

ago that is. But it was way before he was married. See, they were all in Fort Reno. And this one they call him the Agent, told these people that-- See, this John H. Seger was under this Agent right here. And he told him to bring these Indians out here where they could pick up their allotments. And my father made friends with this Mr. Seger. And Mr. Seger would call him first thing when they'd give something out, or when someone was selected to do something. He said my father was the first one he'd call. And my father said sometimes he'd be afraid someone would be jealous of him because he was his right-hand man. But my father, they say he was a boy that was a willing worker. He'd volunteer to do this and that. He was a fast boy and could do it quickly. And I guess maybe that's the reason they chose him to do things. And he said they ~~came away~~ with a whole big camp, you might say--they brought a big camp over here to Colony. Well, first, when these boys got to Colony, there was just nothing but boys. But in the meantime those different bands were getting together to see how many is going to go live over there on the Washita River. They call this river the Washita River. It wasn't "Washita River"--it was the "Tipi Pole River." It was known as the Tipi Pole River. How many is going to go and get their allotments along the Tipi Pole River, and how many is going to the Wolf River--that's Watonga--Wolf River. And how many is going to go out there where the timber meets. They called it "Where-the-Timber-Comes-Together." That's the Cantonment Reservation--"where the timber meets." I guess the timber grows one way and it meets the other--I don't know just where it was. But that was the name of that.

(Who got their allotments by the Tipi Pole River?)