

(Don't you think that perhaps a gun is an invitation to more trouble than you get?)

Bob: Yes. Only thing to do is, I think, to--while you're working to go at it in a business like way and be firm with them, and let them know you're not horsing around. Playing with them. Just like that Joe Hoof--he knew that I meant what I said there--that I wasn't sitting down. If he had anything to say to me, say it there. And this Indian that had hold of my lapels there--he was going to go home with me. I said, "You're not going home with me."

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(Not too long after that little girl was beaten to death, here lately, there was some kind of a meeting in Canton and the people from our office went up there. Did you ever hear anything about what went on at that meeting?)

Bob: Yeah. They're afraid to talk. You can't--they're afraid to talk. I went around to this Tommy's first wife that had that kid, you know. And I know what would happen. The mother--Tommy left that kid with Jenny Haag. And this Maggie Bull Coming went down there and took that kid just for a few minutes--to take care of him a few minutes. Took that kid and turned it over to Tommy's first wife. And Tommy said that she was up at the Bare-foot Pow-wow. She was drinking and she took that kid--he just had a diaper on--and just threw him at him--to take him. And she walked out on him and left him. And Tommy's in jail. And he should be concerned. He was talking to me about it and I said, "Tommy, you must understand that that's the mother of that kid. Unless you can get legal custody, she's got as much right to it as you've got." I said, "I'll see what I can work out on this." What I was trying to do was prevent a future killing. I know that if something isn't done to that kid, he'll get out of there and he'll kill somebody for that boy. But I said, "You must understand that you've