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THE COVER

A portion of J. Howland's sketch, "Council at Medicine Creek Lodge With the Kiowa and Comanche Indians," from *Harper's Weekly*, New York, November 16, 1867. The picture depicts one of the peace treaty councils held by the United States government with the Plains Indians near what is now Medicine Lodge in October, 1867. An estimated 15,000 Indians were present.

Beginning in 1927, and every five years thereafter, a pageant commemorating the 1867 peace meetings has been given at the Medicine Lodge peace treaty amphitheater. This year the pageant will be presented on the afternoons of October 10, 11 and 12.