

Colorado. Anyway, the parties separated. And this southern bunch drifted two or three days before they took out from where they were camping. Temporarily camp. So they went over the divide to the northern Utes in Utah. Two or three day journey, I guess it was, horseback. And they found where the Utes had their ponies herded, you know--pastured in the river bottoms. They came back and they stayed off from going into the Ute country to get the ponies several days. So they finally made up their minds to go out and see once more--see how everything looked. In the meantime this southern bunch had gotten what they wanted, and they were working their way back to western Wyoming and eastern Utah. They waited two or three days until one morning they saw smoke down in the valley--these southerners--the ones that had gone down south. So they sent two or three boys to go and see who those were that were causing that smoke in the valley. So these boys went down there, and they came back and reported, "That's our people. That's Arapahoes camping down there." Well, they said, "Let's not cook breakfast--let's go on over there and meet them." So they packed up and went on to the camp. They met each other. So his brother asked if he was there. He said, "Well, he's here but we sent a bunch of boys to go and check about those herds that we're going to run off tonight. He'll be back after a while. They're going to come back and report. They're gone since early morning." Evidently it was pretty close to Ute country then. So that day, sure enough this boy came with a bunch of boys that had been sent out there to check all arrangements. So his brother met him and he called him and said, "Brother, here's a pony you're going to ride. You're a young man now. You're going to go on these journeys. I want you to ride this horse." It was a beautiful palomino. Arapahoes call that kind of a pony--a Palomino--a "white-mane horse." "White-man pony." White man. You know, palomino's have white manes. The Arapaho name is *naḥkusaḥ.ninaed*. So the boy took that horse and then his brother told him, "Now you're a young man now. I'm gonna fix your hair good. You're gonna dress like a young man. You're gonna wear a blanket." So his brother went about and asked these other guys if they