

the hearing, that mother backed out of everything in that complaint. She signed this complaint--the mother did. But she backed out on everything and then they had to swear me in and we went ahead and sent her to Tecumseh (Girl's School).

(How old is the mother?)

Bob: Oh, the mother's dead, now. She must have been a middle-aged woman-- she wasn't old.

(She Cheyenne?)

Bob: She must have been a Arapaho, wasn't she? Whitetail?

Jess: Cheyenne. Yeah.

(--reading from one of the papers)--"said child addicted to use of intoxicating beverages, sniffed glue and uses cigarettes--" you know, there must be people selling liquor to minors--)

Bob: All you want. You can get all you want.

(Doesn't anybody try to enforce the law against it or--?)

Bob: They get somebody to buy it for them. (Pause as we look over some more papers) This old girl right here lost all of her kids. She'd always have a young baby and wouldn't--she'd just tear up the town and they'd start to throw her in (jail) and she'd grab a little baby and then open her dress up here and start letting him nurse and you can't toss in--they were believing that you couldn't throw one in. I said, "If she's breaking the laws, you can throw her in there, but be sure that baby's taken care of. You put that baby in good care and we'll see." So she was tearing the town up and they got her up and he threw her in all right. He called me that night.

(Do they let a mother with a little baby like that bring it in to the jail?)

Bob: No. You've got to-- We've got homes--temporary homes, shelters, in the various towns. They'll take them for a day or two until Welfare can do something about it. Then as a result of that she lost every kid she had. I just called the Welfare worker and told him to meet him up there and then went down and they filed a complaint on this mother and took every kid she's got away.