

T-309-1 (First of Two Interviews)  
BENNIE WHITEDAY, EASTERN SHAWNEE  
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GENERAL SUBJECT: STATEHOOD LAW; SHAWNEE HILLS COMMUNITY; WILD  
GAME; SCHOOLS; BURIAL PLACES

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION  
EARLY DAY CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS  
EARLY DAY CHEROKEE, SHAWNEE, AND DELAWARE GOVERNMENTS  
EARLY DAY CONDITIONS - ROADS, CATTLE BRANDS, ETC  
TRADING POSTS FAR APART  
PLENTY OF DIFFERENT KINDS OF FOOD AT STOMP DANCE  
EARLY DAY SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES  
WILD TURKEYS, DUCKS, GEESE, AND OTHER BIRDS, FOWL AND  
ANIMALS  
EARLY DAY LIGHTING AND HEATING IN THE HOME  
INCIDENT OF THE COLORED BOY AT CRAWFISH  
HAWKS AND GROUND ANIMALS  
COODY'S BLUFF  
RODEO AT ALLUWE  
IN EARLY DAYS, A GOOD MEAL FOR 25 CENTS  
MUZZLE LOADER GUNS  
EARLY DAY PRICES - LIVESTOCK, FOOD, CLOTHES  
OLD INDIAN CEMETERIES  
NEARLY ALL OLDER INDIANS ARE GONE  
HOME MEDICINES AND VISITING SICK FOLKS  
REMEDIES FOR VARIOUS NEEDS  
STORMS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Bennie Whiteday was born in 1886. He is a full blood Eastern Shawnee and was born and raised in Carsolowry Prairie, Craig County, Oklahoma and still lives on a part of his original land allotment. He attended a country school at Long Prairie and at Carsolowry. Mr. Whiteday is a retired farmer.

Note: The other interview on this tape is: Cherokee National Holiday