

Second Speaker: The chief will have something to say in just a minute. And we want to get these presentations all at one time so he won't have to say so much. Mr. Boyce Timmons, from Oklahoma University, has something he wants to say.

Mr. Timmons: Thank you Mr. Chairman. We have heard quite a few comments today about the hard work Chief Belvin has done in Public Health Service. And everybody can attest to that. But I want to tell you about his hard work and dedication in the field of education. Many times the University of Oklahoma in the last, almost thirty years, we've had Indian meetings of both young people. He's been my Rock of Gibraltar. I needed somebody, his inspiration, if he's got the support of Indian Education, I call on Chief Belvin. Through the University of Oklahoma and American Indian Institute at the University we want to present special recognition to Harry J. W. Belvin, Principal Chief of the Choctaws. Appreciation of his accomplishments on behalf of this community. (words not clear)--made by his dedicatory service for the cause of the Indian of Oklahoma. (Applause)

Second Speaker: Chief Belvin for a long time has been the hope of our Choctaw people to (not clear) and the Choctaw New Testament. Through the efforts of a number of people, the World and Bible Society, (name not clear) of the Choctaw New Testament. And two days ago I was at a meeting with Thomas Johnson of the American Bible Society. He presented me a copy--the first copy to come off the press after this the second. He wanted me to present this to you as a memento of the American Bible Society. This is the Choctaw New Testament and is the first copy of this printing which will probably be the last printing of the Choctaw scriptures that will be made. So on behalf of Thomas Johnson of the American Bible Society, I am happy to present to you this copy which is really the quality of the first one of this printing to come from the press. (Applause)