

Some of them got funny ways. The only tribes I've been around were the Creeks. Oh, I been around the Choctaws, but not so much though.

(Did you ever meet any Delawares and Shawnees?)

Yeah, I met Shawnees, but I never did run around with them. I ask them what tribe they are, and that's about all.

DIFFERENT LAW MEN

(Charlie Whiteday was Delaware, wasn't he?)

Yeah.

(I know his brother, Charlie. Where did he come from?)

I never did find out. First time I knew him was right here. He got to be law man down here. Boy, he was good too.

(Well, he was a good law man.)

He could drag them around and never say much. (Laughter.) He gave a man a chance. He tells them to go home, "If you don't, I lock you up." If he didn't go home, that he did. (Laughter.)

(Like you said, he was a good man. When you were a young fellow, who was the Indian law man back in here? Was it Red Cloud Duncan? Was he a law man too?)

I believe he was--too far back, I forget--

(We didn't have too many law men back in Indian Territory days, did they? I don't guess they needed many law men.)

If anybody wanted to be a law and they needed help, the law had a right to appoint who he wanted to get to help him. So, of course, they didn't have no jails. They just had to tie them to a tree and give them a good whipping, that's all. Any tree going passed. (Laughter.) They whipped hard--leave stripes on back.