

Interview with Mrs. Marge Harwood and Mrs. Nellie Hadfield at the Waterton School Reunion.
3 June, 1995. Interviewer: Leslie Robertson.

Time: Tape 1-Side A: 40 mins.

Topic of Interview

Two early residents of Waterton reminisce about local characters and adventures together. Harwood taught at St. Paul's School on the Blood Reserve before moving to Waterton.

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Footage

Subject

- 004 **(Harwood)**
 - married to Steve Harwood, moved to WLNP 1932.
 - taught at St Pauls residential School Blood Reserve.
 - came West from Ontario to teach at age 18.
 anecdote: arrival in the West - mistook Hutterites for Mormons.
- 022 Waterton Park
 - brought Kainai girls out for one month in the Summer.
 - Parks took girls on tours / picnics - Steve Harwood driver.
- 027 Roads - Winter.
- 032 St Pauls girls aged 16 - 18 in the Park for 2 months.
 - teachers and holidays.
 - activities - hikes, berry-picking, swimming, tennis.
 - good berry patch south side of golf course.
- 047 anecdote: saw girls above her on the hill - turned around and saw a bear next to her.
- 056 **(Hadfield)**
 - came to the Park at age 7 for the Summer.
 - Mother and father (Elanora and Cal Hunter) ran the restaurant on the Gertrude.
 - came to Park because of "patch" on Nellie's Lungs - elevation good.
 - moved from Lethbridge.
 - lived on Pincher Creek Avenue - below POW along lakeshore.
 - living in tents - parents rented out other tents, Father had a few row boats for rent.
 - mother baked bread in tent on wood stove.
- 088 **(Harwood)**
 John George (Ski) Prosser
 - description of - nails in overcoat instead of buttons, overalls split up to knees.
 - extracted timber from Akamina / Oil City.

- (Hadfield)**
- worked with horses.
- new pair of overalls when he got married.
- 106 **(Harwood)**
Carl Danielson
- lived next to Kilmorey - where first school was conducted.
- wore long underwear until it wore out.
- 112 **(Hadfield)**
Windy Ward
- 1928 - 29 - lived in shed approx. 6 feet long and about table width with two storeys - top story was a canvas " porch."
- a real talker.
- 134 **(Harwood)**
"Lord" Brooke
- well educated, wore a fringed jacket, big hat and goatee.
- Remittance man.
- 143 **(Hadfield)**
Jack Pittaway
- served in Military in India - waxed moustache.
- lived next door to Hunters.
anecdote: wife hitting Jack over head with a frying pan.
- three sons - wife scrubbing woollen underwear each night.
- 163 Major Schuff?
- parked his vehicle on the bridge by Cameron Falls and told stories to tourists.
- from Lethbridge.
- 171 **(Harwood)**
Waterton Park weather
- roads and snow removal - hard packed paths.
- deer on snow drifts.
- Chinooks - skated to school.
- 191 **(Hadfield)**
- Skating to Head of Lake - against wind, stayed overnight - skated back against wind.
- 197 **(Harwood)**
- snow up to telephone wires - walking over cottages on the Lakeshore completely covered.
- 205 Adventures
- picking huckleberries above the summit of Cameron Lake in burn area, Grizzly

- sow and two cubs, used Nellie's husband as shield, sow charged.
- with Isabelle Middleton and children - encountering a moose, children beating on berry pails , just attracted it more.
- 258 - house under Akamina Rd. - bobcats on doorstep.
anecdote: standoff between a skunk and a bear over the garbage - skunk won.
- 273 **(Hadfield)**
Hunter's Camp at Cameron lake
- rented tents and fishing boats.
- Cal had a motor boat to fetch snow from south end of Lake for refrigerating the food.
- Nellie worked there every Sunday helped her mother with cooking.
"Lonesomest place in the world when everybody'd gone. I said I wouldn't live there for anything and my mother just loved it."
- 288 Dance Hall
- Mart Kenny Orchestra - also played Lake Louise and Royal York - Toronto.
- 302 Medicine
- not much illness.
- Alf Baker broken leg.
(Harwood)
- Bob Dickson's lost daughter to pneumonia.
- nurses in town - Mrs. Bella Cornell, Mrs. Wright, Con Holroyd.
- doctor from Cardston in on snowmobile to deliver baby.
- 347 anecdote: Cooper from Cardston 1950 - 51 - bringing groceries - walked ahead of snowmobile then drove a ways, then walked ...
- 354 **(Hadfield)**
Theresa Strate - worked for Elenora Hunter on the Gertrude.
- memory: water snake hit Nellie on the back of the leg.
(Harwood)
Pop Harwood given medal and other memorabilia of Kootenai Brown's.
- 402 **(Hadfield)**
Nichemoose
- 407 Charlie Wise
anecdote: Christmas visiting around town with a bottle - Hadfield's had an owl clock with moving eyes. He took one look at the clock and declined another drink.

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