

(Imogene: Well, that's the way the Indians are.)

SENDING HER CHILDREN TO SCHOOL

Well, we finally got up to where we could help our kids. Our children, you know.

(Imogene: Well, as we come to six years old they had these schools open, you know--the boarding schools. And that's where they used to send us as we get up of age. There was a truant officer--his name was Dike (?)--out from Concho. And he'd come around and see that the children went when they were school age. Like then, she (Myrtle) didn't go to school till she was thirteen. But we had to go when we were six.)

(Did it cost anything to go to that boarding school?)

No, It didn't cost anything. And they had to go to Concho. There was a school here and I think just one--no, just three--of my kids went over here to Cantonment. That was Rosie and Louis and Hannibal. And then finally they went to Colony.

(Imogene: Tommy went there. He went to Colony. And then from there they start sending us to Concho. That's where the rest of us went. And it used to go to the ninth grade, then. And my two older brothers, they finished, and they start working around, too, you know. They don't go off to school. Then one of them got killed there at El Reno--the second to the oldest. And then they had this second World War and my oldest brother went and didn't come back. So she just had the one boy here. And he got killed here at Watonga.)

(How old were you when your mother died?)

Well, my mother died when I was thirteen. Thirteen years old.

(What was her name?)

They used to call her "Red Feather" in Indian. That was her Indian name. But