mrs. Calvin boarded one teacher who paid her \$8.00 per month for room and board. The two Calvin children went to school and paid \$1.00 each tuition each month.

Cal Edmond was a United States Marshal, and later one of Hughes County's first sheriffs.