

And we did settle it and saved over a million dollars. That's in the treasury of the United States drawing 4% interest and it belongs to the Cherokee people. In addition there has been money that no one ever claimed. All the heirs died or moved away and that ran into several hundred thousand dollars. All that money belongs to the Cherokee tribe and the congress said it could be used with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior who is the guardian of us all with projects that will benefit the Cherokee people.

VALUE OF NEW INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX PROJECT

So Chief Keeler decided, and the Secretary of the Interior approved it, at first in Tahlequah they would build an industrial complex where Cherokees could work; Where Cherokees have been working. I've been there personally I was there yesterday. I go there once a week. I like to see those full bloods with good jobs. I have become to know them. I asked the manager or the boss whatever you call him, what about that Cherokee yonder. He would check his record and he tells me frequently, yes that's John so and so. Earl, he's got nine children. He hasn't had a job in 18 months. Yonder is a full blood laying brick, on that building. That's Bill so and so. He's got 7 children, he hasn't had a job in 16 months and that's the record. Those Cherokees go up there now and they are happy and they're drawing good wages and they are not spending their money on whiskey. Their taking their money and feeding their families. That's project. Every young child in this audience, I prophesy, as well as you mothers and fathers will live to see the day when you will feel that's your greatest and most proudest accomplishment as a member of this great tribe. That project which sits south of Tahlequah, north of Sequoyah school an institution which we sold at statehood to the government of the United States when they tore up our tribe by Federal law. It's the day of a great and beloved and respected institution,