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Out in that open range. He said, he come to a bluff where the water had been pouring off a bluff. And there was some sand down there that washed down there. There had been some water there not too long that sand was little bit wet yet, he said. He said, he scratched down there about a foot, but there wasn't no sign of water. He said, I thought, well maybe little further down I might find some water. 'Cause there has been some water here not too long ago. He said, I went on down about another mile. Seem like it runned out in the prairie range. Just flat. There wasn't no creek anymore. So he said I come back. When I got back to that place where I had scratched down--about so deep--said the water had runned in there, and there was water there. And he said, I laid down on my stomach and reached down there with my mouth burning and dranked all the water I want. And so that stopped the thirst. He said, I come back up there where my horse was and I went to sleep. Next day, says I went on. And he said this one night, this horse that he had now. It was one of these kind of horses that was kinda wild like. Whenever you want to catch him you have to kinda have him up in the corner of the loft somewhere before you could catch him. You couldn't just walk up there and catch him. You know, there's some horses that's that way, wild. That was the kinda horse that was. He said, one night there was something disturbed this horse. Might have been a wolf or something. He said that horse runned and when it --runned against the end of that rope. He said he just popped that rope in two and away he went towards my (?) territory. He said layed down and listen to that horse. Still long as I could hear him. He went plumb out of sight. And he said there I was afoot. I didn't know what I was going to do. He said, I was thinking what must I do in the morning. I was just about half way, he said, between here and Anadarko. And he said, I didn't know which way I was going to go. Where I was. In the morning if I go, keep agoing or try to come back. See if I could find my horse. Even if I find him I know I couldn't catch him 'cause the rope was broke off pretty short to his neck. Wasn't dragging no rope. The longest part of the rope was still tied to the tree. And he said, I