

open in 1912 and that's where I went...1912 to 1921.

(How did you like school?)

Oh, I liked it fine, I liked school for what it was, a place to learn something.

(What was that story you were telling Mr. Griswold, ((the director of the Ft. Sill museum.)) about your grandfather brought in the Kiowas?)

GRANDFATHER'S SCOUTING EXPERIENCE

Oh, it's not written, see nobody wrote that.

(You said that someone wrote that the army went down and....?)

Somebody said that but it's not true. Yeah, that story he told me about that

((referring to Ray's Grandfather here.)) and my wife read that in a western magazine somebody wrote that and said these soldiers went down there and drove them Kiowas.

My Grandfather is the one who brought them Kiowa's. You heard what I said about that.

That's just the way it was.

(Just by himself?)

By himself, alone from here. ((Ft. Sill))

(When was this?)

Oh, this was in 1874 or '75. The Apaches use to camp right along in here. At that time the Kiowas were camped back there by the airport.

(By the Lawton airport?)

Right here, you know where we turn off on to....

(The Fort Sill airport?)

Beyond that, about a mile there. They camped down there and they got all their leaders and put them in a stockade down there. And boy, all ~~tem~~ ladies and kids were crying. It was pitiful. But it was better that way than to have war for they wouldn't have a chance against these soldiers. So he ((Ray's Grandfather)) saved them and alot of soldiers too.

(What did these Kiowa do when they saw your Grandfather coming?)

Oh they were some of his relatives you know, he was related to a bunch of them.

And they knew he was a scout. Oh ~~some~~ of them were his uncle, his nephew, his grandson