names. I know their Indian names, but them white folks--I
got up to fourth reader when my father died. That's as far as
I went in school. After my sister took me over, she never did
send me to school anymore. So, there's where I lost my edu-
cation. Now there was Eufaula boarding school and Euchee board-
ing school, New Arbor boarding school, Wetumka boarding school,
Tallahassee. I don't see why she didn't drop me in one of
those schools and forgot about me. I could have come out with
a good education. Instead she just kept me home. Never did
send me to school. So, that's how come I never did get no
education. Of course, after they licenced me to--ordained me
to preach a story, I sure studied the Bible. I got to where
I could read the Bible all right but business letter, I don't
know nothing about'em. You know not long ago Davy Orgy had
papers to fill out. He brought'em to my house. I got some
papers here to fill out. I want you to help me. Why them kind
of papers I always take'em to town. Let someone else up there
to fill'em out. I can't handle that kinda paper. (words in
Creek) So these boys, I told'em I don't want you all to be
like me (words in Creek)
(Interviewer speaks in Creek)
(words in Creek) I don't want you all to be like me now with-
out no education. They said--give'em a spanking. Send them
on. Well, in my days, we didn't have none of this day school
like we did. They build school all over the country after I
got grown you know. And then--now they closed'em all. Con-
solidate them. There wasn't no school then, but of course
there wasn't. Now this here school that I mention, boarding
school. They was out. I don't see why my sister didn't drop
me in one of them, but she just kept me home. I heard her
say, oh, he's just a orphan boy. He'll be runned over all the
time. (words in Creek) Never did send me to school. (sentence
in Creek) Got them fooled there.
(You look it)
(third) He looks intelligent.
(Yeah. He is intelligent)
About couple of times they tried to elect me in association or