

(That was before your time.)

Before my time, uh huh, but I've heard of the old Ramsey Mission a lot, that Scared Heart Mission, I don't know nothin' about where it's at niether.

(It's over in Pottawatomie County, around St. Louis-~~e~~)

I just heard of that, never did know where they at.

REMINENCES OF PARENTS:

(Do you remember any more stories that your father or mother told about--well, do you remember anything at all about the Civil War days, that your father might have told you about? Or do you remember any stories that he told you about Chitto Harjo, Crazy Snake?)

No, my mother talked more about Chitto Harjo. Course daddy say, yeah, I fought with him, he's a good warrior. My mother and them, that side, seems like thought more of Chitto Harjo than any of the rest of 'em--talk about how he fought and how he done, the colored boys, the colored boys was with him, you know. And how he trated them all so nice. How them boys just stayed in there and help him fight. But daddy, he didn't talk too much about him--just say he's a good warrior. That's all he'd say. But now, just like I say, he never did seem like want to let on too much about hisself. He was just that kind of a man--like I say, I don't know a thing about none of his people, he didn't tell us his daddy's name, none of his brothers, or if he had sisters nothing.

(Did he ever talk about working on plantations while he was a slave?)

No, he didn't talk much about the plantation part, but he told us a lot about how they used to sell the slaves.

(Tell me about what he told you.)

Well, he said they'd sell slaves there just like they sell cattle now. Put 'em up on a black, other people would come in from different places and bid on 'em. You know. And they see, seen a lot of mothers sold off from their children, fathers sold off from their wives and children and some other parties buy 'em you know. Take 'em some place else, they don't know where they goin'. And he told me about a woman in Okmulgee here--before he died said he heard of a woman in Okmulgee. well, I didn't even know where Okmulgee was--didn't know there was such a name. Said they sold her