

Arapahoes are over there on the Arkansas, about twenty or thirty miles--" about that distance, according to my father. "I'm going to hitch up the stage coach. You eat, first. I'm going to doctor your foot. "The Utes come over once in a while and they look around. But our stage coach is pretty wide, you know--the seat. Got some guns in there, and ammunition. She's a small woman. Going to put you in that seat. You lay there." So she laid there and they got ready. Pretty soon about five or six Utes come a-horseback. They asked what they wanted. They said, "We're just looking around. He said, "If you're looking for what--..." That Mexican had that Winchesters all fixed. He was watching them Utes. Big dogs--they had them chained. Them Utes took on back and went on and they stood around there. And then this man got on the stage and drove her off. No roads. Just bumpy. Pretty soon they got to a valley there and they looked over in the valley and there was a big circle--camp. So they travel along there and pretty soon they got two or three miles along and a young man came out there...to look after his ponies. This man got up and waved his hat for him to come and this boy came. He said, "You know this woman?" The boy said, "No, I don't know her." "She's Arapaho woman." Then this woman said, "Do you know me? I'm the one that was captured by the Utes three or four years ago. I got away now--my father's named--my brother--and all that--" This boy said, "Let me go back and tell the folks. He took his pony, and pretty soon a whole crowd of Arapahoes--women, children, men--came close. Her folks recognized her. They all started to cry, you know, they were so happy. She got off and they hugged her and said, "We're going to take you to the camp." So that Sun Dance Lodge was already built, you know. "This Sun Dance was for you--your uncle, Club Foot, and your brother, vowed to have this Sun Dance so you would get home safe. Now that begins tomorrow--three days--four nights and four days." So they gave her a feast and this man that drove her, he happened to be a half-Frenchman by the name of North. So they said, "You come back," to this man. So they went through that Sun Dance. She went through it herself--she went in there and participate. Fasted four days and four nights.