

SEQUOYAH TRAINING SCHOOL IN EARLY DAYS

(You said you went to Sequoyah at one time?)

Yeah. Sequoyah Training School. Sequoyah Training School. It was called Cherokee Orphanage. This Salina orphanage burned up in November 1907. No, 1903 and then the following 1904 I went to Sequoyah and it was still nobody but Cherokees went there. But we did have one of them, and wasn't supposed to be nothing but orphans, but there was. There were some day scholars out there at the Woodall Settlement, there was a bunch of Woodall's and Hendricks'. There wasn't no school closer to the settlement till after statehood, you know. Then they had a school built--it's about half way between the Woodall's and Nubbin Ridge.

(Nubbin Ridge?)

Nubbin Ridge.

(That's it. I know where that one is.)

I been down there to church and Sunday school, but I never was down there when they had that school. Doc Lester was the preacher there. But I'd like to go back to Sequoyah. Jack was superintendent out there for 20 years, but I never did get out there while he was there. I went out there about 10 or 12 years ago on the day they laid that foundation. But I never could rouse anybody to talk to me.

MORE PERSONALITIES

(You knew Bob Stafford didn't you?)

Yeah, I knew him.

(When you go down there, stop in that arts and crafts center and his boy is the manager there. His name is Sampson.)

Well, is that in Tahlequah or out--?

(Out eight north of Park Hill--well, next door to the Sequoyah center. He had another brother out here, I think. I can't think what his name was.)