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LUCY CROAKER, CHEROKEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: FAMILY LIFE; PRESERVING FOODS; MISCELLANEOUS

STORIES

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

· EARLY DAY HARDSHIPS - GRANDMOTHER CARRIED A 50 POUND SACK OF FLOUR

FATHER COULD MAKE INDIAN MEDICINE

FATHER WAS A GOOD FARMER - METHOD OF PRESERVING TURNIPS, POTATOES AND CABBAGES

MRS. CROAKER RAISED SEVERAL SETS OF CHILDREN NOT HER OWN

HER PHILOSOPHY ON FAMILY LIFE

HELPED WITH FARMING - STORY OF BABY BEAR

CONJECTURE CONCERNING CERTAIN MYSTERIOUS CAVE

SCHOOLING LIMITED - INCIDENT CONCERNING A CERTAIN TEACHER

DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE PEGGS CYCLONE

CHURCH CUSTOMS IN EARLY DAYS

FATHER REFUSED TO EVER GO INTO DEBT

HOW FATHER LEARNED WHICH GREENS TO CUT FROM OLD ROSE, THE COWN

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Lucy Croaker is 93 years of age. She lives in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and has lived in that area since moving from Kentucky at the age of five years. Her formal education was very limited, ending after only three terms in Madisonville, Arkansas schools.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Eugene Hummingbird, Cherokee Ocie Grey, Cherokee