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ABE NED, CHICKASAW

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GENERAL SUBJECT: LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS AND RELATED SUBJECTS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

MANY REASONS FOR HIS PRESENT JOB SANITATION, HEALTH, AND EDUCATION AND WELFARE HIS OWN LIFE AS A YOUNG BOY - EDUCATION ETC. . WORKED HIS WAY AS HE WENT TO DRAUGHONS BUSINESS COLLEGE JOBS AFTER LEAVING BUSINESS COLLEGE. LEARNED ABOUT MAKING ICE AND REFRIGERATION RECALLS BEGINNING OF TALKING PICTURES AND RADIO WENT TO WORK IN OIL FIELDS MARRIED IN 1920 AND WENT TO WORK FOR ICE COMPANY WENT TO ARIZONA TO WORK LIFE AND WORK IN ARIZONA - PIMA COTTON INDIANS USED FOR HARVEST WORKERS AND WORKING CONDITIONS - ATTITUDES AMONG INDIANS SCHOOL AND CHURCHES AMONG SOUTHWEST INDIANS INDIANS LIKE TO SING - THEY-WERE GOOD SINGERS RETURNED TO OKLAHOMA ACCEPTS PRESENT JOB DUTIES COVERS MANY INTERESTS - HEALTH CLINICS - YOUNG PEOPLE ALCOHOLISM AMONG INDIANS IS A PROBLEM

BAKCGROUND OF INFORMANT:

At the time of this interview Abe Ned was 69 years of age. He was born in Oklahoma. He was an ofphan at 10 years and then moved with a family and lived and worked for his room and board until he was 17 years of age. After attending Love County schools where he finished the eighth grade, Mr. Ned attended Murray Agricultural College (not Murray State College) in Tishomingo, Oklahoma for one year he enrolled at Draughons Business College in Oklahoma City and receibed a business course there in 1918. He has lived in Oklahoma most of his life with the exception of ten years when he was employed for in Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Ned now lives in Coalgate, Oklahoma and is a travel representative for the Chickasaw Nation in the Community Action Program.