- Sharphead's move to the reserve at Morley and the disposal of the Sharphead reserve.

NOTE: The transcript of the Joe Dixon Twoyoungmen interview supplied by the Office of Specific Claims and Research is incomplete.

Q. They used to say the Peigans bought some stuff from that trading post?

A. Yes, they brought hides and pelts to the fort.

Q. Did they build that fort long ago?

A. Yes, it was long ago. My father used to say that they sold furs over at Rocky Mountain House.

Q. Was that fort there before?

A. Yes, my father and his sister grew up around there. But when they went over to the south, King's father was a young man
and he saw my aunt and married her. My father came back alone and afterwards he used to go and visit his sister. They used to live around Porcupine Hills and down to a place called Elk Lake. That's why King is my cousin; his mother was my father's older sister.

Q. Do you know the land around Pigeon Lake?
A. I know Cha Sae mne(?) Gogo mne(?). All along there, Gogo mne belonged to the Indians.

Q. Was that Chief Sharphead's territory? (Pa-thto)(?).
A. No ? (not clear)

Q. Gogo mne is that Swan Lake?
A. Yes, it's west of Pigeon Lake, near the mountains. This Indian trail leads up there, across the Clearwater River.

Q. Is that the place where that sign said Indian Reserve?
A. Yes, that's the place. I have seen it long ago.

Q. Chief Sharphead's land, was that a reserve?
A. The trans-Canada highway leads up to that reserve. That was where Sharphead once lived. Just north (?) (not clear) from Red Deer. Smallpox drove them out so they came here. Tom Snow and my father-in-law, all are the descendents of Sharphead's band. Chief Sharphead died here in Morley. When he knew that he was going to die he gave them his chief's medal and said, "Get another chief and form one more band." They kept this medal for a long time and finally it ended up with Willie Goodstoney's father. Some people came here and some went to Duffield. The people from Duffield kept asking for the medal so finally Goodstoney gave it back to them. They went back and appointed their chief in Duffield. Every now and then this chief's medal is bounced back and forth. It became a political affair.

Q. Do they still do that even today?
A. Yes, they are still carrying on this medal deal.

Q. Why didn't they go back to their own reserve?
A. I don't know. They came so they told them to sign their names if anyone was related in any way to Sharphead. Here are the names that they put down; my father-in-law, Koskabin-youngmen, Willie's wife and Tom Snow's clan. Then they took the names back and sold the reserve. The relatives of Sharphead that came here were left out on the money. All the money went to Duffield. When we were over at Duffield I asked them about this. They said, "We only got half of the money." And we were supposed to get the other half, but we never got it. This other half was supposed to come here, but I don't
think they told the truth, I bet they spent it all.

Q. Who did they sell the reserve to?

A. I don’t know. Sharphead was Koskabin, John Goodstoney's grandfather.

Q. It looks like the Goodstoney's are from there too?

A. Yes, it might be. Willie Goodstoney's mother was from Duffield, also Moses Jimmy John's mother. These two were Duffielders. Moses Jimmy John Sr. was from there too.

Q. I have seen that John Goodstoney.

A. Yes, he used to live here. His older brother was Chija zee. Maybe they have the same father or mother.

Q. Are there any descendents of Chija zee up at Duffield?

A. I think so. If they made one more chief here they would never get their medal back.

Q. So the descendents must be the Goodstoneys, Poucette, Snow and Koskabin.

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