

T-268-1 (First of Three Interviews)
HOGAN MARKHAM, CHEROKEE
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GENERAL SUBJECT: SOME EARLY HISTORY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION
REASON FOR MARKHAM FERRY
EARLY DAY TOWN AND SCHOOLS AND MISSIONS
MUCH ABOUT ESTABLISHMENT OF FT. GIBSON ABOUT 1817
IN EARLY DAYS, MOST PARENTS WERE INTERESTED IN
EDUCATION FOR THEIR CHILDREN
PEOPLE GOING WEST, USED MARKHAM FERRY
STORY OF THE GUNNER FAMILY
EARLY DAYS - CHEROKEES WERE A RELIGIOUS PEOPLE
NIGHTHAWK ORGANIZATION
TAHLEQUAH IN EARLY DAYS ABOUT 1897
RAILROADS AND STAGECOACHES
OTHER TRANSPORTATION - HAND MADE SPURS AND BRIDLE BITS
MONETARY EXCHANGE IN EARLY DAYS
NAME OF TAHLEQUAH IS CHEROKEE AND MEANS "THIS WILL DO"
MANY BEAUTIFUL SPRINGS AROUND AND NEAR TAHLEQUAH
PROCEDURE OF EARLY DAY ALLOTMENT PROGRAM
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OVER-RULED OBJECTION TO
FREEDMEN IN THE ALLOTMENT PROGRAM
GENERAL ROBERT E. LEE AND GENERAL TAYLOR WENT TO DANCES
AT MERLE HOME
OKLAHOMA BECOMES A STATE IN 1907
FAMILY - HOME AND CEMETERY

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Hogan Markham was born in May 1891. His father was Carter D. Markham and his mother was Eliza Adair Markham. Hogan graduated from Northeastern Normal School (Cherokee Male Seminary), then graduated from Junior College and in 1911 went to the University of Chicago and in 1913 came to Oklahoma University where he received a degree in Physics and went on to Dartmouth to receive his Master's degree. He has taught at Northeastern State College in Tahlequah, University of Arkansas and Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts at Chickasha, Oklahoma. During World War I, he worked for a Chemical Company in Philadelphia. In 1932 he entered the construction business and worked there until retirement. He now lives in Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Lucinda Sanders Wilhite, Cherokee
John Armstrong, Cherokee