

T-354-1 (First of Five Interviews)
BUNCH PAYNE, CHEROKEE
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GENERAL SUBJECT: FAMILY LIFE; HUNTING; EARLY DAYS IN CHEROKEE
NATION

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION
HUNTING IN EARLY DAYS
EARLY DAYS OF RAMONA - OIL FOUND
EARLY DAY FARMING - TOWNS OF DUPREE - GORE - AFTON
TRAVELLED BY FOOT - WAGON OR HORSEBACK
TIMES HAVE CHANGED
HOME LIGHTING IN EARLY DAYS
ABOUT PEOPLE IN EARLY DAYS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

At the time of this interview Bunch Payne was 81 years of age. He was born and reared in Dupree Community of Northern Craig County, Oklahoma, and has spent most of his life there. He worked several years in Washington County oil fields before retiring to his present ranch home in Ramona, Oklahoma. He is a graduate of the Cherokee Male Seminary at Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Bennie Whiteday, Shawnee
Randle Carpenter, Shawnee
Gilbert Fallin, Cherokee
John Armstrong, Cherokee