

has a different opinion. Now, as far as the leadership is concerned through the BIA or Cherokee chief, I'm going to put the BIA first now.

I look at it this way, to have leadership in the Cherokee Nation is a good nation and the leadership, in my opinion, would have to be a Cherokee Indian man. Now--

(Full blood?)

Yes.

(At least half or how do you think?)

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At least half, yes. So he can get right down to the problems of his Cherokee people. Now, that is the way I look at it. Now, the BIA officers, officials have white nationalities to look after their affairs, and they have very few Indian blooded people working. Now back, say, oh fifteen years ago, they were all white, now they got Cherokee Indian people working there now. Now, as far as the Cherokee chief is concerned, I don't believe, now this is my own opinion, I don't believe one-sixteenth, one-sixty-fourth or one thirty/second Indian blood would not do.

(Not quite enough, huh?)

Not quite enough, and it has to be about half Cherokee. The reason why I say that, he's got to get down here to see the problems of the Indian people, their welfare, their place in society. That is why I say that Mr. Keeler has done a little work that I know of very few things that he has done for the people, and I believe that he has more problems in mind for this big company that he has instead of the Cherokee Nation that he is supposed to be looking for. Now, that is my opinion. Now they have the Kee-too-wah Band chief, William Glory, which was selected by the Indian tribe. They voted on him. Now, our chief, W. W. Keeler, was not voted upon by this Cherokee Nation, he was hired say--

(By Harry S. Truman.)

By Harry S. Truman when he was president back, oh--when he was, oh, first