

During the early part of June, 1978 I was contacted by two different people telling me of a man who lived at the base of Cooper Mountain in south central Washington County. This man, apparently just bubbling over with stories of his life, neighbors, and the community at large, and wanting the stories to be told after his lifetime, intended on writing them down in book form. Finding this difficult to do, and having heard of the oral history program at the museum, he decided it would be much better to tell the story orally.

Therefore, on June 22 and 23, 1978, I took the Tri Met bus from the museum east out the Tualatin Valley Highway and got off at 209th, whereupon I walked south down to McInnis Road and the home of Don McInnis.

The interview was most successful. Mr McInnis told about the events of his 78 years around Cooper Mountain, Hazeldale, and Reedville. (Refer to index for a more complete summary of the information on the tape). During the second half-hour of the interview of couple of old-time friends and Reedville residents, Oscar Pierson and his sister Clara, came by and contributed stories.

During the approximately 150 minutes of recorded interview, a tremendous number of topics were discussed and touched upon to make this oral history both informative and enjoyable.

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DON McINNIS

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40-50 Threshing, machinery and crews. Jigging sacks, sewing sacks, various kinds of jobs on the threshing crew.

50-60 Twenty-five years sewing sacks in a feedmill. Threshing bees.

60-70 Adrian Dant and his threshing machine. Charles Inlay. Miscellaneous comments.

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0-10 Working in a Feedmill. Big storage bins. Grinding and mixing grains for cattle feed.

10-20 The operation of a feedmill. The Reedville Dairy.

20-30 Hauling milk. Depression times.

30-40 Political events and people's attitudes toward them. World War I and the effect on the community. Concluding remarks.