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Interviewee: Harrison Locke

Interviewer: Nicole Smith

Project: Bracero Oral History Project

Location: Fargo, AR.

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Transcriber: _____

African-American farmer. No braceros on his farm but he remember them in tour on plantations. Machines just beginning to come in. became a principal of school, taught for a years. Taught 56-62. Remember 1st cotton picker. Describe conditions in farm. Discussing segregation. What's not picking as much cotton. Mercanization people out of the area to Midwestern cities. Rice area. Also stopped Mexican migrant worker. Discusses the importance of training. College as UA-PB. Workeron the farm as a kid. Father Abb Locke, mother Rubby Locke; 3 younger brothers. Late 1940's, early 1950's no machines. They had houses on the farm (mx) remember crew leader. Mx. would live on the farm, go to town on the weekends.

Length of interview 49 minutes

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