

then he was judge, District Judge.

(Then you lived down on the river?)

Well, above the dam, low water dam, I guess it must be about 3/4 of a mile right -

(And it was called Markham's Ferry?)

Markham's Ferry, yes.

ORPHAN ASYLUM

(Was it your grandfather who built the old orphan asylum?)

Well, way it is - he had three-story building there. When he died, the heirs sold it to the Cherokee Nation and they built wings on it - east and west of the north, and his house, his home right in the middle, you see, joined up to it. And that's where they built for the orphan asylum. And the orphan asylum then was down below Tahlēquah there, out there where the old - what was that school there?

(That was the first - Sequoyah was the first orphan asylum then?)

Yeah. And they took it for the insame asylum after they bought that up there ... (words not clear).

(Sequoyah then was at one time an insane asylum for Cherokee Nation?)

Yeah, that's right. And first it was orphan asylum and insane after that.

(Let's see, Joe Thompson was first superintendent there at the orphan asylum?)

Yeah.

ROADS AND SECTION LINES

(Who was some of the other (not clear))

((Static interference))...Red Cloud. Now, I have heard him talk about being there when his dad was there, and I believe he was the first one. Then Joe Thompson was there. Well, they didn't go back there, but after statehood they did. Opened up section lines. That was in 1908, wasn't it? 1907 or 8. When was statehood?

(In 1907, I think.)