

and put them out--lot of old records I had. Put them all up for me. They might have been burnt up already, I don't know. But you can get from those that are custodians of those gods now. They're the ones that can identify them because they're supposed to meet so often and talk about them. And when they need repair, they're supposed to meet together and open them and repair them. But when they open them, they're supposed to do it secretly, with a blanket over their heads--and I don't see how they could see to work! But that's what the rule is. And when the Indians go on the war path, that's the gods they go (to) to hold their prayers. Make them immune and safely return. They pledge some gifts to these gods. And when they come back they make sweat houses. Sacred sweat houses. That's a long story, too, about how they go in sweat houses. Custodian of them, he takes them and prays for the returning warrior. Well, they could pray for sick people in there. They have so many wigwam poles--could be twenty-five. Could be fifty. Could be sixty or seventy. And they say where you get the most blessings is to make the sweat house with a hundred poles. But they're so close together--weaved together, them willows. My father said he graduated the sacred ceremony of the grandmother gods and when you're graduated, and fill all the requirements of those ceremony laws--the Ten Grandmother Gods--you're entitled to one of those bags. And a father said they offered him t^ok^oi^bo^di's bag--sacred god. That's Old Man Saddleblanket, they call him. Kiowa. The Kiowa Saddleblanket. Old Man Saddleblanket, he kept one. Later, my father wouldn't accept it, so when he died, his son, 'émoah (or 'emo ah) inherit it. E-M-A-U-A-H. Saddleblanket's son. And this Emauah was a member of the Seventh United States cavalry, L Troop. But he carried that. I don't know who has it now, but it still has its identification. Nobody goes and peeps into them. Only way you touch them is to go and worship them. Put your gifts. Give some kinda gift. They even give blankets, horses, cows--whatever they give. When it's a