

JIM HUDSON

(Who is this Jim Hudson?)

Jim Hudson's an Arapaho man, that went through all those soldier lodges. (military societies) And he can join the Sun Dance. He was a peyote man and he also became a good faithful Baptist--member and deacon. All that through peyote.

(How was that?)

Well, he learned his religious activities through these lodges, you know--praying, and active public life and all that. Then soon as he used peyote he learned to pray--religious interest in the way of Indian form of religion, you know. Well, eventually, when he got older, he settled down and became a good Christian. Got to be deacon.

(Well, when he became a Baptist, did he continue going to peyote meetings?)

Once in a while he went. Once in a while. Somebody invite him--"Jim, we're going to have a meeting--why don't you come over and pray for us?"

Well, he'd to over there and pray for the boys and make them sit up all night. Participate in the use of peyote. He lived that way until he died 80 or 90 years old, I guess.

(When did he die?)

He died, as best as I can remember, about 1930--in 1939. Oh, he died on his way--He was up in Wyoming. He got sick and his wife said, "Let's just stay till you get well," and he said, "No, we're just going on home. In case I get worse, I'll be at home." They live at Carlton. Well, they started and he died en route on a train between Denver and La Junta.--No-- a little town west of La Junta--southeast of La Junta. I forgot the name of that little town. Anyhow I stop there quite a bit. He died there on the train. So they questioned his wife, and so they phoned on to Concho, and Concho