

Harjo was already fightin' with them and goin' on--they'd go on the front--
(Chitto Harjo was with these people, and he was still fighting the soldiers?)
And they was in behind him and comin' along, but naturally the soldiers was
behind them, you see--

(Now, your mother must have come out a number of years after your father came
to this country?)

Could be, could be.

ABOUT BOTH PARENTS DURING CIVIL WAR:

(Now, then, from the time he was 12 years old and the time he was 36 years,
there's a span of 24 years-- did your father mention what he did during that
time?)

No, he didn't say nothin' about what he done--no more than, he was just, he was
just a laborer cut wood and chop cotton, such things like that--

(Did he mention to you when he first came here that the Seminoles were with
the Creeks around Ft. Bigson?)

No, I didn't know anything about the Creeks until I got to be a big boy--I
didn't know about any tribe at all, but just the Seminoles.

(Well, now, your mother came out before the Civil War too, didn't see?)

Uh--she did--

(She had to if she came out with the Seminoles--cause about 1847 was when the
last group of Seminoles came out from Florida. So when the Civil War started
then, your father, did he talk to you about going north with Chupeo's forces
to Kansas?)

No, he talked about this Chupeo but he didn't say whether he went or not, but
anywah, he fought with them, and that's when he talked about riding this ostrich.
How it was so thicked through, you know, timber, lot of timber and stuff then.
And he was riding this ostrich.

(Now, I believe you mentioned that Chitto Harjo was with--that your father
fought with the same outfit he was with--)

Fought with the same that Chitto Harjo with--they was really on Chitto Harjo