

Maybe you want to sell them?" So his wife came back to--they was wiping dishes. "So, my friend, you've been with the Arapahoes for many years.. You was raised right here in our country." That's before they moved to become Kiowa-Apaches. They were known as Arapaho-Apaches, then. "You know the Arapaho ways." He said, "Yeah." So I said, "Anything that I got-- my horse, saddle--that you like--this I will give free. Free as grass. I give it to you--except one thing." He said, "I know it--your wife," he said. I told him, "Yeah. It's yours." And his wife come over and she just grabbed me and said, "He sure been wanting otter skins. Can't find them no where." I told them I had short hair. These had been put away for some twenty-odd years. I don't have any expectation of letting my hair grow so I just gave them. I had two sets. I said, "These are yours." "Aho," he said. So we visited around a while and a little after four he said, "My friend, I got to go to Walters. I want to get two sets of entrails at the butcher shop." You know Indians like those entrails. They know how to cook them. "I paid for them so--" (interruption) So, him and his wife talked Apache. She always carried the purse. I didn't notice it. But she went out first. "Well, my friend," he said, "We're going now. We had good visit. I thank you for them otter skins." I said, "That's all right. I ain't going to wear them anyhow." He opened the screen door and I followed him out there. He held the screen door open and I walked out and I bid him goodby. "Well, my friend," he said, "I'm sure glad to visit with you." And he shook hands and I felt something in his hand. I looked and it was bills. "No," my friend. "I didn't sell you these things." "No," he said. "I'm just giving you this present because you made my heart feel good." I didn't count the money. So I walked out and they got in the car. Backed out. I told my sister-in-law-- "Lucy, look here--what they give me." I counted it and it was ninety dollars. They say he wore them when he died. He wore them otter skins.