

(Side B)

(In six months?)

Six months. That's what he said. That's what the law said. That book over there, but they can picture it any way they want to. You take a crooked lawyer, he can fix it any way he wants to, if he make it stand up if you got enough money.

(Yeah)

He can do anything. But by law you couldn't.

(Well, not too many Cherokees actually go down and get a license, do they? Hooley. Maybe some of the new, younger modern ones, but the old timer ones didn't used to, did they?)

Long years ago they didn't do that.

(They just go married. The Cherokees just--)

Maggie: They just get together, you know, and they want to make a home, that's it.

(And they considered themselves married, didn't they?)

Yeah, and it stood up in the court.

(If they stayed together at least six months.)

Six months. That's what he said. This was white fella I was talking to in Tahlequah. He went and got the books and read it to me.

Maggie: Just like the preacher on time say you know people that was sin, you know, and live together, go to bed together and one of 'em got up and spoke up. She said, "Well," she said, "All mothers and fathers and grandpas, she said, "I guess they're going to Hell then." "Every one of 'em not married." And they was Christian life when they died--(Laughter)

Well, I guess it is true, all right, one way.

(Well, that's not Indian law. That's white man's law, isn't it? Or rules, laws.)