

they had in their hands. . And she said, "When they got to these camps, maybe everybody was gone. They were all dead. And these white men had time enough to untie every bundle that the Indians had." These old Indian women used to have round bags--Indian bags. They used to be beaded. I guess you've seen them. It's a big round bag, and tied over here a certain way. She said, "That's where they used to keep all their belongings. And even medicine bags. Everything that was tied up," she said, "Was untied and just scattered around. And one of my friends, a little younger than me, her grandmother used to tell her--she couldn't run very far--and there used to be an old hollow log laying there. She said she crawled in there. And I guess there was a limb right there where it just made a hole. She said she looked out there, laying in there. She said it was a wonder they didn't come to that tree and look. She said she just watched them, what they were doing. She was looking through that inside of that hollow tree. She was laying in there and she looked out (of the hole) where there had been a limb. She said she saw everything. And I guess her husband was killed there. I think that's all she taught me about this Sand Creek. The Sand Creek Massacre.

(That's in Colorado.)

Yeah.

(Interruption)

(Wasn't Black Kettle supposed to be in that camp at that time?)

No, it was Black Kettle back here (Battle of the Washita). He belonged to the Hammon Indians--Red Moon (band). She (Birdie's grandmother) still had a scar right back here (on the back of the calf of the leg). I guess them soldiers had tried to shoot her.