

nóuxun é'n--nin' -- nóuxun é'nin' -- nóuxu-né'n-nin'

(How do you say "fox"?)

Fox? nóuxú -- nóuxun é'n -- "Fox men".

(How do you say just "man"?)

hin é'nin -- hin é'nin' -- nóuxun é'nin'

(What kind of a fox is that?)

Well, any kind of a fox--it can be gray or blue, red--any species of fox. That's what they go by. Just so it's a fox.

(You mentioned this Kit Fox--do you have a different name for "kit-fox"?)

Well, that's the way somebody translated it in the early time. Either it was Kroeber or--I know it wasn't Mooney. Kroeber or one of these anthropologists. I think it's mostly through Kroeber. He died three years ago. (Both A. L. Kroeber and James Mooney did work among the Oklahoma Arapahoes in the early 1900's--jj) I think I was reading in that book that Mrs. Bass wrote--that might mention that. (Referring to The Arapaho Way, by Althea Bass) Because Carl Sweazy--at that time--he was just about two years older than I was--and we were both Fox boys at that time.

(Is this kit-fox a different kind of fox from the red fox?)

It's just an age--because they're young.. Kits, you know. That's what it means.

Kit--kit-fox. Just young boys.

(You were saying this Fox organization is sort of training for these young boys--could you explain how they get their training?)

Well, they're grouped together. Say, like in 1901--I was about seventeen years old--sixteen or seventeen. And there was a winter Sun Dance over here north of Geary in 1901. The old men--we always them sit with us and eat with us--they'd get up and show us danced--how the kit-fox dances--and how to behave, and learn the songs. And all through that meeting--get together--they tell us what we should do. Learn to butcher early in your life. Learn to hunt and learn to shoot arrows. Learn to make arrows. Learn to handle horses. All those things. And during cold weather or any kind of weather--go out when