Mr. Thompson: I remember Bud Springs. You remember him?

Mrs. Oaks: Bud, yes. He lives here now. No, Bud don't. Bud died, his widow still living here now.

(I think I had mentioned Judge Hunter or Tom Hunter, you know, and somebody mentioned him as a speaker and Mr. Henderson said that Bailey Springs was quite an orator.)

He sure was. Tom Hunter was a good speaker too, of course, he wasn't an orator, but he was a good speaker.

(Was Tom Hunter chief?)

No. He never was chief. He - I know when I was just a kid he run for chief one time. I think maybe he was running against either Green McCurtain or Governor Dukes, I believe it was Governor Dukes. You remember when - I guess you old enough. How old are you?

Mr. Thompson: Seventy-seven.

Well, we're about the same age. Yeah, you remember it. Of course we was small. But I know Tom Hunter was campaigning. Tom lives over about only over there. He came to my father's house and stayed all night in a buggy - two horse buggy. Just left his buggy out in the yard there and took the horses on to the barn. Well, the next morning I was up pretty early, foolin' around there about the buggy - saw a box of cigars there - I just reached in and got me a couple of them. Went off and hid 'em. ((laughter)) Anyway he was campaigning out running for governor - but he didn't make it. He probably was elect all right, but they counted him out of it, some figured he did.

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(Wjo did the counting at that time?)

I couldn't tell you.

(I mean was it just a head vote did the Choctaws gather some place for the election?)