

T-470-3 (Third of Four Interviews)

MARY D. GOURD, CHEROKEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: PEOPLE AND TOWNS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY; LIVING
CONDITIONS; CEMETERIES

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

FAMILY RELATIONS - ORIGIN - TRAIL OF TEARS

IMMIGRANT PAYMENT AT SALINE COURT HOUSE

ACTIVITIES ON CONVENTION GROUNDS

JUMPER CEMETERY - HOOLEY CEMETERY

MORE NAMES OF PEOPLE

SCHOOL LIFE FOR MRS. GOURD - CHURCHES

FOOD - KANUTCHI - GRATED BREAD, ETC

MORE ABOUT FAMILY MEMBERS

RIDER GRASS WAS A NEGRO MAIL CARRIER

MOST FAMILIES RAISED TOBACCO

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Mary Downing Gourd is a full blood Cherokee Indian. She is 81 years old and lives in Moody's Community, Cherokee County, Oklahoma. She moved to this area in 1910 and has lived here since that time. She attended school at Cherokee Female Seminary and graduated from that school in about 1909.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Swimmer Henry, Cherokee
Hubert Vann, Cherokee
Ollie Bennett, Seneca