

INTRODUCTION

February 20, 1969. Today I'm visiting with Frank Warren, a 77-year old Cherokee of Peggs Community, Cherokee County, Oklahoma. Mr. Warren has lived in this area nearly all of his life and he speaks of many experiences and events in this part of the old Cherokee Nation.

CEMETERIES - BURIED MONEY

Did you ever go to the Swimmer graveyard?

(Yeah.)

Lost City?

(In Lost City.)

Mrs. Warren: Hulbert--there's an old graveyard down towards Hulbert called--
New Hope.

(No, I don't know it. What do they call it?)

New Hope.

(New Hope.)

I've heard of that place. East from Hulbert. Out towards Shady Grove.

(Yeah.)

Mrs. Warren: Come back this way then east. That's an old graveyard.

(Well.)

And there's an old graveyard--Indian graveyard up here. It's Dan Redbirds

graveyard. An old Indian. They claimed he had lots of money you know. They buried with him. Dad, he's got a place down there where the graveyard was.

House wasn't over 50 yards from it. There's an old Indian over on Black-

bird over there, name of John Hicks. He was old and he got to hunting money.

He had him one of these mineral rods, you know. He got to hunting money.

He come over by one day and we kept seeing him pacing around out yonder around

that graveyard--me and my brother we was plowing out west of him a little

ways.