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DANIEL DOWNING, CHEROKEE
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GENERAL SUBJECT: CEMETERIES AND TOWNS OF THE CHEROKEE NATION; SCHOOLS;
SOME EARLY FAMILY HISTORY

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION
CONCERNING CEMETERIES AND FAMILY NAMES
CONCERNING NEGRO SEMINARY
EARLY DAY TREATMENT OF PRISONERS
ATTENDED SEVERAL DIFFERENT SCHOOLS
JACK LUTHER, NEGRO, PEDDLED SPRING WATER FOR TEN CENTS
PER BARREL
IT WAS QUITE AN EVENT TO RIDE THE TRAIN TO MUSKOGEE TO
ATTEND THE BARNUM AND BAILY CIRCUS
RECALLS NAMES OF MANY PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Daniel Downing is 79 years of age. He was born in the Tahlequah area and spent his boyhood in Cherokee County. Mr. Downing has lived in Double Springs near Hulbert and has worked in Tulsa for 30 years and is now retired and lives in Chouteau, Oklahoma. He attended schools at the Baptist Mission School, Haskell Institute and the Cherokee Male Seminary.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Fannie Whiteday, Cherokee
Ned Downing, Cherokee
Clara Ward Robinson, Cherokee