

allow anybody that was from each camp to Cooksin, he'd put some in there then he'd pick them up down from his place. It was about eight miles boat trip, a river. Take 'em all day--they'd fish out the holes you know, underneath the willows, that's where the bass stayed in hot water. And anyway, the boys made a little extra something well they would never tell you how much they wanted, but if you didn't give them as much as they thought they were coming, they weren't available the next time. They were that polite. They find some reason for not coming. Now the hill folk couldn't be hurried, because of the humid climate, for example I could never get anybody to help me just in the afternoon at camp. If I needed something done. They'd be there the first thing in the morning. At the crack of dawn, and be ready to go to work. But you couldn't for example an evening was any time after lunch. And they just didn't come, they just had to get ready to come the next morning.

♦ INDIANS IN GENERAL:

(Did they retain many of the Indian customs or did they was it sort of a different breed of people?)

Well, I'd say it was a mixture. For example, they made there own -- hickory. They find the second where an Indian tree had been cut off, course they didn't much use, hickory tree--hickory wood in their cook stove or in their fire place, because when hickory burns it sparks, a lot of it sends up sparks, they would of course they had different kinds of oaks over there, that's one thing I learned from the hill folks is the many different kinds of trees. That they had over there.

(Did they retain any of the Indian ceremonies or anything like that?

Did you ever see any of those performed?)