

So they replaced this Gilbert Curtis in Lone Bear's place.

(What did the riders do?)

(Cheyenne) They were holding a high rank, and that's the way you know, could tell who was who--that rode the horse. It was one of the highest ranks in that organization.

(When did they--where did they ride--or how was their riding done?)

(Cheyenne) She said when they have these parades, like in these encampments, this Sun Dance, she said when they're in parade, these four are the ones that go in front. (Cheyenne) No, they were at the end--the tail end.

(Did the whole group parade at an encampment--a big encampment like that?)

(Cheyenne) Yes.

(Were there Cheyenne men from all the districts that belonged to this group or just from one district?)

(Cheyenne) It must be for everybody, she said. Just so they prove they are a member of this clan. They must eat dog, she said. That indicates his membership. (Cheyenne) She said we had that dinner here not too far back--for this Gilbert Curtis.

(Is there any ceremony about the way they kill the dog or cook it?)

(Cheyenne) No, nothing like that.

(Can they have this initiation any time of the year or is there any special time to have it?)

(Cheyenne) Just that certain occasion. Just that one time.

(Who puts it on--is it a boy's family that puts it on for him when he becomes a member?)

(Cheyenne) It was her--the relatives. (Speaking of Gilbert's initiation)