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SUSIE HAMMON, CHEROKEE

INTERVIEWED BY: FAYE DELPH

INTERVIEW DATE: JUNE 15; 1969

TRANSCRIBED BY: MARJORIE MURDOCK

TRANSCRIPTION CHECKED BY: MONETTE COOMBES

GENERAL SUBJECT: SOME LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS; MEDICINES; INDIAN FOOD;

FAMILY

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

FAMILY BACKGROUND

FAMILY CEMETERY

AUNT SUSIE'S TRAVEL VERY LIMITED

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

GRANDMOTHER CAME OVER TRAIL OF TEARS FROM GEORGIA

GRANDFATHER AFFLUENT

CUT WOOD AND WORKED HARD FOR LIVELIHOOD

CHEROKEE WOMEN SCARPS AND CONJURING

COMMENTS ABOUT CHILDREN, HOUSE CLEANING AND HEALTH

PROBLEMS OF HOSPITALIZATION AND DOCTORS

COOKING CRAWFISH, KANUTCHIA, BEAN BREAD, ETC

HERBS FOR MEDICINE - CONJURING

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Susie Hammon is 87 years old. She lives in the Hulbert, Oklahoma area and has lived here for many years. She is in poor health and does not hear well and some questions have to be repeated. Mrs. Hammon still has a very good memory of herbs, Indian foods, and can speak both Cherokee and English well. She is a full blood Cherokee.

Remarks on Interview: Maggie Downing is present and participates extensively in this interview. Apparently Maggie is a relative of Mrs. Hammon and went with Field Worker to assist in this interview, and does translate some of the Cherokee words spoken in interview.