

the officers are over there. And these members can go other place. Sometimes we go as high as five different places. So we have to kind of spread out. But when the officers accept an invitation, generally all of the officers would be over there. (Do you think most of the group will go up to Omaha, where you're invited?)

Oh, see, we go at our own expense. And sometimes they gather money that's given to us--at that reservation--they gather some money for us to send us home. We went to Lame Deer, Montana last summer. And they give us a little money to come back on. Just enough to get us home--that's all we needed. Divide that money among the cars that went. And we went to Albuquerque. We was invited to Gallup but we couldn't make it then--one of the members got killed in a car wreck--Rayburn Washee.

(Did you go many places last summer as an organization?)

We went to Wyoming and to Montana and to Nebraska and to Albuquerque, and Dallas, Texas, and a lot of places in the state of Oklahoma.

(Who are your singers?)

Well, generally we just leave it up to the people that's sponsoring the dance. They generally pick out their head drummer and they try to get one that knows some of these songs. Some places we go they know just about three or four songs. Just sing those over and over. Yeah, they know these songs at Omaha. This Tia-peh (Kiowa) society had gone up there two or three times before and they had tape recorded them songs and they got a pretty good crew up there to sing them songs. All them northern people know all them songs. But the western tribes don't have that.

(Are most of the songs you use identical to those the Tia-peh organization uses?)

Yeah.

(Do you have any Arapaho songs--?)

Yeah, they sing lot of Arapaho songs. But they don't sing that starting song. We still got that here yet. I don't think that's been sung anywhere else but here. Just one knows that and that's Jimmy Warden. Jimmy Warden is the only one that knows