

HER UNCLE'S HOUSEHOLD

(When you were living with your uncle, Coal Fire, what kind of a camp--?)

They didn't have no camp--they had a house. The government gave Indians houses--two-room houses--and he had a house. He didn't have no camp. They had them old houses built with timber. Two rooms.

(Where was that located?)

Over east of Eagle City.

(Who all lived in that house, then--that was part of his family?)

Well, all his kids lived in there and his wife. And me.

(No aunt or uncle or grandparent or anything?)

No.

(How many kids did he have?)

Three--two boys and one girl.

(Where did you all sleep?)

Well, the boys had one room with their folks, but me and my aunt, we used to sleep in the kitchen.

(When you were living there, who did the cooking?)

My aunt.

(Did you ever help out?)

Yeah, I help her. When they're busy, I used to cook. Do some washing.

(Was there anybody else--like any of her relatives or any in-laws--that lived real close?)

No. Just about half mile away from their house there was Cheyennes--east, that way. They were the only close nieghbors. But all the rest of the Indians had their own places, far apart.

HOME LIFE AND LIVING ARRANGEMENTS IN EARLY DAYS

(Back in those days were there times when the Indians would get together and camp, maybe for a Sun Dance or something--like when they were giving out rations or something like that?)

No. When they go after rations, they used to just go, on the wagon. They didn't take their tents over there. And during the summers, if there's any dance going on, they used to take little tents and camp maybe two days or three days and go back