

as (unintelligible phrase) and as local preacher. Your work tends on several historical transition of the Methodist Church--the merger of the south and the north churches into a union as the Methodist Church. A few years ago, in 1967, the merging of the Methodist Church and the Evangelical Branch of the Methodist Church emerged. You have served on the five missions and have been held in high esteem by all of them. You have been a favorite chosen leader by the great and much-loved pioneer superintendent, the late W. P. Witt. Your ministerial conference appointments covered almost all of the mission churches in the former Kiowa District. Later the Western District, and up to this retirement, the Southwest District. That in a small (unintelligible word) all the district superintendents in Oklahoma who you served when you were in the active ministry. First you served under Brother W. P. Witt, under Dr. (name unintelligible), Linn Poahy, late Conrad Mausape, and Max Botone. You served in the Indian Mission Conference in official capacity as a Conference Secretary and numerous member of boards.

Also for your people you have been active in Kiowa affairs. You have been a member of the Tribal Council elected by your people for many years. You represented our Kiowa people for the former Kiowa-Comanche-Apache Affiliated Tribes in several of the most controversial litigations that involved the three tribes in the early thirties, forties, and fifties. But most important of all was when you played an important role in the famous Texas vs. the Kiowa-Comanche-Apache tribes of Indians, of the Red River oil claims, which netted our people in the judgement award sixty-seven and a half per cent of an enormous income that fell to the lands of our Kiowa people. You represented your people in Washington in several of the important tribal matters. You have been always numbered among the strongest tribal leaders in more than forty-seven years (of service).