

shook hands with me. She said, "It's good to see Doctor's friends." "Well," he says, "What do you want to know about us?" "Well, first," I said, "He told us we speak the same language." That's the way I put it in Apache. "Yeah, that's ture," she said. She talked Apache, too. "Yeah," she said, "Sit down. I'll get you some fresh water," in Apache. "It's good." She got me fresh water. This one right here--this stove over here--that cook stove-- bézbikò' é. kó.bida.cie that's the one--

(What did you say?)

bézbikò' é. -- "Iron fire."

hé.s -- that's "iron." -bí.kò' é. That's "iron-light" or something. Anyway, we started. Some of the things that she call, it's a little different. I forgot about the Old Man and John Fletcher out there. We talked about the well out there. And running water. Everything is the same. I stayed there a good hour before I thought about the Old Man. The Old Man was asleep. In the car. "Hey," I said, "I forgot all about it--I brought my step-father." I told her in Apache, "I brought my step-father." I said, "He's Apache, but he's Lipan." That's another Apaches that talks like us. "Oh, go ahead, bring him in. I'd like to talk to him." I went out there. John Fletcher was way out there. They got small trees, way out there, looking at limbs. "Hey," I said, "You all come on in. I forgot about you all." So we helped the Old Man in the house. You have to come up that steps--board steps--small porch of boards--you could see through them. That's the way the rain and snow goes through. Soon as the old man come in this woman sayd, "Oh, good!" She talk Apache. "Sit down right there." Old Man--he's loud, too--he talk to them. He said, "We get weared out, but anyway, it's worth it to come down here and talk to you." He said, "We don't know each others, but our language is the same." They start talking. "The story," he said, "From what we gathered, for many years--" that's what this old lady said. "Years way back our leaders--our chiefs--they got mad at each others. They divided. You went this way and I came this way." She's old, you know--this old lady. But she had good eyes. And she