

Raven, Chief Ute, Plenty Bear from northern Arapaho tribe. Others had died off. Sage and them. Yeah Sage was dead by that time. That's what I got. Now you can refer back and ask questions.

(Do you think that these other years where they skipped--like 1926--could there have been some other lodge going on at that time?)

AN ARAPAHO SOCIETY WITH SAME SONGS AS KIOWA-APACHE BLACKFEET SOCIETY

Well, at that time there was a lodge going on. Perhaps--I was trying to get her to read my book. She's got my book and she could right off-hand get it, and she was telling me that this here Starhawk--it wasn't known as Starhawk--it was this here Blackfeet songs that they used, this lodge. It wasn't called Blackfoot. They were called "Willow Lodge." And it just covered the ages of from about 35 to 50. No younger or no older.

(Is there an Arapaho word for that lodge?)

bíitw h^yéiín' (n^w) That's the menfolks. If you're going to call that lodge, you would call it bíitw h^w.wù' That's the lodge name of that lodge. That means "willow lodge." Because it's made up of willows. Same as the Sun Dance, only it's made up with cottonwoods, the sun dance. So therefore, the willows does come in in the Sun Dance, but they had to take that away from there not to conflict with the name of the Sun Dance. So they had to take that point off the Sun Dance and they seen what they could use in the lodge. There's a willow that's been used greatly among all the lodges. Different lodges that willow is used. They had to take that "willow lodge" and apply it to bíitw h^w.wù' That's what they had to apply that to.

(And those songs are similar to the Blackfeet songs?)

Yeah, similar to the Blackfeet.

(Would you say they're identical or--?)

Identical. I would say identical. Now of course there's about seven of those songs that's identical that they do use, but this was a ceremonial lodge at that time. But as it came on in later years another tribe took it to copy off of that. When they copied