

still rides horseback in parade, and she still rounds up her stocks. She said, "I still help gather crop for winter. There's a big commissary. We all go to the village certain month in the year, and we stay there so long. Our kid childrens and everybody, in that same village. That's the way we live, you know."

(Was it the old lady that said that the story was that the chiefs got mad at each other?)

Yeah. And my step-father told her the same thing. "That's what we hear. Somewheres in the Dakotas," he said, "Our Chiefs divided. They got mad at each others. I don't know what, but anyway," he said, "They divided. And that's true. That's what we hear over there. That's the story that's been handed down to us." That makes me kinda on the believing side, now--what the Old Man was telling that old lady. So they talk Apache. But some words she used, she tried to leave it out. Sometimes she can't help it--it's that Cree language. They're kinda a little mixed with the Cree. Because there's intermarriage, just like the Apaches and the Kiowas are intermarried. So I think they told us that at that time there were about 70 which are still fullbloods. She was a fullblood Sarsi.

(What was her name?)

We didn't ask her. Dr. Gilbert McAllister was there. He stayed with this lady there. She said, "Who told you all that, anyhow?" "Well," I said, "Some miracle brought us here. We don't know your name or anything that night." "Well, sometimes things happen just like that. Maybe the Spirit is somewheres." We asked her, "Do you belong to some kind of church?" "I'm Indian. I got my own belief. You come down this way and you don't see no church, but in our community we have just during the winter season--we have churches which is supervised by Canadian government. And we get rations from the commissary and we get payments from Majesty." That's the way they put it. Everything they say is "Her Majesty"--just like we say "government." "Federal Government." But they really speak good English over there. Yeah. They're kinda tall. Tall Indians. Their cheeks a little bit kinda high. They're nice looking, some of those