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AMOS CHRISTIE, CHEROKEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: EARLY HISTORY MATERIAL OF THE CHRISTIE FAMILY

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

SEVERAL DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF FAMILY HELPED TO SETTLE COMMUNITY INDIAN CEMETERIES ARE DESTROYED WHEN WHITE MAN BUYS THE LAND GEORGE LONG OWNED THE OLD GRIST MILL

JACK CHRISTIE, A NATURAL MECHANIC - SONS ALSO A RECRUITER FOR STUDENTS TO VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

A KEGROTTER FOR STOPPHIS TO VOCATIO

MANY CHRISTIE FAMILY MEMBERS

MORE CHRISTIE RELATIVES

MORE ABOUT CEMETERIES

MORMON CHURCH - INCIDENT

HARD TIMES AFTER CIVIL WAR

CHRISTIE SPRINGS - NED CHRISTIE

TOWN OF WAUHILLAU - OLD MILL

CHRISTIE FAMILY CLEARED MOST OF LAND IN THE AREA

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Amos Christie is 63 years old. He is full blood Cherokee of Bitting Springs Community in Adair County, Oklahoma. Mr. Christie was born here and lives in the home built by his father. His education was obtained at Chilocco Indian School where he learned to be a plumber and has worked at various places, but returned to his original homesite to retire. He is the last of a long line of ancestors of Christie's and knows much of the family history and family cemeteries location.

NOTE: The other interviews on this tape are: Sam Gourd, Cherokee
Ausley Welch, Cherokee