

T-305-2 (Second of Two Interviews)

LINDSEY MAYES, CHEROKEE

INTERVIEWED BY: J. W. TYNER

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GENERAL SUBJECT: GRAND RIVER; FERRY BOATS; LOCUST GROVE COMMUNITY;
EDUCATION

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

HOGAN INSTITUTE - SUBSCRIPTION SCHOOL

BRIDGES ACROSS GRAND RIVER - HE WORKED HARD TO GET THEM

SALT WELLS IN THE AREA

PLENTY OF TIMBER IN EARLY DAYS - HELPED SAW LOGS AND FLOAT
THEM DOWN RIVER TO FORT SMITH

LIVED IN THE AREA ALL OF HIS LIFE AND HAS SEEN MANY CHANGES

SCHOOLING AT CHEROKEE MALE SEMINARY - 1904-1908 - BOARD
SIDEWALKS

PROUD OF FIREPLACE IN HIS HOME - SHOWED PICTURES OF HIS
BROTHERS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Lindsey Mayes was 78 years of age at the time of this interview. He lives near Locust Grove, Oklahoma and was born and reared in this area. His father, Wash Mayes, was High Sheriff of the Cherokee Nation. He attended Hogan Institute and Cherokee Male Seminary. Two of his uncles, Joel Mayes and Samuel Mayes were early day Cherokee Chiefs.

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