

So we felt like that the main changing name would not effect our organization so we use this OCCO for short word for Original Cherokee Community Organization.

(Un-huh, well what is you all's aims and your goals?)

The betterment for the Cherokees tomorrow. And as I mentioned later in the tape, when I was speaking about the H.E.W. that is our full concern and that is our goal. If we are successful we will try to iron these problems out.

(Un-huh, I see. Well who funds O.C.C.O.?)

The Field Foundation has been funding the O.C.C.O. and we have been fortunate that we have been able to iron out some of these deep problems for the Cherokees and some of the gaps that has been left by the B.I.A.'s. When the Cherokee's were holding the responsibility on the B.I.A. to be their guardian, where they have been left holding the bag, we are now trying to fill the gap for the B.I.A. where they left off.

(Un-huh, well if you had enough money, if you had the funds, which problems would you tackle first and how would you go about it?)

Well, I would fullfil the problems of H.E.W. and that is the main problem that is crippling the Cherokees with their health, education, and welfare. If I had just a few more dollars where I could employ more field workers I could bring better conditions for the Cherokees as well as better conditions for their homes.

OPPOSES THE THEATRE PRODUCTION OF TRAIL OF TEARS

(Un-huh, I see. Well, I wanted to ask you one question that we just almost forgot about, what do you think of the Cherokee Amphi-theater that they're putting up out here and the play that will be put on this Summer?)

Well, the Cherokees that are coming to the O.C.C.O. office today are complaining about the old scar that was left back in the 1830's, that this generation or the B.I.A. are trying to reopen the old wound. And we feel like, including