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## Up the Missouri...

### September 26th, Wednesday, 1804 (Clark)

"... Capt. Lewis & 5 men went on Shore with the Chiefs, who appeared desposed to makeup & be friendly, after Capt. Lewis had been on Shore about 3 hours I came uneasy for fear of Some Deception & sent a Serjent to See him and know his treatment which he reported friendly, & thy were prepareing for a Dance this evening..."

### September 27th, Thursday, 1804 (Clark)

"...the chiefs Continued all night with us- This allarm I as well as Captn. Lewis Considered as the Signal of their intentions (which was to Stop our proceeding on our journey and if Possible rob us) we were on our Guard all night..."

### September 28th, Friday, 1804 (Clark)

"...after Brackfastwe with great Dificuelty got the chiefs out of the boat, and when we were about Setting out the Class Called the Soliars took possession of the Cable- the 1st Cheif (Black Buffalo) was still on board and intended to go a Short distance up with us, was informed that the men Set on the Cable, he went out and told Capt. Lewis who was at the Bow, they wanted tobacco The 2nd cheif Demanded a flag & Tobacco which we refused to give, Stateing proper reasons to them for it, after much rangleing, we gave a Carrot of Tobacco to the 1st Cheif and he to the men & jurkerked the cable from them & proceeded on under a breeze from the SE"

### September 29th, Saturday, 1804 (Clark)

"...Set out early Some bad Sand bars, at 9 oClock we observed the 2nd cheif with 2 men and Squars on Shore, they wished to go up with us as far as the other part of their band, which would meet us on the river above not far Distant..."

### September 30th, Sunday, 1804 (Clark)

"...I discovered at a great Distance a great number of men women & children decending a hill towards the river above which the Chief with us told us was the other Band, Some rain & hard wind at about 10 oClock we anchored opposite the camps of the band and told them we took them by the hand, and Sent to each chief a Carrot of Tobacco & Some to the principle men and fath(er) Said that after Staying with the band below 2 days to See them we had been badly treated and Should not land again, as we had no time to Delay..."

Arikara Village of Earth-covered Lodges, 1600 Miles above St. Louis  
by George Catlin



### October 1st, Monday, 1804 (Clark)

"... passed a large Island in the middle of the river opposit this Island the Ricaras lived in 2 Villages on the S.W. Side, about 2 Miles above the upper point of the Island the Chyenne River Coms in on the left side and is about 400 yards wide discharging but little water for a river its Size, the Current jentle, and navagable, to the Black Mountains..."

The villages that Clark refers to are probably among the sites on or near what is called Black Widow Ridge, where there was almost a continuous series of late prehistoric and early historic Indian village sites.

### October 2nd, Tuesday, 1804 (Clark)

"...Mr. Vallie Came on board, Lat. 44°19'36" N. we observed Some Indians on a hill on the S.S. One Came to the river & fired off his gun and asked us to come he wished us to go to his Camp near at hand..."