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NON-INDIAN

We certainly welcome you to this experimental series, and this is an experimental series in many ways. In the first place, we are interested in stimulating (static). We want you to develop an understanding and we certainly want to provide some information. And we have worked up a series of what we consider to be one of the most fascinating and interesting subjects pertinent to our particular area. We call it the "Highlights of Cherokee History of Culture." We do have somewhere, programs, lecture series, with the title of various lecturers who will present these lectures, the date, the time, and so on. But apparently, they didn't make the grade somewhere between the print shop here and upstairs. If they are not available to us before tonight, we will have them available next Tuesday, because they're off the press somewhere.

The subject that we have is a very lengthy one. It has a great deal of material available. Obviously, in eight hours, we are not going to be able to present the story of the Cherokees. This is a very fascinating, very deep story. We believe that it is unique in so many different ways. But we do hope that we will be able to cover just a little bit of what some have read for many years. Some have developed all sort of ideas about the Cherokees, about Indians in general and in this process of the lecture series, we hope to bring to you in Tahlequah, bring to this area, a new series of which this is the first. A series of lectures about things pertinent to our area. We can think of nothing more pertinent to our area than this particular subject. We don't really have the time to do all these things that I said we would try to do in this eight hour series,