

(Well, O.K.)

We might not get all of it but we can get part of it anyway.

Devil's Tower Story

(Do you know any stories about Zodal-tone?) (Interruption--Buy resumes on subject of Devil's Tower.) (We'll talk about the Devil's Tower story now, Ok?)

Devil's Tower is somewhere in Wyoming isn't it?

(I think so. I never have been there.)

Well, there was a large village camp--Kiowas-- on one of those rivers.

We call it a Bear Lodge. Somebody in the early days called it the

Bear Lodge but the Kiowas didn't call it the Bear Lodge. But somebody

give it that name--that village. The reason they give it the "Bear Lodge" is, early days, when the Indians camped they don't have wells.

They usually go to get water from the same spring. For illustration,

the Kiowas used to camp on this creek--a half a mile on both sides--

the same spring. Great big spring cross this little hill over there

called Eagle Heart Springs. (referring to creek close to his present house on north side of the Wichita Mountains.) It boils. Everybody

go and draws water from the same spring. That's the way they do.

All the Indians in the village go to a certain spring. On the other

side of the spring is a princess--the young chief daughter--goes to

water over there--and there's some plum bushes I heard way from the

spring. And some girls that go for water would go over there and pull

plums off the bushes and eat 'em. So this girl was in there among the

plum bushes pulling them off and up and got up a bear. But he was

friendly and this girl went over there and played with him and after

a while she finally left. And the next day or two they go back over

there and the bear watched for this girl to come back. And the bear

meet this girl again and they go over there and play, and sleep, and

pretty soon the girl went in love with the bear. Anyway the bear went

in love with the girl. This girl would carry water home sometimes and