

(You remember anything about the chiefs of the Cherokees, the, Bushyhead, and Buffington, Rogers?)

No, I don't remember them. But I'll tell you what I did do when I went to school at the Seminary. You know they always made a speech in the fall, their governors or whatever they were. And the Seminary girls and boys had to march down to it. And I remember goin', what little I knew about it, when he talked. He talked, I remembered that, but I didn't know what he was talking about. But my father was a councilman down there. 'Course politics didn't interest the young people like it do these days.

(What was your father's name?)

Rider.

(What was his first name?)

Blue.

(Blue Rider.)

Buford Rider, his name's in them books.

(I remember reading it now.)

And my mother's name was Tyner, when she married my father, but he was Cherokee and so--

(What was your allotment?)

Well, wasn't it 160 acres or what was it... That's what it was.

(What county was yours in?)

It's between here and Adair, let's see, I don't know, Coo-wees-scoo-wees county. That's where it was.

SCHOOLS REQUIRED CHILDREN TO TALK ENGLISH

I know one time...they thought everybody's an Indian should talk Indian language, well, I never could say a word of it. I didn't know nothin'. And you know, they made them children quit that when they brought them to the Seminary, when they brought those full-bloods there. They didn't let them