

be safe after you shoot. Shoot off your gun. Because there'll be two or three of them coming at you.

(When they were down there staying with those Mexicans, did they pay anything for room and board?)

Not unless they want to. They don't ask for—I know I stayed with them, and they don't ask us. I had some drum stones out of pure marble, you know—you know, drum stones for peyote drum. They had a little boy and the second day I was there--well, the first evening, I took them marbles out and give 'em to the boy, and they was tickled over it. They never seen such pure marble. I give 'em to that boy and then I had a pair of moccasins in my grip that I had worn and next morning I was taking a bath out there in the shed, and had my suitcase open. So I come on in there and I said "Migo," I said, "You want--how you like to have these?" "They're good ones," he says. I said, "Well, them's yours, that pair of moccasins. Rest of 'em didn't--they went out killed deer for us, and one of these peccaries, and I think some kind of a bird that is down there. Some kind of a bird--I forgot what the name of it was. They didn't charge us nothing.

#### JESS'S TRIPS TO GET PEYOTE:

(Well, when was this? Tell me about the trip.)

When I was down there? Well, the first trip I made was 1917--1921. That is, with a group when I was there in 1917--Laredo and on across to Nueve Laredo on the Mexico side. But this time was 1921 when I was with two or three Indians. And we stayed there almost ten days, I guess. We didn't have no tent with us, but we got some canvas in the car--our Mexican friend--we went out and cut just as straight mesquites as we could find and we made a little wickiup and we put this canvas on and we had one Mexican dog with us. And he watched us. Oh, he was a bulldog. And you could hear coyotes at night--wolves--a quarter of a mile away from us, at night. We didn't have no wagon or nothing--just our guns. I don't know now safe we'd be if they had attacked us, with that one dog. We had guns, but we didn't have no lights, we just had one carbide light, you know. But we could have probably started a fire with dead mesquite, you know, brush, that was near us.

(Who did you go down with?)