

of this building, years ago. I remember that, when I's small.

Mr. Well, I'll tell you, the I hadn't told you anything yet, about this Indian mission. In the early days, the Presbyterians out of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania established an Indian mission 'bout seven miles southwest of Apache.

Mr.K: My homeplace is jest a half a mile east.

Mr.: They had dormitories for girls and dormitories for boys. They had their own laundry. They had their own black-smith shop. They had their own dairy. And they were really self-sustaining before this part of the country was open to white settlement. And Indian boys and girls, lotta and the old timers went to school there. Joe Blackbear, Big Ben went to school there.

Mr.K: Yeah, old timers went there.

Mr.: And in 1912, when a consolidated rural school was built six miles west of Apache, they discontinued the Indian school and put the Indian children, intergrated them with the white children. They dismantled all the buildings out there with the exception of the church and the parsonage. They sold most of the land and they still in use for religious through purposes only. But, most of the old time Indians were first introduced through religion in the Presbyterian church southwest of Apache or by traveling missionaries of the Catholic church. And another thing that I might relate, there's only one Indian that I ever knew that was married to one woman 50 years by the white man's rights. That was an Indian by the name of Cecil Horse, who in later years became an ordained Methodist minister. And on his 50th anniversary my wife and I were invited to his place and they had a big tent, big arbor and they really made a big affair because he had his license and it showed that he was married by a Catholic priest in Anadarko and he had been married 50 years. That's been 5, 6, 7 years ago, but he's the only one that I ever knew that was married under the white mans rights, because like I related before, in most of the Indians had three or four wives. In fact, the old Indians, they didn't call them wives, they always use to ask me, "You got woman?" They called them "woman," they didn't say, "Have you got a wife?" They say, "You got woman?" But the government decreed in about 1907 that they would take one wife or they wouldn't continue to get their regular payments.