



Ben Cha te's call was with regard to John Spaan for the Executive Officer position in the Oklahoma City Area Office of the Public Health Service's Indian Health division.

Dr. Rabeau took the new director, Dr. Robinson, to present him to the Five Civilized Tribes at a meeting at Talihina yesterday. Bill Anderson attended.

Ben said someone named Tom Gilmore was leaving impression he was in the race for Executive Officer at our suggestion or something like that.

I explained to Ben that we have recommended Mr. Spaan from the start...No one else....If Mr. Spaan can't be it, we wanted someone, preferably an Oklahoma Indian, well qualified, etc.

Ben said they're trying to get out of giving the job to John Spaan by ~~me~~ using Indian Preference out...

clw

4-13-67

