

1. "We buried pa on a sidehill out west of camp, buried him high up so he could look down the trail he'd planned to travel"(739).
2. "No boy ever thought of himself as only twelve or thirteen or whatever he was, being anxious to prove himself a man, and take a man's place and responsibilities"(739).
3. "The pinched-up villages and the narrowness of towns, all that was gone. The horizons simply exploded and rolled back into enormous distance, with nothing around but prairie and sky"(740).
4. "Men who had cut a wide swath back in the States found themselves nothing out here. They were folks who were used to doing a lot of talking who suddenly found that no one was listening..."(740).
5. "Right then I knew that neither Indians nor country was going to get the better of ma. Shooting the Kiowa was the first time ma had shot anything but some chicken-killing varmint—"(740).
6. "You may be right, ma'm, but a rule is a rule"(741).
7. "Bud, why don't you take a piece of that meat along to Mr. Buchanan and the others?"(742)
8. "The season was late, and we weren't making the time we ought if we hoped to beat the snow through the passes of the Sierras"(743).
9. "Remember that, son. The dogs bark, but the wagons go on their way, and if you're going some place you haven't time to bother with barking dogs"(746).
10. "She rode right up beside us, and when she drew up she started to talk, and she was speaking their language. She was talking Sioux"(747).
11. "Maybe she's part Injun and leadin' us into a trap"(748).
12. "'I have no desire to travel further with you—*gentlemen*'"(749).
13. "Mr. Buchanan looked mighty sullen when he saw half his wagon train gone and with it a lot of his importance as captain"(750).
14. "A long valley lay across our route, with mountains beyond it, and tall grass wet with rain, and a flat bench on the mountainside seen through a gray veil of a light shower falling...the white trunks of aspen on the mountainside...like ranks of slim soldiers guarding the bench against the storms"(750).