

He was about 6'5":

(Well, his brother was a big man.)

You never saw one of that branch of the Buffingtons, but what was big men.

(That's right.)

EARLY DAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Those school teachers. Then everybody had a crown. The stars in their crown, they should have.

(They deserve it. With all they had to put up with.)

We had a school teacher here. Down here at Couch. Oh, we had a big old man teacher come down there. He was going to straighten 'em out. There's a boy...people name of Baker. He came there with a six shooter. And David Baker backed him up. Well, that durn-- He way laid that boy. He was big though. He was around six feet. We knew he had to go to the toilet sooner or later. So, we way laid him at noon. He came out, and when he did, before he knew what happened, we had him down. This teacher, he heard a commotion. When out there to see what it was all about. He saw us come up with this six shooter. He took out the west door and we never did see him again.

(Boy, them poor school teachers.)

I'll tell you who finally straightened it out. Little old dried up Indian teacher, he wouldn't weigh 125 pounds. He lived down here on Tad creek. I can't think of his name right now, but Lee Couch could tell you. Well, we all took turn about sweeping the school out. Well, it came to these Mantooth girls. They weren't anybody's servants. They wasn't sweeping that out. Teacher said, now, you're no better than the rest of 'em. None of 'em hollered about it. It's your turn and you're going to sweep it. Well, boy, he had some switches about as big as your thumb, about six feet long. They swept it.