

That's what I'd do.

(Have the Wichita ever had a land claim?)

Well, I don't know. I tell you, we got...yea, well, I tell you, they had, they put in a claim one time. Been long time ago, they had lawyers. But they had a court of claims, then, you used to have to go through court of claims. Well, they had a man here at Anadarko, he was a historian. He was a part of it, working this man. I don't know what happened, anyhow. But they went in the court of claims. The government says you Wichitas own it, but we never did find nothing out of it. But that's all he gave us, you know, that we own it. Whether we owe him for this schooling putting kids through schools, and rations. Probably what money they was paying Indians, you know. I never could get that... There's only one woman, she's still living, she's my cousin... She used to work at that agency. She says that money they used to give it to each Indian, way back in years, you know. Well, I didn't get nothing...too young. She says, that was for the... well, she put it this way. I think she said Texas money. I don't know whether Texas paid that money. Somebody said Big Pasture. I never could understand that. But this way, I think, well what they charging Wichitas, I think they...that old agency used to be...used to be Wichita Agency.

(Out here by that little town of Washita by the Apache Y?)

No, over here, you know. Old Town. You see we had an old town over there when it started. It was Wichita Agency. Well, I don't know what year it was, they changed it into a Kiowa. Maybe the government charging for all of these tribes that got rations through this agency. Maybe they charging us that. You know, for different tribes, Kiowa, Comanches, Caddoes, Delawares...maybe they charging us for that. Maybe that's why we owe them so much. Well them was trying to recover was...I don't know how many acres, but it was coming from the Cross Timbers. All from this way, I don't know how far. I just heard it from one guy, he said, I think Wichitas claiming too much land. That's why they put a stop to it. I don't know. Well, that's what I mean. Both lawyers died, and that's about all I know. The government says we owe them. These Cheyennes and Arapahoes, they in same position. But they don't get their money. I guess