

They are. There's one Dr. Banks, you've heard of him haven't you. He's pretty well off. He lives in close to Melvin. Lots of 'em like that around Hulbert.

(You know there was a bunch of colored people that originally came with the Cherokees from Georgia and they took Cherokee names like Ross, and Vann and --well, they were all good folks.)

Yeah, some of them could talk Cherokee.

(Oh yes, some of them could talk Cherokee.)

I know one that could talk Cherokee that was Sam Roberts, you've heard of him?

(Yeah, and old Stick Ross could talk Cherokee.)

And Ben Gromit, you ever heard of him. He was married to white woman. They had three daughters, the prettiest looking girls I've ever seen in my life. They was half white and half nigger.

(Yeah, one of those Carlisle boys was telling us about him the other day. And he remembers those girls.)

They were sure pretty.

(He said they were sure pretty women.)

(Name not clear) talked as good Cherokee as I can. He was an old man-- he probably lived to be a hundred.

(That old Stick Ross, he lived to be a hundred and eight.)

Yeah, he lived around Tahlequah.

(He used to work for that male seminary when my folk went to school down there. He took care of the garden and worked in the yard around there.

He was an old man then.)

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