

mad. (Laughter).

MISS O'CONNOR, A MATRON

That matron used to--she was domestic--what they call domestic science then, teacher. We'd go over to her house and just clean her house all up. That was our work. One time Norma Jean's mother said, "Oh, Miss O'Conner you just want your old house cleaned. That's the reason you got us over here." I never would have thought of that. She'd just pinch us. We were all blue--black and blue on our arms where she pinched us. She'd just get us there and just shake us.

Daughter: Is she the one that had the daughter--the big one you know?

Her niece. She had a brother, he was a little short one. His name was John. I guess they're dead and gone.

OTHER STAFF PEOPLE AT SCHOOL

Mr. Campbell's about the only one that's left that used to work up there. That's the one--

(Oh, did he work up there?)

Uh-huh. That's where and Mrs. Campbell got married. She worked and he worked out at the school.

(What kind of Indian was she?)

Chippewa. And I remember when Buddie was born. First time, these buggies or whatever they call 'em. We used to push 'em in the buggy, she'd bring him and we'd all push him.

Daughter: He's the one that used to march you all, didn't he?

Yeah, march us through snows and everything. (Laughter)

(I wonder why they did that?)

I don't know. They drilled us just like the boys. Get out there and this Mary Morris, and she's dead now. She was the captain. And even if she is dead she was mean. She'd be--one time it was snowing everywhere and she made us go off this slide. Just something she just done it--mean.