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JOHN TOPPING, CHEROKEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: EARLY DAYS OF THE OGLESBY-HOGSHOOTER DISTRICT

OF CENTRAL WASHINGTON COUNTY

## TOPICS DISCUSSED:

INTRODUCTION
TREE HAULING
TOWN OF OGLESBY
HOSCHOOTER DISTRICT
EARLY SETTLERS IN DISTRICT
RECALLS LIFE OF PEOPLE BURIED IN CEMETERY
TOWN OF RAMONA
RANCH WORK AND EXPERIENCES
TOWN OF OGLESBY
WORKING TO CLEAR LAND
WATCHOUT FOR POKER PLAYERS

## BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

John Topping is eighty-six years old, grew up in the Oglesby area. He has worked as a ranch hand, breaking horses, and farmer. Mr. Topping has been retired for several years and lives in the Oglesby community in Washington County, Oklahoma.

Note: The other interview on this tape is: Eli Toliver, Creek