

side and they boys on the west. That sidewalk was the deadline. You couldn't talk to girls. Your own sister; you couldn't. You had to have a special permit.

(What happened to you if you did talk to girls?)

They punished you.

(How would they do that?)

They make you work. You know, when all the other boys was off, you had to be on the punish list. And them boys had to saw wood. They had wood there. I don't know, about 100 racks of wood, and they had a little saw had saw.

(How many students were at Cantonment when you were there?)

At that time I think there was about 115.

(About how many boys and about how many girls were there?)

Well, I think there was about oh, about 50 girls and a balance of boys.

(Did your parents send you or did you want to go, or who went there?)

Well, we was forced to go. You know these public schools, they wasn't open to the Indians. The Indians had to go to a Boarding school, a government school. And that's how come we had to go to Cantonment, to these boarding schools. When I first went I was ten years old. Now I think it was 1912 when I left there, when I got to Chilocco. Those first two years were pretty rough.

(Did you ever try to leave?)

Yes, one time I did. Well the reason why I left..you know supper time we was all eating supper and the disciplinarian he came up there and he pinched me on the side. I said, "Watch it, it hurts." That's all I said. And by God, he sent me to the superintendent over it. And the superintendent told me never to talk back to the employees. And I told him,