

Because, their forefathers were called other than "the roaming tribes" and "the prairie people." And that's where that "Arapaho" come in. Because the forefathers were original Arapahoes. And as they wandered off, they were called as "roaming tribe" and "prairie people." Then when they come back to their Indian village, that was, the Arapaho tribe. They come right into their Indian village.

(What was the Arapaho word for just the Arapaho tribe?)

Well, that's what I--I been trying to study that. I been trying to study what that "Arapaho" meant. Now, I was asking Jess (Rowlodge) here a while back that Arapahoes got that Arapaho name from the northern Arapahoes. They got that name of Arapaho from the northern Arapahoes. Because they came together in Colorado, and when they split it, well, they brought this "Arapaho" on down--the name of "Arapaho" into Oklahoma. And to Kansas, and Colorado, and on down to Texas, and then they came back up here. They went clear down to the Texas border and they come back up here and then they roam back up to where they started.

(This present Oklahoma Arapaho people?)

Yeah, yes.

(What about these northern Arapahoes--were they ever with the ones that went down to Texas and that way?)

No. They just divided from Colorado, and they went on up that way. The division was caused by--you know, when people like the "roaming tribe" and the "prairie people,"--the northern Arapahoes, were in that same group of people. And when they got into starvation, well, they went to roaming around. That's how come they got this name as "roaming people." Then when they got so far out there was no timber or no water or nothing, well, there was the "Prairie people" out there. So they couldn't go any further, so they had to come back to where they seen the smoke. Or where they found out, they just back-trail themselves, and they went back to this Indian village where they started from. And that's where the Arapahoes were. In other words, in the first place, these two tribes, as the "roaming" and "prairie" people, they come from the Arapaho tribe in the beginning. And