

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

(February 18, 1969. Today I'm visiting with Frank and May Casto, 82 and 81 year old Cherokees of White Oak community of Craig county, Oklahoma. These two senior citizens tell of many things about early day Oklahoma, and their Indian Territory. They have lived in this country all of their lives, and know of what they speak.)

DISCUSSION OF A RECORD BOOK FROM TIMPSON CHAPEL

-- so we went back -- (observing a record from the Timpson Chapel.)

May: Mrs. Casto, was that her father?

Frank: No, that's R. E., what is that, no that's that first preacher.

Huh? E. R. Hendrix. That was the, other preacher, wasn't it?

(Way back in 1891.)

May: Bill Hendrix, W. B Austin, Yeah.

Frank. That was the first preacher.

(First preacher, well.)

May: So we went on, you see, when the old -- .

(And then B.J. Hilderbrand, 1893, was the preacher of Timpson Chapel.

Say that's a wonderful record. While I think about it, J.P. Butler was preacher in 1908-1909. Aaron Butler, preacher 1910,1911, and -- .

Frank: That's Butler again, ain't it?

(A.H. Butler, yeah 1912. Well my goodness. Well isn't that a wonderful record.)

Frank: That's the marriage record part of it is, can't hardly see it.

(Then the beginning of the register of marriages at Timpson chapel in 1891 August 9, Wah Dick and Sarah Norris. Married by Rev. Barry Timpson.)

Frank: Yeah. Now there's, that's the only record we got of Barry now.

(Well, my goodness. Then the next one William B. Woodall and Maggie Rogers.