

It's way different.

(About when did it start to change--and people started to run around more?)

Well, I tell you--I think all this change came in 1940. That's when all this drinking started--right out in the open. Maybe they used to drink, but you'd never see a drunkard stagger around on the street. You'd never see a drunkard go to somebody else's home and bother them. But in 1940 I think that's when all this badness started.

(What happened then?)

I don't know. They just start, I guess. "That one is drunk over there! They were drunk over there!" I used to hear it. I don't know just how it started. Most of these young people, they just marry and making families, they were all going to school at Concho and they used to be sent home for being drunk. And here I guess they used to--I don't know what they used to drink over there. They used to say it was hair lotion and stuff like that. They used to drink it. And when they catch them, they'd turn them out of school and then they used to all be drunk over here. They got to drinking beer and all that. I don't know how it all started. But at the school, that's where.

BOARDING SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND MYRTLE'S CHILDREN

(Back in 1940 did the Indian kids mostly go to Concho--to the boarding school?)

Yeah, they all went to boarding school, and some of them were in Colony.

(When did they start going to the public schools here in Canton?)

Oh, about in '38 or '39, I think.

(How did the Indians like it when they started to go to these public schools?)

They liked it better. They could watch their kids, then. But over there they were by themselves and they done anything they wanted to down there. Some of these Cheyenne kids and some Arapaho kids, they come home pregnant from that public (probably "boarding") school. It wasn't no place for them. So they all send their kids here to public schools. And I think it was better.