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Informants: Sam Dicke, Cheyenne
Ruth Brown Dicke, Seminole-Creek

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Side A and B:

BEGINNING OF HIS EARLY LIFE

(This is Boyce Timmons and I'm in the home of Mr. Sam Dicke in El Reno, Oklahoma. And Mr. Dicke is a Cheyenne and we're going to visit here this morning about some of his experiences and some of his early life. He's going to bring it up to date on things that he is writing on concerning Indian affairs, television and so forth. And this is March 2, 1969.

STORIES OF HOW HIS PEOPLE CAME TO INDIAN TERRITORY AFTER THE SAND CREEK MASSACRE IN 1864

(Now Sam, let's just visit here awhile and--you told me, let's see, where were you born?)

Watonga, Oklahoma.

(What year?)

1902.

(And on what day of the month?)

About October 25, 1902.

(Now you're--what were your parents names, your father and mother?)

Well, my father's name was Sitting Bear.

(Sitting Bear? Did any of your people that you talked with or do you know anything about--do you know anything about any of the stories any of them told about coming to Oklahoma? Did you ever hear them talk about the old days when they brought them to Oklahoma? Settle them on the reservation. Did you ever hear any of the old people talk about that?)

Well, I've heard several of the old Indians talk about how they were came to what is now Oklahoma.

(It was Indian Territory then wasn't it?)