

or beadwork on them--painted and painted. They got some of those. They sold for about fifty or seventy-five dollars.

(How about tipis--did they ever buy any tipis?)

I don't remember us ever buying any tipis. Still, there were lot of pretty tipis them days yet. You know, with that round porcupine work with those deer dew hoofs--jingles on them--and beadwork down the back.

(In those days--about 1902--were there any hide tipis in use?)

No. No hide tipis. I don't remember ever seeing one. That last buffalo days was before 1884, my birth year. Up to that time there might have been a few but I was not old enough to see any. Mother used to tell us that they were so thick and bulky and clumsy weight that they's have to rip it in the middle and make two bundles out of them to pack them on ponies or on these travois. When they moved they had to sew them back before they put them up.

(Did they ever get any buckskin dresses?)

A few that I know of. I wouldn't know the price of them. I know one elkteeth buckskin dress was sold in 1901 by a man by the name of George Bent, whose daughter owned that dress, for sixteen hundred dollars to a man by the name of--I think Warsock, or some El Reno business man bought that dress--that had sixteen hundred elk teeth on it. It was bought from an Arapaho girl--family--George Bent bought that for his daughter, Mary Bent.

(Do you remember what the price was on that dress--that one with all the elk teeth?)

Sixteen hundred dollars. It would be cheap at that now.

(When George Bent bought it, do you know what he had to pay that family?)

Oh, he paid about eight or nine hundred dollars.

(There used to be somebody in El Reno that donated a lot of things to the University Museum--I can't think of his name right now. Seems like he was a doctor.)

If I remember right I think Warsock was the man that bought that dress and other things. I know I gave--I had a pair of buckskin leggings made and I outgrew them. I got heavier. I give them to a smaller fellow in 1901. And he wore them just one time to