

ELMER FLODIN

Dry Ridge; b. 1899

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Side A

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Johanneson Brothers. Wild Davey. Holes in the hotel sign from shooting of Marshall Hays.

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Joe Wells chased by Hays, was sorry he didn't have chance to kill Hays. Joe and Chuck Wells were very well liked. Chuck's strength in logging; he broke peavey handles.

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The Olson brothers thrashing outfit did high quality work, the best in the country. Oscar's skill and his death. Combines end thrashing outfits. Carl quits school.

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Nitrate robs the soil. Rotating with red clover yields good crops.

Side B

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Erosion of the deep, rich soil. Plowing fourteen inches down. Chiselling eighteen inches down once every three years kept moisture in the ground. Fertilizer comes in the fifties. Decline of land with fertilizing.

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Cutting of timber ruined water flow in creeks. Timber won't grow back with cat logging methods. Potlatch logged just to get all the timber they could. Horse logging didn't damage the timber. State and federal governments are to be blamed for letting Potlatch get away with it. Reduction of summer range *due to heat.*

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Indians took better care of country than we did. Indian burning of country was widespread - grass fires. Ways of improving soil now.

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Dry Ridge Cemetery is beautiful. Outsiders choose to be buried there. Loss of record of burial of some people; a burial that hit another grave. It takes four men all day to dig through the hard soil; using dynamite to start digging. Seeing outline of graves in summer from gases.

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Frank Brocke was best banker Troy ever had.

with Sam Schrager

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