hoes. However it is felt that the observations made and field notes taken during this trip would provide important preliminary data for such a study, and therefore should be written up and placed with other manuscript materials of the Oral History Project.

I made the trip to Wyoming in my own car, and took with me two young men, undergraduate Athropology students at the University of Oklahoma, to help in the driving and in setting up camp. We took a tent, sleeping bags, and basic camp furniture and cooking equipment, and set up camp on the dance grounds where we stayed from Sunday, July 6, through Sunday, July 13. We pitched our tent between the camps of the Arthur Sutton family (Oklahoma Arapahoes) and the Jewell White Plume family (Wyoming Arapahoes). We cooked and ate at the camp and visited with as many people as possible and witnessed most of the activities open to the public during this week. The first three days were slow in the camp, as the Rabbit Lodge ceremonies, we soon learned, were secret. However we visited several points of interest on and near the Wind River Reservation, and went with one man to get brush for his arbor, and generally oriented ourselves for the Sun Dance itself.

After the Sun Dance lodge went up we stayed close to the camp grounds in order to see as many things as possible. We were fortunate in getting acquainted with the large Sankey family from Canton, Oklahoma, one of whom was dancing in the Sun Dance, and were thus able to observe some of the behind-the-scenes activities going on. One of the high points of our trip came Sunday evening, July 13, when we were invited to attend the feast given for Warren G. Sankey, Jr. by Francis Brown, his ceremonial sponsor. This feast was truly impressive and we felt both honored and privileged to attend. We also got acquainted with Josephine White, the mother of one of the co-sponsors of this year's dance and a woman who is privileged to take part in the Rabbit Lodge and the Sacred Pipe ceremonies. Josephine is a niece of John Pedro, an Arapaho from Calumet, Oklahoma, and was very good