

JAMES' FATHER, OLD MAN SILVERHORN

(--talking about his dad, Silverhorn. What was his name in Kiowa?)

Haungooah. H-A-U-N-G-O-O-A-H.

(We're going to talk about Haungooah, and James, I'd like for you to tell me anything you can about your dad's history--if you know where he was born and where he was raised and what kind of activities he engaged in as a young man. I'd like to hear about that and how he learned to paint and so forth.)

I don't exactly know where he was born, but most of the Indians--the older Indians--I think they were (born) in Kansas, I think. But he was raised up around the Wichita Mountains. Comanche County. When he was a young man, you know, he was a good hunter, and you might say a sportsman--fisherman and everything. Do all that kinda--

(Do you have any idea bout what year he was born?)

No, I don't. I never did check on it. But they got the records up there at Ft. Sill.

(How old was he when he died?)

Eighty-seven, I think, or eighty-eight.

(And how long has he been dead?)

He died in 1945 or '46. Forty-seven.

(Well, he probably was born just before the treaty, then?)

Yeah. When he was about thirty--thirty something odd years old--he married my mother. She was pretty young--about fifteen or--I think she was about fifteen years old when she married him. And I was born when she was sixteen years old. I was the first child of that.

(What was your mother's name?)

Taugoon. And I was the first child. Way back there--there was brothers. About ten or eleven of them, brothers and sisters. But he was the youngest