

said, "Your name's on the list!" And I said, well now do you believe you're an Indian? And she said, "Well I will just have to say I knew it all time. I believe we will get our money." Well, that money was what was making her hurry, and she said, "We are gonna leave here Tuesday." And they got ready to leave. I told my children, I said, "Never before did she decide she could just now afford to move." Well, I just answered her. She really believed it now. And I just said to 'em, I said, "Well, I am an Indian and I'm proud of it, whether we ever got any money or not." But that's all some of 'em are lookin' for. They don't take it, that some of 'em will never realize that they ever got it a tall. And as you say, I don't think it lasted some of 'em very long. Because I know we had a lady over here, Art Walker's wife. Her man, he wasn't no Indian, he just an Indian from over here in Arkansas. I think they had nine children. Her husband and ever one of 'em, ever one of them kids got \$900.00. Well, he was on his death bed and so he asked an attorney to come out there and he just signed his \$900.00 over to his wife. At his death, then, she got it. I said, "Well, that was one good thing." Because them kids was theirs and I don't suppose it lasted 'em a week. They all come out and some of 'em had already bought a car on the strength of it.

FUNERAL CUSTOMS

(Mrs. Carver do you remember any of the customs and traditions that your mother observed and practiced?)

Yes.

(Those would be interesting 'cause there was so many of them and each one is so different.)

Yes. Around here, when we first come here, it was very often that they called up an Indian dance. And very often when some of their folks died—'course that was something that I never will forget. We had just moved in that neighborhood and they found out my mother was a good Christian lady, a good person to quilt, and things like that. So they got us to