

"Did you ever get caught?"

Oh, yes.

"What would they do then?"

Oh, I've got punished by my mother for doing it, but the owner of the place didn't say much, you know. But, I know, I got a few whippings.

"I guess that's a pretty common thing. I used to get into the neighbor's cherry tree."

So, we really don't have any problems, I guess, among the Choctaws. They realize now, I think, that education and their health problems. . . other things comes with it. They got a lot to look forward to and in the public school, they been preached to them what should be done--this and that. I think they really learning.

"You know, among the Choctaws, do most of the people marry other Choctaws?"

Oh, yes. You know white ladies marry another Choctaw. Choctaw marry another whites or other Indian tribe.

"There's quite a bit of intermarriage?"

Oh, yes.

"Isn't there any feelings among the Choctaws about that? Do some people think maybe they should just marry other Choctaws?"

No, they don't. They don't, and I think that's good. I mean that's going to help them, to get out. White women (not clear) or Indian marrying. I think they going to get along better than if Indians all just marry Indians. I believe that's going to help them a lot.

"How do you think it's going to help?"

Well, such as if an Indianman wanted a job, then he's qualified for the job and we'll say a white woman knew somebody who's on the firm. My husband is qualified to do that job. Well, that will give him an opportunity to get into that firm.

"That's right."

I think that's going to help a lot. Well, in years to come, I think, most of