

I never did go down there.

(Did they tell you if you are eligible for welfare?)

They told me I was not eligible. I don't know why.

(What about Kate Osage? Didn't you say she gets welfare?)

She gets welfare. She gets over a hundred dollars.

(Does she have land?)

She's got lot of land. That where she lives--all that west towards the dam--that's her land. And she's got some land over here towards Seiling. And then she inherit land at Hammon and Clinton. And then she says she's got one at Geary.

(Is she older than you?)

Yeah. She's a little older than I am.

(Still, if she gets it, seems like you ought to be able to get it.)

Yeah. See, I ain't got nothing. I wouldn't be living over here if I had my own home. But this is rented, you know (tribe owns land and house where Myrtle lives).

(This house here actually belongs to the tribe?)

Yeah.

(Note: I talked with Mr. Allbaugh in Social Services at Concho Agency later and he told me that Kate Osage does not get welfare payments. She gets Aid to Families with Dependent Children. The money is for her grandchildren who live with her and whose families do not support them. To be eligible for welfare, you must well property or put it up for sale and have certain minimum annual income. Myrtle might could get Welfare if she filed a land sale application. She owns 3/4 of 1/3 of 80 acres. However, she also gets a pension of about \$75.00 a month from the Veterans Administration, because of her son Louis who was killed in World War II. I didn't know this at this time. See end of this interview. She also gets about \$40.00 a month social security. She gets about \$331.00 per year income from the