

was accompanied by Crosslin Smith, of the tribal office, and I was surprised that the amount of money our Cherokee people have earned as a part of these programs that are going to be a part of the future to this particular locality of northeastern Oklahoma where the Cherokees are concentrated. The information will be circulated, of course, to the various tribal representatives in the various tribal communities, and to me, I think, that this represents another real bit of life, because here for the first time you've been able, the tribe has been able, to have in its hand information about how much money is being spent and where it's going. And when you folks have a chance to review it, you folks are going to feel just as proud as I felt last night when I saw these figures. One of the things that I believe is some of you have realized that along with Senator Monroney's talk about the development of the Arkansas River, we already have some new industries in the Cherokee Country. Those new industries are making headway, they are making in terms of increasing growing larger and requiring more people, and, of course, the Cherokees are given the first opportunities to fill those jobs. The Cherokees are involved through advance in loans in some manner or another, and in some way or the other most of these cases continue this program to develop industry so our people if they don't want to leave the state of Oklahoma, will have the opportunity to stay right here and grow with the state. Now, one of the greatest advantages I feel that has been made and one that I physically want to attach myself to, and in closing and that is, I think that the elections on the part of the entire community here in Cherokee County has represented is the forerunner of the situation in which the Cherokee can participate in the regular democratic processes to elect all of their representatives. Now, I don't mean to take away one iota of credit to the many people who have served