

Shooting Log

Title: GDI "Our Life"

Camera Operator:

Camera: Cam A-1

Date: June 2000

Location: Crescent Lake

Interview: Victoria Demontgny

0:31:23 "Victoria Demontgny (interview)."
"Ste. Madeleine, 1930."

0:31:40 "I have three kids – three girls, six grandchildren, five great Grandchildren."

0:31:55 "We lived in a place called the corner."
0:32:05 "We lived in a log shack that we built."
0:32:11 "We worked all over for farmers, picking roots, picking stones, stooking and thrashing."
0:32:20 "In winter we cut cord wood."
0:32:29 "We trapped, both of us, rats, beavers."
0:32:46 "We stayed in a tent all winter."
0:32:55 "It was quite a ways from where we lived, it was a long ways from where we lived. That's why we stayed in a tent."
0:33:01 "We walked, we had horses, but there was no place to keep them out there where we were trapping."
0:33:18 "We lived good, we suffered a bit, but..."
0:33:31 "We ate bannock, lard, teas and whatever we killed – rabbits, partridge, prairie chickens."
0:33:41 "We ate mud hen eggs and duck eggs."
0:33:57 "We canned everything, saskatoons, all kinds of berries, meat too. That's the only way we had to keep it."
0:34:14 "We dried some rabbits. I dried all kinds of things for the winter, that's the only way we could keep it."
0:34:27 "We used to hang our meat down in the well."
0:34:43 "I never went to school. My husband went to grade four. I can't read. My husband reads."
0:35:16 "Oh yeah, we danced a lot. We walked all over to go to a dance. We danced for about a month till New Years Day."
0:35:44 "We lived close to a reserve. One side was a reserve, one side the Métis. We got along good."
0:36:13 "I worked at bingos, the only way I could make a bit of money, working bingos."
0:36:27 "I cook, and sell things that I cook to make a bit of money."
0:36:35 "My husband worked in 1974."
0:36:44 "Then he got sick."
0:36:53 "I'm not so strong anymore. I can't do too much. I still do my own work."
0:37:03 "I live in an apartment in Yorkton."

- 0:37:10 "I don't have a car. My son-in-law takes us all over and my daughters, they have cars them."
- 0:37:30 "We don't suffer anymore."
- 0:37:40 "Back where we come from, there's nobody there right now. One of my brother and sister lives out there; they're the only ones left."
- 0:38:09 "Oh we're doing all right now. We don't have to suffer, we don't have to haul our own wood. We used to carry wood on our backs."
- 0:38:23 "We worked hard."
- 0:38:30 "All summer we worked, all winter we trapped."
- 0:38:40 "Trapped, cut wood and posts."
- 0:39:00 "We never got sick; we were devils. I guess staying outside, staying in a tent all winter, never got sick."
- 0:39:14 "We used homemade medicine, skunk loins."
- 0:39:44 "We used dough as well, when there was pus, it would draw it all out. They cured themselves long time ago. They never went to a hospital; they cured themselves."
- 0:40:02 "I was born in a house in Binscarth Valley, place called Silver Creek. My kids were all born in Russell."
- 0:40:30 "Thank you."