there were visitors that came and stayed for a lengths of time. But on the other hand, we lived on west edge of Seminole county, east edge of Pottawatomie County, you might say between Shawnee and Seminole; and in my earlier teenage days, we moved on into Shawnee. That's where I grew up. That's where all the things happened, I guess.

(When is your birthday?)
April 10, 1932.

## TALKS ABOUT INDIAN COOKING METHODS AND MORE OF TESTIMONY

(Did yourrmother do a lot of Indian cooking?)

Oh, yes, Yes, she loves to cook. She lives in Shawnee now. had a little home on South Draper, and she is hitting right at 69, and she did a lot of Indian cooking like making biscuits in an outdoor cooking. What I mean is there's no stove, but there's just coals where they take the bread and put it in a cast iron skillet, I guess you call it, and put a lid on it. Then, you dig a little hole by it, and put the coals back on it to bake those biscuits. And I remember many a days if it hadn't been for the old corn bread, beans, and potatoes that I believe that we might have starved out. But we had plenty of potatoes and so forth, you know. Dried beef that they used to fix back in those days and salt meat and those were the things that I really feasted on. Up to this day, I feel that those were the good old days, because you enjoy it yourself when you're young and you enjoy your friends. I went to public schools, I never did go off to government schools. I just always and I quess I'm just maybe a little bit off there, but where I did go to school there were mostly White People. That's where most of my ministry has been, is in different White church here in Muskogee association. Up until just recently, it just seemed like somehow or another I was being drawn closer to my race of people, and somehow or another I felt as though that you know I could help them in some things that they are lacking. I think that I'm capable of teaching, and that's what I want to do. That is, teach my people. telling my wife just the other day, "If we had young minister" or ministers, this is what I would love to teach, is, pastorial