

T-480-2 (Second of Three Interviews)  
INFORMANT: CHARLES ROSS, CHEROKEE  
INTERVIEWED BY: J.W. TYNER  
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GENERAL SUBJECT: LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS AND RELATED SUBJECTS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION  
MUCH ABOUT THE STARR FAMILY  
WEBBER FALLS - PORUM - CHECOTAH  
PARENTS - OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS  
HOME IN INDIAN TERRITORY - ARMY BURNED EVERYTHING  
OTHER FAMILIES IN AREA BESIDES ROSS FAMILIES  
THE ONLY MAN JUDGE PARKER EVER RELEASED FROM EXECUTION  
SCHOOLS ATTENDED  
PLENTY OF TALL GRASS IN EARLY DAYS  
CEMETERIES  
EARLY DAY PEOPLE AND WORKING CONDITIONS  
CULTURE CENTERS  
EARLY DAYS - NECESSARY TO HAVE A SPECIAL PERMIT TO HIRE A WHITE MAN  
MR. SPRING FROGG LIVED IN TEXARKANA

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

At the time of this interview Charles Ross was 80 years of age. He was born and reared on the original land allotment and has lived here since that time. Mr. Ross attended Prairie Knob, Ross and Vann schools in the lower grades, then Cherokee Male Seminary at Tahlequah. He was employed for the Highway Department and County Commissioner of Muskogee County for a number of years.

NOTE: The other informants on this tape are: Emmett Lowrey, Cherokee  
Jess Mayes, Cherokee