

I never did know where he got it. It wasn't very popular. It looked odd with that dull selvedge edge, you know--striped. Because they were used to seeing that white edge, the white selvedge edge on this blue and red strouding. But this blanket didn't take very good, but somehow or another they come to find out it was the finest cloth that ever hit our people.

(Before they got that list cloth, did they make blue and red blankets out of the strouding?)

Oh yeah. And they had what they call a beaded blanket strip, about so wide--it had five circles (referring to the design). It was about four foot long, and about that wide--I got one made now. It have circles about that big around with a cross. Blue and red. One in the center and two on the side and one on the ends. I got my father's pattern. I made a drawing of it back about nineteen hundred three--about a year before he died. (Jess is referring to a sketch of the pattern of the blanket strip used by his father.) My niece is making it now. Gonna beadwork it. Get fifty dollars for it.

(When you first got that list cloth to sell at the store, do you remember how much it sold for?)

Five dollars a yard.

(It's more expensive--)

Yeah, it's doubled--fifty-six inches wide--be twenty-eight inches wide. But the selvedge edge is all running, you know. And we sold it by the running length.

The Kiowas and Comanches had that before we did. They got it about--oh, let's see--I remember seeing some of them about nineteen hundred--the Kiowas, Comanches.

Eighteen ninety-six, I heard, is when they first got it, through their leaders, Quanah Parker. I got a picture of him wearing that kind. Yeah, and he's got the girale around him.

(Did the Arapahoes ever use that list cloth for anything else besides the blankets?)

Leggings. Men's leggings. And they had a beaded strip.

CLEANING GARMENTS OF LIST CLOTH:

(Could they wash those, too?)