

ARAPAHO MEN'S SOCIETIES

--they had to have what you call a brother in the clan. They had to have leaders in order for them to carry on their clan. During the time that they gather--their brothers in the clan have to call them together--to tell them the movements of the organization. It's like any other organization, white man, or anything--it's like "Odd Fellows" and one thing and another. And they have or appoint so many men out of each group to round up all the clansmen. And they got pretty rough with them. So they had to chase several down and kind of give them a good working over--those that didn't want to come in there.

(Would this be to initiate them?)

No. When they get called together, some of them don't want to come in. So they just go out and round them up. That way they get all of them together in order to give them instructions. And they have to go through--certain songs to go through--the leader ordinarily was the one that started up the song. They always got up and danced by those songs. So that's about all I know about that. And Jesse Rowledge, he kind of put a little kink in my thinking. I don't see why he put that "hawk" on the end of it. But my old people's translation of that was "Star Man" or "Star Clan." But Jesse Rowledge, he went and put "hawk" on the end of it. I don't know where he got it. And I asked Myrtle Lincoln if she knew anything about it and she said, "No, I haven't heard nothing about it." And I asked my brother (William Sutton) if he knew anything about it, and he said he didn't. (Interruption)

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--going to have to cut out. They're supposed to let me know when they're going to get things organized so I can fit in with them, my brother and I. And Henry Bates and several others that knows something about it. So we're going to have to get together in order to thrash things out whereby they can get around a lot of hardships. If they don't, well, I don't know how they're going to get around it.

(What do you mean by the "hardships"?)