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- Q. Were they running very often?
- A. No, sir. The roads were very bad and the trains very seldom got in.
- Q. How did you get your necessities of life in there, such as groceries?
- A. Sometimes we were without groceries - sometimes we would go with the teams down as far as the track and bring in our supplies.
- Q. How many miles from Coleman were you?
- A. Approximately 75 miles.
- Q. How far was it from the nearest city or town?
- A. 35 miles, sir.
- Q. Is that where you brought supplies from?
- A. No, sir. From Burmiss Alberta.
- Q. How many children did you have at that time?
- A. Three, sir.
- Q. Why did you take your wife there with you?
- A. The people I rented the house from in Coleman wanted to sell the house, and I needed my wife to cook for me and the men as I got some men.
- Q. How many men did you have in May of 1944?
- A. Five men, sir.
- Q. How many logs were you taking out per month?
- A. About 150,000 feet, sir.
- Q. I understood you to say you expected to get 9 dollars per thousand for your lumber. This 150,000 feet you took out monthly, did you get 9 dollars per thousand for them?
- A. No, sir. According to the contract we never hauled logs, they came and got them right off the skidways. I got 6½ dollars per thousand feet for them. Then I made another contract with them to bring the logs from the bush for which I would get 9 dollars per thousand feet for.
- Q. And did you?
- A. No, sir.
- Q. Why not?
- A. I was in the army.
- Q. How much extension did you get before you were ordered to report to the military authorities for service?
- A. I think, sir, I got my army call to report on the 8th of May on or near the last of April. I am not sure of the date but it was not long enough to get anything out of the bush.