

Let the boys come up here and stand on the bridge--gring the flag.

(In unison) pledge of allegiance. Pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. And to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

MR. ELMER FRAKER WAS THE SPEAKER HONORING JESSE CHISHOLM

Mr. Elmer Fraker from the Oklahoma State Historical Society will now give a tribute to Jesse Chisholm.

Thank you Mr. Chairman. Ladies and gentlemen, back in 1806, in the hill lands of Tennessee, there was born the child whose father was a Scotchman, and whose mother was a Cherokee Indian. No one would have ever expected that this child would be anyone of importance, anymore than those who thought the child born north of there in a little log cabin was to become a great president, who was Abraham Lincoln. And neither would people have thought in that same area one of the world's greatest generals would be born further north were this child was. And had been born farther north from where this child was born and that was the great Stonewall Jackson of the Confederacy. We would have not thought that Daniel Boone would never have become a great man either. And no one thought that the name of this child would resound always through the ages to come. This child born there in 1806, in Tennessee. This child being of Indian heritage was forced to come west when the great migration of the Five Nations started. And the Cherokees were the first to start it. They came out into western Arkansas on these migrations. In 1829 the Chisholm family was living in the region of Fort Gibson. It was here that this child that we mentioned, Jesse Chisholm, grew to manhood. In no time he became noted as a hunter, and as a trail blazer and a trail finder. He helped lay out the trail from Fort Gibson down to Fort Towson,