

PRELIMINARY CONVERSATION

--I'm not much good myself.

(Well, I think we all think that about ourselves and yet, you know, you sound better to other people than you do of yourself.)

Oh yes. You do. You was asking me about that meeting they have over here at the community house. They had it Saturday night.

(What did they do?)

We didn't get to go. Our car is broke so we didn't get to go.

(Is that the tribal council?)

Yeah, that's it. That Jimmy Wahpepah, he's been to Washington. He told about what they said to him over there. We didn't go. We haven't heard anybody about it.

(I just wondered what kind of business they have.)

Oh, I don't know. I really don't know what kind it is. We haven't heard anybody yet.

LIFE HISTORY: CHILDHOOD AND FAMILY LIFE

(Interruption)

(--this old thing here. You'll just see what comes out. Let's see now, Mabel, where were you born?)

I was born here in Potawattomie County.

(Here at this place?)

Uh-huh. Not right here--towards Shawnee.

(Very far from here?)

I just don't know how far. Oh, it's way out west of Shawnee there.

(Was it your mother's place or your father's place?)

No. Some other people's place. I don't know whose place it was.

(Is that where you lived?)