

our Indian regalia and 'come' back--straight dance--all those things. The elders' wives--eighteen or twenty of those women--cook the food for us. Breakfast, dinner--and we'd always have three or four old men in there all the time, giving us advice, you know, of their past experience. There^a has been some great men that grew up from that organization--to warriors. They all belonged to it. Originally. They start out with the Fox organization.

(Where were your folks living at that time they told you--?)

My home was just about two or three miles west--northwest of there. We didn't have very far to move to camp for that winter doings.

(Where was that camp?)

Right straight north of Geary, across the river.

(Were your folks still living in a tipi at that time?)

Yeah, they lived in one when we camped out. They all had tipis. Of course we lived in a house that time--a three-room house was our home.

(What had you been doing over at Darlington?)

I was working at the store there. I had a Sunday School teacher by the name of W. A. Sullivan who came out from Washington, D. C., and he was a clerk at the Agency. So when one of the store merchants died, he bought the store and quit his government service and ran the store. And because I was one of the boys in his Sunday School class, he probably thought I was a pretty good boy and he gave me a job. At the store. And that's where I had been when I attended this winter doings.

(How long did this thing last--when you joined the Fox organization, how many days did you go to the tipi?)

Well, that time we danced three days and three nights. We stood together. See, it goes three days and three nights. Of course we go to our camps between times, when there wasn't anything going on, and we could skip a meal there and eat at our own homes. When they call us, we had to be there. And then the last day of the Sun Dance--I think it was about the eleventh--that's when we close our-- we go to look on the Sun Dance. It was cold weather, you know, and we come back