

Inventory Number: tta0182ff2			Center for Popular Music – Audio Log
Media: Uncompressed Digital Audio – DVD			
Title: Interview with Nathan "Dick" Bankston			Source: Originally recorded to Side 1 7" reel of 1/4" X 1800' tape at 3 3/4 i.p.s. – left channel only by Gayle Dean Wardlow.
Date: August 23, 1967			
Time:			
Place: Memphis, TN			Transferred to 10" reel of 1/4" tape – 2 track mono @ 7 1/2 ips by Bruce Nemerov. Audio digitization by Martin Fisher. Historical Consulting and description – Tyler DeWayne Moore.
Bankston played with Willie Brown and others.			
Time In	Track	Title/Description	Artist or Interviewee
		cpm_94048_tta182ff_010201_pres_19670813NathanDickBanks1	
00.00.00	1	Banks biographical information; His true name is Nathan, born in 1897 near Crystal Springs; He moved from Hinds County to Drew in 1963;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
00.01.08	2	Bankston played fiddle in 1910; He played with Willie Brown;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
00.02.27	3	First meeting with Charlie Patton around 1914; Brown played with Patton before Bankston did; Wardlow informs Banks that he is very famous around Drew, MS;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
00.05.12	4	Some of Bankston's songs were recorded by TJ and Patton;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
00.05.48	5	Wardlow plays Tommy Johnson's Bye & Bye & Maggie Campbell Blues records for Bankston; Bye & Bye Blues was recorded in natural tuning; Bankston claims that he did not play with Tommy Johnson "none"; Wardlow really tries to tie TJ's lyrics in with Bankston's musical style; Bankston says that he took those songs from TJ - not the other way around;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
00.12.18	6	Wardlow plays Cool Drink Of Water record; Bankson reiterates that these verses were TJ's - not Bankston's; The only song TJ may have used of Bankston's repertoire was Bye Bye Blues; Bankston's former employer in Drew said that he was a very good worker - Bankston liked that; Wardlow plays Big Road Blues;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
00.18.27	7	Wardlow attempts to identify the Willie Brown that Banks knew; Wardlow attempts to differentiate between a smaller and a larger Brown;	Nathan "Dick" Bankston

00.19.45	8	<p>Wardlow asks about Patton and plays a Willie Brown record; Wardlow asks about how much Patton smoked in those days; Bankston was a clownner at heart; he put his guitar behind his head and played guitar; Wardlow play <i>Future Blues</i> by Brown; Wardlow talks about Brown's death certificate and tries to rationalize the existence of Brown; Wardlow plays Brown's <i>M&O Blues</i>; Wardlow asks about Kid Bailey and plays <i>Rowdy Blues</i>; he also plays <i>Mississippi Bottom Blues</i>;</p>	Nathan "Dick" Bankston
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