

George--George W. Hawkins was superintendent when I went there. And when I quit it was Edward Swingle.

(Do you recall any of the teachers you had?)

Let's see, one, Miss Ferguson was one. And another one was Bowen. And, Swingle--a younger Swingle was there teaching. Miss Danielson was our dining room matron. Miss Doris.

INDIAN LANGUAGE AT SCHOOL

(Like most Indian schools, Charlie, would they--did they frown on Indians talking their--talking the Seminole language?)

I don't think so. But they were pretty strict with us.

(But you weren't punished for talking your native language?)

No. If that was all we knew at the time, why they excuse us for it--overlooked it. After we'd been there two or three years why we could--were able to express ourselves, why they would kind of bear down on us.

EXERCISE DRILLS AT CHILOCCO AND UNIFORMS

(Did they furnish clothing. Some sort of a uniform at Mekasukey? Or did you wear just what you had?)

We had uniforms for Sunday. We had what looked like band suits.

(Did you drill? Like ROTC?)

Not at old Mission. But after we got to Chilocco why we had to drill before breakfast, for calisthenics. Course they didn't call them calisthenics in those days. They called them exercise drills. We used to go out and do those hard drills till breakfast. And we drilled just about as good as the cadets, where they teach those sort of drills. We drilled a lot. We even went to Arkansas City on competitive drills. But we thought that was something to go out. We even put on our uniforms and to go out and drill somewhere. It would have thrilled us to leave school campus.

(You wore uniforms at Chilocco?)