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Interview with Roy D. Montgomery Hominy, Oklahoma

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Roy D. Montgomery was born in the Territory in 1886, on a farm near Checotah. His parents had moved from Kansas in 1884; they came down in a covered wagon bringing only household goods, camping equipment and food supplies.

Leasing a raw piece of land they camped till a log house was under construction. Soon they began breaking the land, using two yoke of oxen and a left hand turn plow. There was twenty-five or thirty acres broken the first year which was mostly planted in corn.

The first plows used were home made Georgia Stocks and double showels. Very soon they got a pin-break cultivator which was very useful to them. They used it on all the farms. Fort Smith was their market. They made a trip there about once a month for miscellaneous supplies. One of the first stores was operated by La Fayette. He had a general store and bought cotton. Allie Gilliland was his cotton buyer. Campbell Russell was the first breeder of white-faced cattle in that country at that time. He was