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JOANNA NAVE PARRIS, CHEROKEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS STORIES ABOUT PARKHILL COMMUNITY HISTORY

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

PARKHILL COMMUNITY

BORN IN 1888 IN A LOG HOUSE

SCHOOL AND MORE ABOUT THE GROWTH OF PARKHILL

TRAVEL IN EARLY DAYS

REMINISCENCES - PLACES AND BUILDINGS

MANY MEMENTOES BUT NO TIME YET FOR SCRAPBOOK

OLD HOME WAS HEWED LOG HOUSE

PROCESS FOR PRESERVING AND DRYING FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

MAKING HOMINY, GRATED MEAL AND KRAUT

INDIAN CORN

WHAT IS DOG CORN

DRYING PEACHES AND APPLES

FISH POISONING - OBTAINING FISH FOR FOOD

LAMENTS THE TREATMENT OF INDIANS BY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

DISLIKES DRESS STYLES FOR WOMEN TODAY

GRIST MILLS AND TOLL CHARGE

SIGNS OF WHIPPOORWILLS AND DOVES

WHAT IS A LOCUST LIKE

STOMP DANCE WAS A RELIGIOUS CEREMONY IN EARLY DAYS

NEVER HEARD OF CHEROKEE JEWELRY

MORE REMINISCENCES

ROOTS AND HERBS FOR MEDICINE IN EARLY DAYS

MOTHER AND FATHER COULD NOT TALK CHEROKEE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Joanna Nave Parris was born in 1888 in Old Parkhill Community, Indian Territory, which is now Cherokee County, Oklahoma. She is a great granddaughter of Chief John Ross. Mrs. Parris attended school at the Old Parkhill Presbyterian Mission and Baptist Mission and still lives a short distance from where she was born.

Note; The other interview on this tape is: John Armstrong, Cherokee