

would you prefer to see an Indian like he is, under the guardianship of the Bureau or the Government. Or would you like to see him..give him title to his land, and let him go. In other words, turn him loose. He said, no, I prefer to see him as he is, let the Government take care of him. His affairs, I mean. I said, why. He said I have a good job. If he terminates, I'll lose my job. That's the way he put it, I figure that they all that way. They all got nice jobs. Ain't the best paying jobs, but they get a good salary for that.

(Do the younger Indians, say around 25 and 30, have much to loose by termination?)
 No, just like I said coming out of my house, a lot of this land is so fractionated..they got a lot of shares. If they wanted to sell, it they won't get too much. Or divide the land, they have, the land one time, people owned it..I don't know the land was poor, the rental wasn't good. There was a family , a man and his family, got fifteen cents per annum from this rental. Well, they got rid of it. Fifteen cents a person.

(Was there a separate check for each fifteen cent payment?)

I don't know how they worked it but anyway..I tell you what they did, they go ahead and just leave it (at the Office) until some more money come along.

COMMENTS ON SALE AND LEASING OF LAND:

(Do you think there would be a real "land rush" if the Indians were terminated with people trying to buy their lands from them?)

I imagine they will. You know you take this, you sometimes you hear about people doing this and that..even among the white people. Happens to the Indians, because Indians, just like I said, he doesn't understand. He doesn't have much business experience to..maybe someone offer him tenthouseand dollars for it, maybe the land worth fifty thousand. Well, you take a man like that, he's a pretty good talker. He go ahead and offer that money.

(How hard is it for an Indian to sell his land right now?)

Well, it's a little difficult in some respects for some people. But I would tell you an illustration, an experience I had with a cousin of mine. This cousin of mine sold..well told this Bureau official this..that you people are, I would say,

an error in some cases of Indians selling their land. Nothing to prove that they