

making them feel at home and not be afraid. Just established, you know, just like it was their own home. And that way maybe his folks in turn would accept me as their son, because I'm the boy's friend, and that way way we're mutually-- And then my folks would probably get acquainted with his folks and they establish a friendship. That all runs back quite a ways.

(What about older men--a man that's out living on his own and has his own family? Is there any particular way that older men would get new friends or make new friends?)

Oh yeah, there's several ways. Like, some years ago--we was in Washington--and our Oklahoma Arapahoes and Cheyennes were up there and we met some of those state of Washington and Oregon Indians--Siletz from those coast Indians out in the state of Washington. We met them in Washington and our Oklahoma Cheyennes and Arapahoes made friends with them. Well, one of them Indians gave one of our Oklahoma Arapahoes a hat and a handkerchief--brand new hat--one of those wide-stiff-brimmed hats--and nice handkerchief. Friendship, you know. So they established a friendship. So in turn this Oklahoma Arapaho gave nice beaded moccasins to the man that gave him a hat and a handkerchief. Friendship, you know. Such things like that.

(Would this be considered an example of trading or not?)

No. It was just -- I would call it just sort of a exchange--friendship greetings--whatever you might call it. Recognition of friends. No--that wouldn't be considered (as trading)--cause it wasn't no value compared to thirty-five dollar moccasins compared to a dollar and a half handkerchief and a maybe six or seven dollar hat.

JESS'S FRIENDSHIP WITH APACHE BEN: ARAPAHO-RELATIONS WITH KIOWA-APACHE:

(I've heard you talk about Apache Ben. I've heard you were pretty good friends with him--how did you start this friendship with him?)

I knew Ben quite a number of years. He's always a friend to the Arapahoes. In fact his wife's sister was married to an Arapaho. And they always came back and, you know, they visited back and forth. (Ben's first wife was Apache