

cattle in the corral. So I rode up to the corral and I found out that they was grandpa's cattle. The Indians had all gone to Anadarko for rations or something--payment--and there wasn't very many Indians in the country. And he had a caretaker--Kicking Bird had a caretaker and this caretaker seemed to be a sheriff. He had a star on his vest. And he saw me out there at the cattle pen. It was in the summertime. And he came out there with his shotgun. He said, "You know whose cattle they are?" I said, "Yes. They're grandpa's. I come after them." "No," he said. "You can't have them. They run into my corn and tromped it up and ate it all up, and unless your grandpa give me and cow and a calf, he can't have the herd." That's what he told me. He had a star. "Well, he told me to bring them back home." He said, "You can't have them. You go back and tell grandpa to come over himself and settle before I let him have the cattle. Tell him I 'herd-lawed' them." Grandpa don't know what "herd law" is--he's a wild savage! I rode back up there. He come back with me. We rode up, and he rode a spotted pony and I rode-- We come up close to the corral and grandpa just had a lariat rope on his saddle. He didn't have no weapon. "Grandpa," I said, "This fellow's a sheriff and he's got a gun on him, and a big star." "I don't care how many stars he's got--he ain't gonna keep my cattle!" he said. "They're mine. I raised them. And I'm going to take them home!" I said, "He's got a gun." "I don't care for gun," he said. So I knew we was gonna have trouble and I began to get scared. When we got up there to the corral, here comes that man. I knew his name, too. His name was Charlie Langdon. He had a star on his vest. He claimed to be a sheriff. I don't know where he got his authority. He had the star on him. He was coming to the corral with a double-barreled shotgun. We rode up there and grandpa says, "Get down and take the bars down." They have long wood bars for gate. He told me to take them down and drive those cattle out. And the white man,