

NOTE: The first ten minutes of this tape includes a news summary on a radio broadcast which includes a summary concerning general topics of the day and was not transcribed.

CONCERNING INHERITANCE CLAIMS

(Well Louella, we'll try to get some more on this tape. That other one ran out on us. While we're talking about money I wanted to ask you, when the United States Government paid the Cherokees off, oh several years ago, didn't each Cherokee get so much or so much allotted to them?)

Well not all of the Cherokees, only the ones that were enrolled. They only ones that had their roll numbers got money and I think it was 280 dollars to each person and if, like my dad, he got his mother's and his father's money 'cause they're dead.

(Oh, the descendants?)

He got his but like me and my sisters, we didn't get anything.

(Well did you have to be born before 1907, when they closed the rolls?)

I guess so. You had to be on the roll, you know, that they've got.

(And you couldn't use your parent's roll number?)

No. I could have, you know, if they were dead but they're both living so I didn't get anything.

(Oh, so you had to be on the roll? Or if they were on the roll and they were dead, then you could claim?)

Yes, but you had to divide you know with your sisters and brothers if you had some.

(Un-huh.)

And that 280 dollars wouldn't go very far cause I've got nine brothers and sisters.

(Un-huh)