

hospital." So they brought him here and operated on him, took it out. He got better.

(It was good that she was concerned enough to say go to hospital.)

Yes. Uh-huh, good. Yeah, there are this Indian doctor, we call it. We don't have too many among the Choctaws. I bet you there's ten, all together, in the whole part of this county.

CHOCTAW COUNCIL AND HOW IT FUNCTIONS - FIVE TRIBES COUNCIL

(How many counties here in the Choctaw area?)

One, two, three, four, five, about six counties.

(Uh-huh. Covers a lot of territory.)

Yes sir, it covers a lot of territory. But as far as our tribal government, we lost that in 1906.

(What is the position, now, of your tribal council? How is it formed, the Choctaw Council?)

You mean how we operate or how we--

(How do you get to be on the council--or the chief?)

Uh, we elect them. We have annual meeting here at Tuskahoma and have elections. Annual meeting for our tribe.

(To elect councilmen?)

Yes.

(Do you do that in the counties or districts?)

By different counties. In the Choctaw tribe they got two here. (names not clear) One at Hartshorne one at Okmulgee, that's four. And the chief makes five, Choctaw Indians.

(That's on the inter-tribal council?)

Yeah.

(How many do they have on the Choctaw council, total number?)

Well, any tribal council there is five. Then it's--these other tribes,