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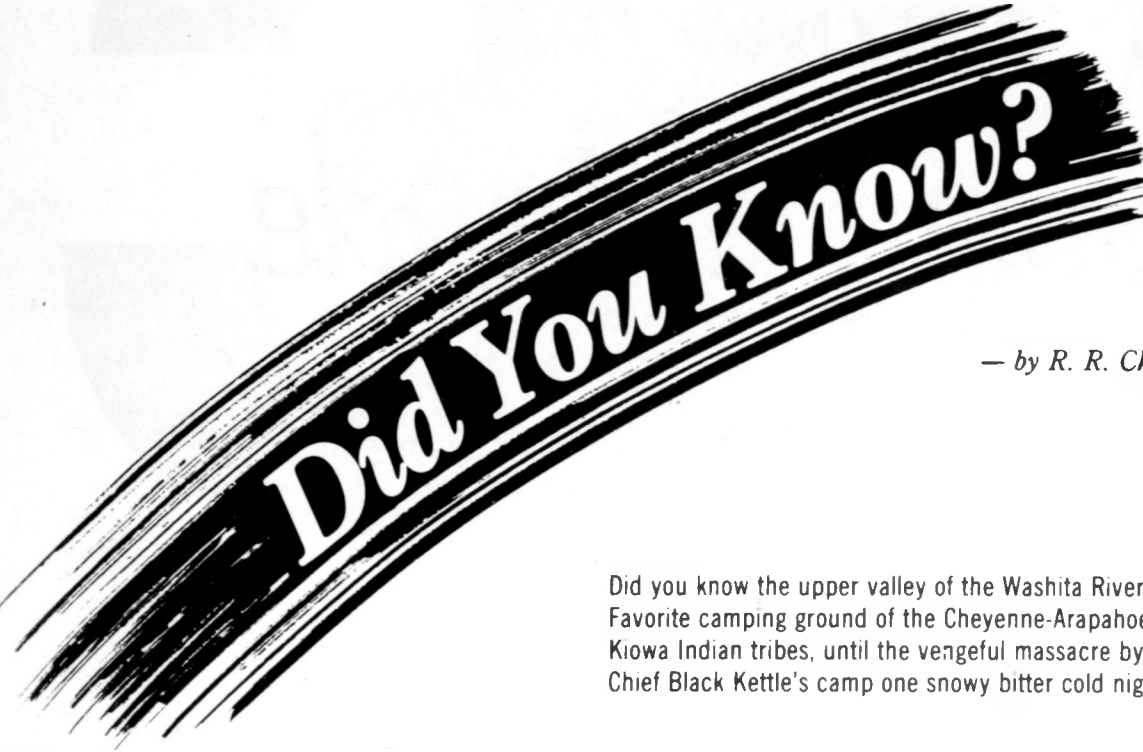
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— by R. R. Chapman

Did you know the upper valley of the Washita River was a favorite camping ground of the Cheyenne-Arapahoe and sometimes Kiowa Indian tribes, until the vengeful massacre by Custer, of Chief Black Kettle's camp one snowy bitter cold night of November 1868?

Did you know that bootleg buyers of quail and prairie chickens moved West with the first railroads and bought quail at 75¢ per dozen and hauled or shipped them east by the thousands?

Did you know that a longhorned steer with a broken horn was savage as a bear, and would fight anything and every thing in sight, and even a longhorned bull gave him plenty of room?

Did you know that in the summer of 1907 a young red headed fellow who later became Governor of Oklahoma and a younger brother on a hot summer day, led and pushed, and drove a two year old bull ten miles to pasture and they did it on their own two feet "No Horse?"

Did you know that in the years of settlement around 1900 the Cheyenne-Arapahoe country such a thing as petty thieving or malicious property damage was unknown, locked doors were a rarity, many doors had no locks and in warm weather people slept indoors or outdoors unconcerned, although some might have a six gun laying real handy?

Did you know that in the summer of 1896 that in a squabble between a settler and a cattleman over some alledged damage done to a corn crop by cattle, a cowboy by the name of Bert Atchison with two shots from a Winchester Rifle killed a Mr. Cootz and seriously wounded Cootz's son Gus, and they were not standing still either, Bert was never convicted but he soon left the country?