

Yeah.

(Did they whip you if you spoke like your Cherokee--your language.)

They didn't pay no attention to us, just like these other schools.

(I've heard some of them though--)

Tahlequah, I heard, they was that way, I don't know. I never been in there.

(Well, I know Deuce just before he died was telling me that they didn't like 'em to speak it at Sequoyah, long time ago.)

Maggie: He went to--

Yeah, he went up there, but I don't know about that either. I don't know nothing about Sequoyah. I been there lot of times. I never did go to school there. This place up there there was just--well, there was just five Cherokees in that school. The rest of 'em was different tribes. Seneca, Euchee and Seminole. I don't know, I couldn't name all of 'em. About 16 or 20 different tribes there.

MORE ABOUT FAMILY

(Well, how many was in your family, Hooley, brothers and sisters.)

Just me and my brother. All the kids.

(That's all. That's all the children she had.)

Yeah. Yeah, just two of us.

(Now your grandma--your grandmother was part white, wasn't she?)

Yeah, she was half.

(Half--was it Irish?)

She was a Frenchman.

(French. I remember you telling me before she's part French.)

Most all of her folks was just half-breed, wasn't they? All of 'em.

But from there on when I was born they put me down as full-blood, see.

(Well, everybody kept marrying with full-bloods again, didn't they.

So, you--)

Yeah, branching off. See, my daddy was supposed to been (static)--and