

YELLOWHEAD, KELLY

INTERVIEW

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Interview with Kelly Yellowhead
An Euchee Man. 7 miles of Kellyville
Rufus George, Field Worker.
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Kelly Yellowhead says: The Euchee tribe of Indians in early times didn't know very much about electing officers, but they did know enough to select men who they thought were capable of being leaders of the tribe.

Whenever they got ready to have an election of officers they would set a date to have a big Indian stomp dance and let all of the Eucheas hear the announcement for the day to come to elect officers for the tribe.

When that day came the Indians would meet at the square ground for the election of officers. They would pick out three men of the tribe and those men would have to be of good responsibility. The Chief would announce the officers to be elected. The man who got the most right hand votes would be the one elected as chief or committeeman for the tribe. They elected other officers by the same method of voting.