

They drawed. They didn't run for that. And the next then was the Choctaw and the Chickasaw, Creek, and Seminole and Cherokee, but they come in different way, you know. You go in and locate your land and go and file on it or pay so much down and that's the way you settled that country then. And we live in dug-outs. Old half-dugouts and log houses, and old box houses. You can build a two-room box house. I know my daddy build one. It cost a hundred dollars--carpenter and all--work full--\$100--two-room box house. And most of the houses was log houses. All except ranch houses and ranch houses--the early day ranchers came in here, the lumber come out of Texas. Now there's an old ranch now, if I went back down into the old cowboys usin' it, from the highway, I can see that old ranch house--an old poke headquarters. So the cattle-man had all this country. You take this country here--Waggoner, Suggs and the Four Sixes. You close all this country in here (unintelligible) and the old circle's -- Three stripes and the old 3-S outfit (unintelligible) There it all is--Chickasaw Nation--on the western part of it. And all the schooling I got I went about, was in an old (?) dug out.

SCHOOLING:

Just had one book--old blue-back speller. And I never used to get any further than Baker, you know. They'd turn the book and then time I got back to Baker, though, school would be out. Come to find out, that's as far as the teacher could teach. They come out of Arkansas. They run 'em out of Arkansas and they send them out here to teach school, you know. Why to teach school--and I went to a school teacher and I--there was three boys, three brothers of 'em. They came out of Monte County, Texas Bowie, around Bowie and two of 'em worked on a ranch--they had a bunch of horses. One of 'em, he'd had enough education to teach school. They jest had one suit of clothes and the fix 'em all. If one wanted to make a trip, the others had to stay at home and let him wear it. And so he wore that one suit of clothes and taught school in an old half-dug-out. And our seats was split logs. Not (?) was some old--some old tie-hacker headed 'em out with a foot edge and bored holes in 'em and we sat on them old split logs. That's all our seat. And as I say, we jest had one