

them freely. And not even knowing them, I can meet people on the street and automatically talk to them. Like I said, my mother raised us to be this way: be forward and be helpful in any way that we might be helpful. And during all of this training, this is just the way we are. And I wouldn't be any other way. I know, even today, I can see Indians where they are shy, they hold back. And I just wish there was something I could do for them to bring them out of this backwardness. And I think I can analyze people, and I know I can. I have done this since I was a child. I can hear two parties talking. I do not have to know who the parties are, but I can usually figure out what type of person each party is. And nine times out of ten, I can tell you exactly what kind of persons they are. Or I can talk to them or just study them while I'm talking. I don't know what it is. Sometimes, I kind of get leery of myself and wonder, "Well, who am I? Am I really supposed to be here?" But as I talk to one of my friends, this is sort of a talent that's built within you. The Lord has gifted me with it which I appreciate very much. And, like I say, I enjoy talking to people, and associating with them, and trying to help them if I possibly can. It seems strange that we are the type of family that has come out and been as forward as we are. Like I say, dad is a full-blood Seminole, and my mother is Creek. And through all this, it would seem that we also would have this sort of approach to people. But all in all, I feel like it's the environment that you live on. It's the people that you associate with. It's your upbringing as your parents. And not only that, it's up to you whether you want to be forward or not. But, really, in growing up as a young child, it really is the parents' upbringing that brings you as to what you are. I don't mean to say or "down" any of the Indians. I associate with Indians very much. I don't speak the Indian language at