

**Ann Smith: Three Mile Radius**

My granddaddy moved from there to Lynnville and from Lynnville he moved to where Louise Scott lives. He rented that house here in Elkton, and then after about a couple of years he bought the farm that I grew up on, after we moved here when I was about seven, well about six years old. I guess I was probably about nine when we moved in the house on the farm that my granddaddy had bought. I lived there then until I got married when I was seventeen. And I've lived the rest of my life within a three mile radius of where I grew up. . . I don't remember a lot, what the town looked like, because we did not get to go very much. We had a car, but we worked all the time. Daddy was a farmer, he worked all day long in the field and he would milk cows and we just didn't go a lot. So I don't really remember when I moved here, exactly what the town looked like.

**Ann Smith: Life on the Farm**

Daddy rented most of the land and he worked when he was raising cotton and corn. When we moved in the first house that we lived in in Elkton, I remember picking cotton, but he didn't have a tractor at that time. So I'm sure that he planted a field of cotton with horses.

ECS: Probably mules or horses.

AS: Or mules, yes. But our, I do remember picking cotton there and I remember catching the school bus. I remember our little dog getting on the school bus. He thought he was going to school with us. [laughter] I remember shucking corn and shelling corn for the chickens. We shelled, we had a garden; we shelled beans, and broke beans, and shucked corn. . . We lived off of fresh vegetables in the summer time. And my mother would can enough that we ate off of them all winter. We shelled dried beans and we. . . Daddy took corn and took it to a mill and had it ground. About the only things we bought was flour and sugar and coffee and tea.