

their stomach, they will spit it out, they've seen it. There is Indians alive today that will vouch to that. I can't say one way or another whether it's true or not true; other Indians have seen it, well, I have a cousin that's seen that first hand I think, he can still tell you those stories about that snake medicine, how they, how this particular person that practiced snake medicine keeps a live snake in their stomach. I know my grandmother used to tell me that her father had some type of powers; one time, there were three sisters, they were hungry for grapes and he said if you'll close your eyes I'll get the grapes for you from out of the sand; the girls closed their eyes and sure enough, he stuck his hand into the sand and pull out some grapes. Grandma says they were real grapes and they ate them.

(How old were they when this--?)

I don't know how old they were, but they said, I imagine they were little girls. Whether it's a sleight of hand or whether they have these particular powers, I think they said he had spider powers--

(Is that the Spider Magician that Gaitha was talking about?)

Yow, that's the one. If any poisonous spider bite him he just spits on the particular spot and rub it and nothing happens. Whether it's true or not, I couldn't say, I just get most of these stories second hand from relatives.

(How well settled was the country when you were growing up? I remember you telling a story of the marshalls getting run off by the outlaws.)

Oh, Grandpa and them, I guess it's pretty wild at that time.

(Is this when you were a child?)

It's for I was even born; grandpa Lynn Ware had a couple of other brothers, Guy, living at Hog Creek and Harry lives at what is now where the Apache Y is, that road going west from Arapaho turns toward Apache and the other goes to Ft. Cobb; that's where he lived. Harry was gone somewhere and they had some cattle up there so grandpa went early in the morning to check on the cattle and he got to his brothers house he noticed something was wrong. He say this deputy U.S. marshall running down the gully, he was frightened to death, grandpa stepped him, he wasn't able to talk to him and he just kept pointing at the house and grandpa, I guess grandpa was on a horse,