T-540-3 (Third of Four Interviews)

CLAUDE COCHRAN, CHEROKEE INTERVIEWED BY: J. W. TYNER

INTERVIEW DATE: OCTOBER 21, 1969

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GENERAL SUBJECT: SOME HISTORY OF ROGERS COUNTY, - PIONEERS THERE

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

FAMILY MEMBERS

CEMETERIES

WAGON BRIDGES AND RAILROAD BRIDGES

RUCKER COMMUNITY - PEOPLE - CEMETERIES

BERRYHILL RANCH AND MCFARLAND RANCH

CHAPMAN RANCH - FAMILY

MORE ABOUT BERRYHILL FAMILY

HIS EARLY LIFE HISTORY - SCHOOLS

NAMES OF PEOPLE IN EARLY DAYS - TIAWAH

MEANING OF SOME OF THE INDIAN NAMES FOR TOWNS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Claude Cochran was born in 1904 at Catoosa and spent his younger years on Cochran Prairie in Delaware County. The family returned to Catoosa to live and he attended school there and after graduation from high school, he went to Northeastern at Tahlequah where he obtained his degree in education. He taught school for several years but is now retired and lives alone in the Rucker Community in Rogers County. He is a cattle rancher living on his original land allotment. Mr. Cochran is a full blood Cherokee.

NOTE: The other interviews on this tape are: Timpson Chapel Meeting, Cherokee

Alvin West, Cherokee

Ralph Chamberlain, Cherokee