

Mrs.: Geronimo died. You wanna know when Geronimo died? February 17, 1949.?

Mr. Yeah, Geronimo died February 17, 1909 at Ft. Sill.

(What did you tell me about his funeral one time?)

Well, yes, I was tellin' you about, but I listen I don't want any names mentioned in that, but they claim that when Geronimo died that they buried him in the Indian ceretery on the east side of the tracks at Ft. Sill. But they also claim that after he died that some of his tribesman dug him up and reburied him where they only know where he's buried today. Now, there's a grave down there now, that they claim is Geronimo's grave, but even some old Indians that I knew, I knew I wouldn't gonna ask 'em bout it because they was particular about that.

(Did you ever hear that story?)

Yeah, I've heard it haven't yeah. Well, it was in the Lawton paper.

(Yeah.)

Mrs.: Yeah, but then they said they moved him and hid buried so they wouldn't know where he was.

Mr.K: And lotta years ago too, the Indians when they die they use to take 'em out in the mountains and put him under the rocks.

Mr.: Yeah, sure I told you that. Yeah, they buried 'em the boys use to go out there and find bracelets and earrings, rings made of silver.

Mrs.: And in the early days didn't they, you said heresay, that many had been known to cut off portion of theirn finger or cut off their hair when their families died. Cut off all, jest cut it off square, not tapered, just cutted off.

(Well, those people that told you that story were Indians no white people?)

Mrs.: Oh, no.

Mr.: Well the white boys that went out, I saw the rings and earrings and stuff that they brought back and they told me.

Mrs.: Oh, you mean the one about Geronimo?

(Yeah, I mean the one about Geronimo.)

Mr.: Oh, no, no it's jest a legend. That's all I'd call it.

Mrs.: This is kinda cute. Mose Poolaw of Walters, Oklahoma gave that to George.