

(How many were in your family?)

There was four boys, and two girls. Six of us. All the boys are dead but me, I'm the only one left. I got two sisters. One of my sisters live here in town, her name is Jile. She married Luke Jile, she live here on the hill. My other sister name Ella, she lives in Warner, Oklahoma. One of my brothers was a widower--and I had another brother in south Arkansas, he was a orchard raiser. Then I had one out in Colorado. Their all three dead now. They died--Of course I was the youngest one of the bunch. But I was the only one that was in World War I.

(Had you seen any of these Indians before you had moved to Oklahoma?)

No, I hadn't. I seen the Cherokee Indians, but I had never seen those Comanches or Choctaws that live out here. They all wore blankets then they didn't were clothes they wore blankets. And most of the woman wore skeets. Wrap a sheet around them over their head--It was quite a sight for a man that never seen it, but soon as we got use to it we was just accustomed to it as it would be looking at whites or anything else. That's the Indian. But there wasn't too many could speak English when we moved out here. There was a few, a lot of them couldnt. But now you never see one where they're talking Indian.

(They didn't try to take up white mans ways to much?)

No. They, I tell you, Indians I guess maybe it's part of their way of life, I don't know but they still have these big stomp dances, peyote parties, so forth and so on, they'll move in there they'll move in here in our park. I think there was six thousand that was down there last year for the forth of July. They have that dance, they get out there and just dance in a great big circle for hours at a time. They like that, but they don't take up much of the white way of life. I--maybe they do when they get in college. I'm not sure about that. You'll hear they go back to their old form of intertainment that they had years ago.

(Where did they get that peyote?)

Well, peyote I guess, I don't know how they get it or where get it, but they use theyget it but they use to never have one of them big celebrations without having peyote dance. And they get that and smoke that peyote come out just higher then a