

T-295-1 (First of Five Interviews)  
FLORENCE RONSON, CHEROKEE  
INTERVIEWED BY: J. W. TYNER  
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GENERAL SUBJECT: OLD SALINE COURT HOUSE; LAST STRUCTURE STILL REMAINING  
IN OLD CHEROKEE NATION

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION  
EARLY DAYS OF AREA AROUND SALINE DISTRICT COURTHOUSE  
PEOPLE BUILD WHERE WATER IS AVAILABLE  
INCIDENT OF SHOOTING PRISONER  
HERBS USED FOR TREATMENT OF AILMENTS  
INDIAN PAYMENTS  
STORIES CONCERNING KILLINGS IN EARLY DAYS  
BUILDINGS IN AREA OF COURTHOUSE,

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Florence Ronson is about 60 years of age. She lives in the Rose Prairie Community in Delaware County. The Ronson family live in the old Saline District Court House which was built in 1870.

NOTE: The other interviews on this tape are: W. O. Hale, Cherokee  
Wes Beech, Cherokee  
Sam Sloan, Cherokee  
Frank Tyner, Cherokee

INTERVIEW SITUATION: This tape was recorded while touring grounds of the old Saline District Court House and much static and interference makes some parts of this tape inaudible. Also, a Mr. Ragsdale is present and participates extensively in this interview.