

completed. They come from a grandparent that had yellow hair.

(What does "botone" mean?)

Well, it means "otter bone," or something--"beaver bone." (Pause) I promised to help get the family tree but I haven't had time to work on it yet. It's way back there. We have to go to the census--the first census--to get all those. Census made in 1871--that's long ago, but it's on the government records, though. You got to go through the government office.

(This bundle that they have--is that the same thing as the "Taine"?)

No, it's different from the Grandmother Gods (Guy doesn't hear the question clearly). I told you the story of how they began--the girl going up and then coming back down. That's the story of the Ten Grandmother Gods that we have today. I don't know where others put it, but that's the Kiowa story. Not too many people know about it. Just a very few.

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(Now this "Taine"--)

Yeah--that's the Sun God--Taine--the Taine is the Sun God. That's the father of this Sun God's boy, Twin Boys. And my father was a great worshipper of that. They offer their skin, before daylight. Before the sun comes up--they think that the sun is the god, and they go up before the sun comes up on some lonely hill and take a needle and knife --sharp knife--and they pierce their skin through and then--raise it up with that needle and then cut it out--little circle out--almost as big as your watch. They took that skin after the sun come up and offer it as a living sacrifice of their body and pray. They say Grandpa Frizzlehead had scars from here clear through his body. Some of them cut the scars from over here--over their heart. (Guy indicates that Frizzlehead's scars were all up his arms, etc.) Some of them cut a cross in there--scar. I don't think there's anybody living now that has those scars.

(I was going to ask, if they cut a cross for this kind of worship--did this