

**SUMMARY OF TAPE W114 INTERVIEW WITH VIRGINIA WEED AND  
DOROTHY LOMBARD**

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**Interviewer: Sandy Crain**

Side A of this tape discusses the Baehr family. William Baehr bought 1800 acres and built the Pine Valley Ranch in 1926. The architect was J. B. Benedict of Denver. The ranch was in the family until the mid-1950's when son, Bill Baehr, sold it to a group of physicians who used the ranch as a vacation retreat. Mr. Weingard was the next owner. He sold 1200 acres for development, and ran the ranch as a guest lodge. Jefferson County Open Space bought the ranch and much of the furnishings.

Side B tells of former President Eisenhower visiting the Swan family's ranch to go fishing. The Swans would have a big BBQ when Ike was visiting. There is a discussion about the Morgan's house. It was built in 1882 by a Judge Miller from Denver. Over the years, the house was sold, and was, for some years, a house of ill repute. Subsistence in the area for many years included logging. In 1937 the trains to Pine stopped running and the logging industry died.