

GENERAL SUBJECT:

LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS WITH INFORMATION ON COSTUME AND DRESS IN EARLY
TWENTIETH CENTURY: LIFE AT HASKELL INSTITUTE

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

PRELIMINARY CONVERSATION ON SUBJECT OF NATIVE AMERICAN CHURCH PERSONALITIES
TRADING STORE AT DARLINGTON: KIND OF GOODS SOLD
HUDSON BAY BLANKETS AND ARAPAHO NAME FOR ASSINIBOINS
DRESS: MANNER OF WEARING BLANKETS
DRESS OF ARAPAHO MEN IN EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY
USE OF STROUDING (WOOD MATERIAL)
CLEANING WOOL GARMENTS
USE OF LIST CLOTH (WOOL MATERIAL)
CLEANING GARMENTS OF LIST CLOTH
WOMEN'S DRESS, EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY
SILK SASHES
SHAWLS
SHOES AND MOCCASINS
WATERPROOFING MOCCASINS WITH DEER MARROW
MEN'S UNDERCLOTHING: BREECHCLOTHS AND BELTS
WOMEN'S UNDERCLOTHING
SOCKS AND SHOES, BOOTS
OPENING OF KIOWA AND COMANCHE COUNTRY
CASE OF LONE WOLF (KIOWA) AGAINST U.S. GOVERNMENT: ISSUE OF ADOPTED WHITES
ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR
JESS'S WORK AT THE GEARY BANK: LOANS TO INDIANS, GAMBLING, ETC.
GAMBLING IN THE INDIAN CAMPS AT DARLINGTON
HOW JESS'S FATHER GOT INJURED AND GOT BLOOD POISONING
EXPERIENCES AND LIFE AT HASKELL INSTITUTE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Jess Rowledge is between 82 and 84 years old and is a well-known and respected leader among the Arapahoes. He is fairly well educated and articulate and has travelled extensively on tribal business, having visited Washington, D.C. a number of times. He has been active in tribal politics for many years and has helped the Arapahoes in pressing their claims cases against the government. Nevertheless, Jess is well-versed in the traditional culture of his tribe and anxious for at least some parts of it to be preserved. He is one of two surviving members of the StarHawk Society, one of the old age-grade warrior societies. And has often expressed hope that this organization would be revived in modern times. He is a peyotists, as well as a member of the Baptist Church and feels that the peyote ceremony has given him some of his greatest personal fulfillment as well as inspiration. Jess is no stranger to the roll of teacher-informant in communicating knowledge about Arapaho culture. He has known and worked with such people as A.L. Kroeber, James Mooney, Morris Smith, Sister Inez Hilger, and Fred Eggan. Mr. Rowledge was born in 1884.