

INFORMANT: BERT SPADE, CHEROKEE

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BRIEF INTRODUCTION

(November 14, 1968. Today, I am visiting with Bert Spade, a 64 year old full blood Cherokee Indian of Spade Hollow Community, Delaware County, Oklahoma. Mr. Spade has been a life long resident of this area. He tells his story of his observations and events of Indian life that he has known.)

Went to school down at Rocky Mountain.

(Yeah)

OLD LOG HOUSES - EARLY DAY COMMUNITY - SPADE HOLLOW

It's an old school house. Rocky Mountain school house, south of east of there, down in the hollow.

(Yeah)

And there's a church house there, sitting on the hill like. And a few trees there. Hickory nut trees. Last year they were just loaded down.

(Well)

And this year only one tree had a few on it and squirrels got them all.

(Laughter)

(Well)

(Not clear)

(Yeah)

(Not clear) kinda tear that up. Light it up. And I said they'd never believe that now. I been studying back then. My grand parents. How they lived and on up 'till now.

(Yes. This old log house down here. Was that some of your folks house?)

Yes that was my home.