

the mail could get there. Course they carried the mail by horseback through the country; and he says yes. Says you will come here on the first Monday of October. Choctaw Council will meet there, and you can, we'll see 'em. You come right on--you'll be gone four days, so get rid of what little you have. Horses, cows, hogs, guns, that's about my--that's what I had. So I done that...I was tickled about it. And, I took the train, I just had a little money left, not much, not very much, course, I helped my mother, she a widow, she hate to see me go, but I come on anyway, went to his house, met him on the road. When I got on the train at Wister, he was on there, he and his family, goin' back to Tuskaoma Female school, he had already a school there. So we went on. That was about I guess, about near school time. Anyway, we went, I went with him. And first Monday in October, why, I went with him and we went to the Council House. Where the present Council House meeting is. And there were a lot of people there, meeting already and get together some of these leaders, four or five of them, and they came to the camp there. We, they talked to me about--said yes, yes, we'll give school help. You won't go way off like your uncle did, but you'll get a school. Four-years when you go...you must go, don't quit, because it won't be easy job, I'm sure, but you go prepared. And I was just taken charge. He said you wait until the Council adjourned, that was, they were there 30 days, every two years. So, I stayed around there 'til they adjourned. But about a week before the adjournment, they called on me again, says, I'm sorry, but we're out of money, and we have to withcall the students that's already out. You see we had, the Choctaws, the Choctaw Nation had 25 students all the time, course, not the same ones, sometimes some of them go there and get tired and quit. And you'd have to replace him. But anyway there's 25 students, different schools, not near, but this one here that I was to get was originally