

the lodge.

At different times during the remaining activities people would come forward and "cover the Pipe," placing a shawl, blanket, serape, or length of cloth over the bundle. At the end of the day these items were taken off and wrapped in a large piece of canvas kept on the south side of the center post.

John Pedro told me that the dancers who danced on the south side of the lodge were "dancing with the Pipe." He said they were painted red. In retrospect I remember that there were red-painted dancers on this side.

John also said that the Pipe was unwrapped at a certain time during the Sun Dance, but that this ceremony took place on the southwest side of the center post, where, as described before, spectators could not watch. The unwrapping of the Sacred Pipe is one of the most sacred of Arapaho ceremonies and few are permitted to witness it. It is occasionally performed at other times during the year. However if this ceremony took place during this Sun Dance I either did not notice what was going on or it took place at a time when I was not present.

The Sacred Pipe was taken out of the lodge on Sunday, July 13, the last day of the Sun Dance. It was carried out just before sunset and the beginning of the final dance by Josephine White. According to John Pedro, her uncle, Josephine has high ceremonial status and is qualified to take part in certain activities such as the Rabbit Lodge and the unwrapping of the Pipe. She has the honor or privilege of carrying the Sacred Pipe on certain occasions. Josephine entered the Sun Dance lodge neatly dressed and wearing a black shawl. She walked clockwise around to the south side where she stood facing the center post, looking at the ground. She seemed to be praying silently. Finally she raised her head and the Pipe Keeper, Adam Shakespeare, took the pipe bundle carefully and passed the carrying strap over her head and across her shoulders, and adjusted the bundle on her back. She then carried the Pipe out of the lodge, walking clockwise to the entrance and from there around the lodge on the east and south and then west toward Adam's tipi. She walked very slowly and kept her eyes on the ground in front of