

T-431-2 (Second of Three Interviews)

SAM CHEWEY, CHEROKEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: EARLY HISTORY MATERIALS; KILLING DEER WITHOUT A RIFLE;  
FARMING METHODS AND FOOD GROWN FOR INDIANS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

ROUGH TIMES IN EARLY DAYS - NINE DISTRICTS IN NATION

FATHER STOOD TRIAL FOR MURDER - ACQUITTED

NOT MANY FAMILIES IN EARLY DAYS

EARLY DAY FISHING AND HUNTING - RAIL FENCES

MANY WILD HOGS AND LOTS OF WILD TURKEYS AND DEER

GOOD FARMING - HUCKLEBERRIES

WICKLIFF BOYS - FOOD

NO DOCTORS IN EARLY DAYS - INDIAN MEDICINE

OLD CEMETERIES

STOMP DANCE TO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY FOR REDBIRD SMITH

OLD TOWN OF "CHANCE" - OIL SPRINGS

MODE OF TRAVEL IN EARLY DAYS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Sam Chewey is eighty-two years of age. His grandfather Joseph Chewey helped settle the Chewey District in Adair County. Sam is full-blood Cherokee and was born and reared and attended the local schools of this area. He is a veteran of World War I and served overseas.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Tohnee Turtle, Cherokee  
Tom Rider, Cherokee