

No, my folks weren't together.

(Did your mother work?)

Yes, mostly around the house and then my grandma had cafe and she use to come over there and work. Sometimes they brought me and I stayed there all day.

(Did you have anything you enjoyed when you were a boy? What did you do?)

Yes, I guess so' cause we use to get scolding all time. We use to go to dances--fiddle dances. They sang Indian songs though. They sure use to dance. It was fun those days. (Laughter) They don't have them kinds now.

(Did you use to hunt or anything?)

Oh yeah, we went hunting all time. We use to get 'possum. We sold the hides and furs and got little money. We use to cut wood for people and that's how we got our spending money. Me and my friend use to live with his mother, Mary. We use to cook and wash and iron. His mother didn't have much hard chores to do around the house, People use to ask us when are we ever going separate. Last time I remember I stayed with Ceaser Bear in town. Finally I decided to get married and so I did. I sold my place and we lived out in country.

EARLY DAY WORKING CONDITIONS AND COMPARES EARLY DAYS WITH PRESENT

(Did you have to work?)

Yes, I used to work for our neighboring farm and I farm at our place too. We always kept about three or four people (kinfolks) and they used to do all the work at our place. They helped out a lot.

(Did you all have cellar?)

Oh yes, we put our canned food down in cellar. I had hogs and we had plenty meat all time. I had chickens, cows too. John McIntosh use to stay with us all time.

(You think them days were better than now days? And did Indians live close around? Did they visit one another?)

Yeah, I liked it better in those days. It's hard times now. They visit day