

that you understand - not enough of it to tell what they're trying to say.

Mrs. Oaks: And their younger ones don't speak it -

And there's another bunch down here, but it's mostly the older ones.

(Wonder if it's a partially or mainly through the churches that they've been able to keep the language I mean, you know, other than the fact that some of them speak Choctaw to each other at home, you know. And you say that some of the older ones speak to each other but their children don't know it. But I just imagine that - the publication of bibles and the hymnal in Choctaw that it's probably through the church that they've kept their Choctaw language, as active as it is.)

Mrs. Oaks: Our youngest son is - he used to be a teacher, - but now he's an administrator in a school in Decatur, Illinois. But he has a bible and song books too in Choctaw, but they were given to him by friends, older friends. He doesn't know a thing in the world about it. Has them for the curiosity of it.

(I hear yesterday about - well, maybe you know Mr. Henderson - Henry Henderson?)

Mrs. Oaks: Henry Henderson, yes we know him.

(He was telling me about translation of the Catholic Catechism that his father and maybe with the help of Peter Hudson that they made of the catechism. Have you ever seen a copy of that?)

Mrs. Oaks: No, I haven't.

I never did.

(He said he thought maybe he could find one - there was a catholic seminary or academy in Antlers and - but I guess it burned too, because. . . .)

It did. It burned down.

Mrs. Oaks: It did. But I think they're having school there.

I don't think so.

Mrs. Oaks: Well, you see quite a few Catholics up there and I didn't