

Download His Very Silence Speaks : Comanche, The Horse Who Survived Custer's Last Stand

The Battle of the Little Bighorn, known to the Lakota and other Plains Indians as the Battle of the Greasy Grass and also commonly referred to as Custer's Last Stand, was an armed engagement between combined forces of the Lakota, Northern Cheyenne, and Arapaho tribes and the 7th Cavalry Regiment of the United States Army. Although Lake contends that Ned Buntline chose to repay these five men "for the color they supplied," it doesn't appear that any was needed to launch Ned into another bombastic opus -- especially inasmuch as he seldom used real people or historical events as the basis for any of his stories. Ed Englestadt, Wyatt Earp, and John P. Club on the beach at Nome, Alas., at the turn of the century. Photo courtesy W. B. Shillingberg. On May 31, 1883, Earp returned to Dodge City to aid his longtime friend Luke Short, part owner of the Long Branch saloon, during the "Dodge City Saloon War."