

about is still in the hands of the Kiowas today. But just who got it, I can't tell you. Because it's been handed down, down, down; each one that carried died and then the next of kin and their kin. I don't know whether anybody is old enough to remember which one it is. It's hard to identify unless some of those custodians could trace it back to who the original "Never Unsaddle" God is. If you could find out which one of the ten Grandmother Gods was owned by Never Unsaddle, called Tau.taite. Cause Tau.taite was custodian. The one that had it today, this is the one Tau.taite carried way back down the years. And you got the original one. You may be able to find out. I'll try to help too. We might find it. It's gonna be hard to find cause there are hardly any old people living now.

(Who are the custodians now?)

Well, they've changed hands so often, I don't know who they are now. But I know one, sometimes one of the custodians have four or five that he's caring (for), to keep them from spreading out. Suppose I had one of them and I'm always on the go or I got a job somewhere. I haven't time to watch it or take care of it according to ritual. And another one got one over here. "Will you take care of this one for me with yours?" And then another one here, he didn't have a place for one. But they're owned by different ones. And he's caring for one but also taking care of those others. Like a man owns a fine horse here and he can't take care of it so he takes it to his neighbors and puts it in his neighbor's hands. That's the way it is.

(Well, did the Kiowas ever get the Taimé back?)

Yes, Yes. Now in about a year or so.....