

SHORT BACKGROUNDS OF SOME OLD MEN:

(Did you ever hear of a Comanche man named Charcoal?)

A Cheyenne.

(A Cheyenne?)

I mean Arapaho.

(Who was he?)

I never did know who. But I know that these two boys, their names Charcoal. Their land is over there--their folks's place is southwest of Calumet.

(There's another one, I don't know how to pronounce his name, but it looks something like Tabanka, a Comanche.)

I don't know. Where did you get that name at?

(It was out of a book. He was supposed to have been a chief of the Yap-ay at one time. And then there was Tenewerka?)

Ten a way ka. (She pronounces it this way.)

(Now, who was he?)

He live around Walters. I don't know much--he died about 15 years ago I think, something like that. He was an old man.

(Could you tell me anything about Quanah Parker?)

I don't know nothing about Quanah Parker. But I know he was captured.

That's all I know.

(By the Comanches?)

Yes.

(What was he? Was he a Mexican or a white or--)

No, he was a white man. His father was a white man and his mother was a white woman.

(He's famous isn't he?)

Yes.