

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

(June 12, 1969. Today I'm visiting with Amos Christie, a 63 year old, full-blood Cherokee of Bidding Springs community, Adair county, Oklahoma. Mr. Christie talks about the many peoples that he has known and the many events and things of interest to his knowledge pertaining to the old Cherokee nation in early Oklahoma.)

SEVERAL DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF FAMILY HELPED TO SETTLE COMMUNITY

Now about that old, that store--school now. My dad--my grandfather raised him. He settled that when they came from Georgia.

(Was that Jim Christie?)

No, old man Watt Christie.

(Watt Christie was your -- uh-huh.)

That was an allotment--well, it was back before allotment. Lon Christie, one of his older boys.

(Yeah.)

Built it (words not clear)

(Now see this was your granddaddy's home here. I mean, your father's home.)

Yeah.

(Well, he built this home, did he?)

He built that west part of it. Call it the west part.

(Yeah.)

This other--this here--Me and him bought this prairie why, off his older brother. Jack. He built it way back up here.

(Well.)

I think it was--when he started it. He bought another place, you know, back over here, he liked better. Got a clearing cleared up here, you know,