

Rosebud - 66 years  
ago - by D. A. Fourny

in the fall of 1888.

When I was a lad of 16 -  
father & mother moved  
to Rosebud.

4 years before there was  
a store here.

Cedar Spring (Valasca  
then) had a store &  
old - what we call a  
tinny gin. a cross  
the Road from the  
Prescott School.

The men would tramp  
the Press full of Lint  
Cotton. there was a  
beam attached to  
Press - under belt -  
and a mule would  
go Round & Round

2d

Like a Sarghson  
Mill. Until the Cotton  
was Pressed.

there was a gin at  
Wilderville Run by  
Steam - a Dr Hole -  
a grocery store &  
Beer Joint.

We Picked Cotton  
for - old man Rick  
Harris. on the Palk  
farm mile west of  
Wilderville - We also  
Picked Cotton for  
fitty (Bill) Smith.  
on Cotton wood creek  
between Rosebud  
and Fang. (now  
traps) Lang  
School House

was on the Ridge  
east of Travis about  
3/4 mile ~~west~~  
father's Rented Land  
from Ben Grooby.  
1889 - (now the Spring  
Land east of Rosebud)  
Grooby had the first  
gin in Rosebud.

It was on Marine  
+ Rosebud Road near  
the Elderly Pachel  
Place.

There was no store  
in Rosebud. Just  
Post office + Black  
Sawd Shop. Owned  
by all the Taylors -  
There was a family  
lived in the Pachel

City Forest - the  
galls - Ben Grooby.  
F. A. Grooby - Tom  
Pantons - John  
Gaskin - Fred  
Grooby, Mr. Mollens  
Jim Gott -

They were wild Turkey  
Deer. Black bears  
Wolves + Wild Cat -  
I wish the boy of  
Rosebud just had  
the game we boys  
had then. Jess Howard  
and half Brother of  
mine, was hunting  
in Pond creek bottom  
a Deer jumped up +  
Both shot at him +  
Killed him -  
but never knew

5<sup>th</sup>  
which one killed  
him, both had old  
Zippo Muzzle Load  
Rifles any way they  
Divided 50-50.

We chased a wild  
cat one mile with  
horns until he got  
to Point creek bottom.  
The Rock coons was  
so thick every dog  
taken a coon trail  
& we lost track of  
the cat.

There is only one  
woman living that  
was here in 1888 that  
I remember. Mrs  
Marthy (Howard)  
Williams - George  
Williams wife

6<sup>th</sup>  
Miss Marthy lived  
with her Parents -  
Mr & Mrs J. P. Howard  
South of Rosebud -  
there is only 5 men  
with my self that  
lived here 1888 & 1890.  
Tom Gath - Dares  
Ferguson - Healey  
Watkins. Hall  
Stalswark -  
we moved from  
Rosebud in 91 - came  
back 99 and worked  
the - S. J. Slade Land  
The same we worked  
in 89. made 31 bale  
cotton - sold it at 8 cts  
made a crop on  
Thorn ton asberry  
Place 1900

7th

that was on Hogg  
Creek east of Tom  
Gallo's Present Home.  
and when the Brum  
Cattle Ranch is now  
I went to <sup>Sturgis</sup> Spear  
top oil field July 1904  
thru Beaumont. Saw  
Jake - and married  
Miss Emma M. Bud  
Sept 3d 1903. Moved  
back to Rowland 1904  
thru to the grove -  
and here I am now  
Wife & one Daughter.  
Living in 3 block  
of where I lived  
with my Parents. in  
1889 - 1899. and give  
god the Praise for my  
long life and good  
Home