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Cherokee Radio Hour----Tahlequah, Oklahoma----Cherokee Hymn Singing----13½ mins.

SIX YEARS OF SCHOOL - HEALTH OF WIFE

(This afternoon I'm interviewing a Mr. Charlie Sequoyah Guess. And Mr. Guess is from Delaware County. You spell it is, Guess.)

Oh yes. Guess. Live between Jay and Spavinaw.

(Well now Jay is close to Little Kansas, isn't it?)

No.

(Did you go to school up there?)

No. I just went to a country school. Didn't go to school much either--off and on, about six years, that's all.

(Well, now back when you were a kid, they didn't go to school very much, did they?)

Not much.

(Kids had to work a lot then, didn't they? Like in the Spring of the year, even if they were going to school, didn't they take them out to pick strawberries and stuff like that?)

Well, my father used to farm quite a bit and they'd take me out of school along 'bout in March. Keep me out rest of the time.

(How many children are there in your family?)

Well, I've got a little step-son and we got a couple boys of our own.

(Uh-huh)

The oldest is Melvin, Melvin Feseak,

(This is your family, your immediate family now, isn't it, your children?)

The oldest boy by the name of George. George Guess. George Douglas, when he signs his name.

(He was named after you, wasn't he?)