

T-400-2 (Second of Three Interviews)
JEFFERSON FIELDS, CHEROKEE
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GENERAL SUBJECT: EVENTS AND PEOPLE AROUND DELAWARE COUNTY IN EARLY
DAYS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION
LOCATION OF VARIOUS CEMETERIES
SALLY ENGLISH IDENTIFIED
EARLY DAY LIVING CONDITIONS AND EARLY DAY LAW ENFORCEMENT
MR. FIELDS HAS OWN PHILOSOPHY CONCERNING PEOPLE TODAY
PETER'S PRAIRIE NAMED FOR A NEGRO SLAVE
JOHN RIDGE WAS KILLED - KILLERS UNKNOWN
MORE ABOUT CEMETERIES
MORE ABOUT EARLY DAY SETTLERS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Jefferson Fields was born in 1884, on Honey Creek in Delaware County, Indian Territory in a log house built by General Stand Watie. He is a full blood Cherokee and lives in the White Water Creek Community, of Delaware County. His first school was Butler school and he also attended the Cherokee Male Seminary in Tahlequah, Oklahoma in 1908-1909. (Jefferson is sometimes referred to as Jess or Jeff.)

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Gertrude Thompson Blevens, Cherokee
Kermit Beck, Cherokee