

smart and I was just a dumb old Indian boy and ah

(Of course that's not true.)

That's not true, that's right, but I think they have a tendency to whether or not they actually express it and actually think it, I think deep down this is part of their problem and the only way they can escape is to go down town and getting boozed up and feeling sorry for themselves. Next morning. . . .

(In other words, for awhile they escape they're problems?)

Not only that, they have their personal problems, like anybody else.

(Yeah.)

But I think it's because they lack self-confidence in themselves as a person, that they can't go out into the white man's world and live.

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(Well do you think, just like you said, back to the very beginning they think from the day they're born that the white boy's got it on 'em, really. And it starts out in the first, second and third grade because a lot of times these little children come from Cherokee speaking homes and they don't really even know what's going on in that class room, do they? For about 2 or 3 years.

Well now, do you think this Seminar or this workshop over here at Northeastern is going to help out along those lines?)

I didn't know they were going to have a workshop like that, was. . . .

(That program they have over there where they're teaching the teachers Indian Culture and they're supposed to be bringing in Indian Aids, Cherokee speaking Aids that's going to help out in the class room to interpret for these children.

Do you think that's going to help?)

Possibly it will. I think the only way those problems are going to be solved is through time.

(In other words they claim they're going to teach lessons in Cherokee. And English as a foreign language!)

Laughter. . . .