

BRIEF INTRODUCEION

(July 23, 1969. Tonight, I'm visiting with Lindsey Mayes, a seventy-nine year old Cherokee of the River bend community, Mayes county, Oklahoma. A life-long resident of this area, he talks about the old places, the people, and the events that he has known.)

BURIAL PLACES OF CERTAIN FAMILY MEMBERS

(Now there was nine--yeah, two of your uncles, I guess.)

Uncle Joel and Uncle Sam.

(Where was Joel and Sam buried?)

They was buried at Tahlequah.

(Both of them. Well, that would be in the city cemetery?)

Yeah.

(All right.)

Yes, I'm pretty sure Uncle Sam was buried there. I know Uncle Joel was.

Mrs. Hayes: Well, this Mrs. Minnie Mayes is his widow, isn't she?

Yeah. She's uncle Tom's widow. He could be buried up there --

Mrs. Hayes: Pryor..

No. He's not buried in Pryor. He could be buried up there, somewhere east of Pryor.

(The one they call the Ross-Mayes.)

Yeah. I wouldn't be sure about that, Jim. But I expect he's buried at Tahlequah, just guessing.

(Yeah.)

I know Uncle Joel is.

(Well, now, we know about W. C. Rogers. He's buried at Hillside.

We know about the first one, John Ross. He's buried at Park Hill.)

Yeah.

(No, do you know of any of the others? See, there was Thompson,