

that were captured, could be heard. Anyway those two girls were captured by the Utes. However one of them wasn't tied to any of them yet. She was still walking. The Utes had her by the arm. When they got near the canyon--it wasn't too deep--about seven or eight feet, or maybe ten feet-bank--all at once she just jerked loose and jumped down that bank and down the canyon she went. And the Utes tried to get down there and they couldn't get to her. Well, the Utes didn't dare to jump down there, because they thought maybe they couldn't get out. Them other girls would get help. Anyway, the third girl got away. But this one, they caught. So they took her over the divide and got her back to the Ute country. They were southern Utes. One of the chiefs that was in this party took her as his captive, and she was held under the supervision of an older woman, who may have also been a captive and became a tribal member and intermarried. Anyway, this older woman was in charge of her night and day. All right. They stayed together and they were tied together at nights, you know--their arms and legs. And sometimes, before they'd go to bed, they'd still be loose, but this older woman kept making awls--you know--what they sew moccasins with, with sinew. She's get a stone, you know, and she'd file those awls sharp and put wooden handles on them and put them away. Five or six of them, maybe--maybe a dozen. And other nights she'd cut out patterns of soles of rawhide. This Arapaho girl didn't know it at the time, but evidently this old woman was fixing her a lot of extra pairs of moccasins. And other nights this old woman that kept this Arapaho slave girl would make the tops--the uppers--of deer hide or whatever it was. And she'd pack them and put them away. Well, when they moved camp, this old lady that kept this girl had two ponies--a gray and a bay. She always had her saddle in the tipi. They slept together on the north side and the saddle and bridle always be on the south side, beside their kitchen. So after several years--two or three years, I think it was--this Arapaho girl would go out and chop wood for the family and bring it in the tent, wash their clothes and dishes and slice meat when they bring deer meat, and things like that. She did