

there and. . . .

(Why don't you?)

It's just the way you are. It's just the way Indians are made, I guess.

I'd rather not say anything instead of. . . .

(Why don't you go raise hell with them every once in a while?)

That's what I said, see, just get up there and shout back and forth at each other. Indians aren't that type of people, they're a stoical people. They don't like to embarrass other people and they'll get jipped before they'll speak up. Of course I won't. I know better than that.

(You've been around whites long enough that you ought to know how to cope with them.)

Right, and the older people that haven't been educated, they're a proud people, they're a stoical people in their emotions and they're. . . they don't like to be stand out and if they think, going up there and raising hell with the faculty because we don't have an Indian Culture class, they think it's going to make you stand out too much. They don't want to do it. Now I don't know, this is my feelings on that. There's something we need, as you said, it's an Indian school. It's. . . they wouldn't been there. Well it might of been there but. . . .

(Well, it used to belong to the Cherokee Nation.)

Uh-huh, The Cherokee Female Seminary, that's where it began. And I think,

(The Indian students are in the thousands.)

We're going to start a, next semester they are having a language class.

(Well I heard about that this summer---where they're teaching the ah, some of the teachers that are going to be going out in the rural areas, in thickly populated Cherokee areas, you know, in the Elementary grades but now I'm wondering how effective that's going to be.)

Well, this is. . . .

(Do you know much about it?)