

tell me a little more about that. Tell me again what you were telling me in the car. Was it very common to adopt?)

You was asking me if they adopt any people and I said I did not know of adopted any other different tribe. But that Pawnee man, he was adopted by Arapahoes. His name was Henry Acorn. That's the only one I know that was ever adopted.

(Henry Acorn?)

Yeah.

(What family adopted him?)

A man by the name of Sharp. I think he was from Geary.

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(Would they have any kind of adoption ceremony or anything?)

No. They didn't--I don't know. I just know after he move up this way I knew he had a son and they used to say that was his adopted son. But I never knew just exactly how they adopted him.

(Well, back in the old days, could the Arapahoes ever adopt captives from other tribes or white captives or anything like that?)

I don't know--I don't know that far back. I don't want to just guess at anything. I'm telling you everything the way I know it and the truth. But way back over there I wouldn't guess at anything I don't know.

(Back about the time when you were a girl or a young woman, were there any orphan children that a family would take and raise?)

Oh, their relations used to raise them. They never did take any from anybody. But if they had any relations--even distant relations--they used to raise them. They raised them.