

called me up and asked me to come up the the Agency. I did go. On the 17th and the 18th, we sat there all day trying to make an appointment with Mr. Bellmon and Mr. Belcher and those people. But they were on the floor at the time and they were so busy, they couldn't even stop to talk. They were going to adjourn and we couldn't make an appointment to go there at that time. Then, we did get it through. I called Henry Belmon, and, then, I told him that we wanted to have a meeting with him. He said, "Well, we will try to set up a meeting right after the Holidays which is on the 7th day of January." At that time, Mr. Edmonson and Mr. Belmon and Mr. Belcher with the tribal Council met at the Tulsa office. They agreed, then, to help us to try to get this claim thrown out. What I mean by that is the appeal thrown out. They did try and, then, they finally decided after they got back in Washington and Congress went back in session, they went up to Mr. Cline, who is the solicitor General and got him to express himself and he promised Mr. Belcher that he would review this personally himself, and give us a decision. In the mean time, I called Mr. Wilkinson, who is the Advisory to the President and a very good friend of mine, and told him what the situation was. He told me over the phone, "Well, Sylvester, I don't really know anything about this." I told him, then, to get a hold of Mr. Belmon, and Mr. Belmon would bring him up on it, he and Mr. Belcher. That was about 10 o'clock in the morning and about 3 o'clock in the afternoon we got word from him that they were helping us out. If anything happened or not, they did come up and offer us \$2,300,000 more. The attorneys said that that was what was the turning point. They said that they did get the \$2,250,000 for