

son, little boy, off from her. Then after everything, they got freed, they got to migrating around. This woman and this boy met up--this man was a whole lot younger than the woman, all right, but they just fell in love, somehow. Before they got married she found out that was her son. He had some kind of a scar back of his neck, something there, and she finally seen it, and she knew that must have been her son.

(Now, she was sold at Okmulgee, Oklahoma?)

No, she was sold back down there, but then still, they--

(Oh, they met in Okmulgee after the war?)

Breedman, after they freedmen come over. Yeah, they fell so much in love, that they were bound to get married she seen that scar back of his neck and know that must be her son. Find out, tracing it down, found out that he was sold when he was a little boy, sold off from her.

SLAVES TREATMENT:

(Well, what about the life of the slaves of the Seminoles in Oklahoma? Now did they consider themselves slaves?)

No, these Seminoles they didn't consider them slaves. They just considered them one of the family. Because my mother said they'd just beat this corn, grind this corn, they'd cook, and they'd just all set down and eat, and they'd just all go and lay down and they'd sleep get up the next morning, but in a little patch of corn, or something out that away, let's all get out there, and they'd work while it's cool, you know, get hot, go back in the shade.

(Well, now, your people had the same rights and privileges here, even before statehood or before they became freedmen as Indians--I understand they could pick any spot of land they wanted to, build a house, farm it, they were free, just as free as the Seminoles before the Civil War. Did your mother talk anything about after the days--well, she didn't live during the Civil War, did she?)

Oh, she must be come along--yeah, she was here, I think during that time, cause that's when they were doing all that fightin' --I was telling you about.

(Did she go to Kansas too?)

No, I don't think they made it to Kansas, they just come from Florida, through.