

in, and he was very polite and then he went back out and they didn't know where he went.

(Did the Indians ever have any trouble with these outlaws?)

No, they never did. They left the Indians alone. They never bothered them.

#### CATTLEMEN'S RELATIONS WITH INDIANS AND WIRE THEY LEFT BEHIND

And after these Indians were allotted--see, they found all those things (the wire, etc.). And all these cowboys went out. The government ordered them away. They moved their cattle out. Well, during the time they had their cattle in here the Indians didn't know a thing about it, and the government didn't know because those white people that worked for the government didn't come out this far--and they had their cattle way west of Hammond--Red Moon, they called it. It wasn't Hammond then; it was Red Moon. They had their cattle all along there. And the Indians, when they got hungry they just went and killed one of those steers. And cowboys couldn't say anything. The cowboys themselves didn't live there. They didn't stay around their cattle. They just brought their cattle and just throw them over here and forgot about them and went back home, I guess, in Texas. And when they got ready, I guess, to ship them or something they just came after them. And see, the Indians butchered all they wanted to. And then cowboys must have said that it was all right--let them kill them, because we're not paying them for this grazing on their land. They said we can pay them that way. Nobody ever did catch these or did try to catch these Cheyennes eating their cattle, no. See, nobody got anything out of it--just this one man--his (Ed Burns)' grandpa. George Bent. And so after they took them away, that's when they began to allot these Indians.