

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

(August 9, 1968. Today I am visiting with Lindsey Mayes, a 78 year old Cherokee of rural Locust Grove, Oklahoma. Mr. Mayes tells of the Hogan Indian Institute, Subscription Schools, ferries on Grande River, salt wells in area and many interesting things regarding Indian life. Along--)

HOGAN INSTITUTE - SUBSCRIPTION SCHOOL

I imagine that it must have been about 75 or 100. Used to go to school out there.

(You used to play baseball with them up there?)

No, I didn't play with them, but they had a team. We had a team down here one time, but I didn't play. I was too young. We went up there and played. I went along and saw the game. Boys played real well.

(It was a big school, was it?)

It was--well it was--

(Was it all one building or--?)

Well, as far as I know it was just one building. Don't think they had any dormitory. It was two-story school. (Sentence not clear).

(Is Hogan Institute--when was it started?)

Well, I don't know. It started I guess, I can't hardly remember, I can't remember when it was built. It was built about the time I was a little kid. A fellow named Crawford that built it. He was the main guy--he was preacher. He was the one that had the school built.

(Was it just one building?)

Yeah, it was just like any other country school. Sounds like a big Institute you know, but it was just a one room school. About seven years ago, they couldn't use it for anything and they use to have church there. The people fell out, the church people, they went over on the highway to build another