

Indian people in this part of the country? Do you have any problems with white people being sorta anti-Indian?)

Back 150 years ago, now they had prejudice and that's where it started. Now, I'm going to joke just a little bit.

STORY - PREJUDICE

(Well, you go right ahead.)

I told one VISTA volunteer worker down here now we were going to eat at a table one day a VISTA volunteer was visiting me and he mentioned something about Plymouth Rock, way back 1620 and I said, Frank, you know the first Indian dinner we give you? And he was kinda startled. I said 1620.

He said, oh yeah, Plymouth Rock, wasn't it? Yess, when you Pilgrims come over here, the Indians give you the first Thanksgiving, didn't they?

(That's right.) (Kinda shook him up a little.)

We went on ahead and ate our dinner and sat there for awhile. He was good--we had a good communication with him, he was from New Jersey.

These sorta people come in, you know, the Peace--what do they call 'em VISTA. They're were a lot of people from that Corps program that the United States government put out, good people, reliable people. They had this here determination and courage to live among these poor people around Hulbert, Stilwell, Tahlequah, well around the state. As far as the prejudice against Indian it goes on not as much as it was back in them old days 'cause these Indians marry into white nationality, but they don't marry yet into the negro nationality yet, just a very seldom that you do find Indian marrying a Negro, which is not, I would say, which is not well permissable as far as the Indian's family side is concerned.

Now, I've had Indian trouble such as land, land grabbers, white people long time ago, which is about five years back, but these things can be ironed out through the BIA office, which handles our transactions.

BIA

(Do they treat you fairly, the Bureau. I mean do you think you've been