

any tribe's customs. Don't affiliate with other tribes so they are pure Sioux. Santees and Yanctonai adopted white ways long before Teton and they pride themselves on being civilized and they consider the Tetons heathens or barbarous. Santees are divided into bands too. They have some funny names. Santees are divided into Leave Shooters, Sissetons, Indians-who-live-in-timbers. These are great bands of Santees. They live where there are plenty of ducks and water birds and are given to fishing. They do not have much opportunity to eat buffalo and meat like that. They Sioux make fun of them and the Santees retaliate. The Santees don't eat the tongue of a beef and don't eat badger or wolf. They suppose that the Tetons eat all of them when in fact they don't. They just imagine it, so they call them Tongue Eaters. In late years they call the Santees Split Coats. They don't wear common sack coats, they wear swallow tail coats and plug hats. The Oglalas and Huncpapas don't have nicknames.

Throwing Jokes at Each Other - A preacher named Ross had a pretty wife. They always joked him about how he won her. One time he went to see her to take her for a ride in an ox cart. The girl didn't want to ride in an ox cart. They teased him about this and told many jokes about him.

Sometimes in songs they mention the eagle tribe. That means that class of birds. Same way with the crows. Crows as a bird are imagined as a tribe.

Otos are pretty well tattooed. Among Sioux there are very few who are tattooed. A woman must be extraordinarily good looking to get this mark. Some other woman tattoos her. There are some living women tattooed. I think SB was tattooed somewhere. If so it would be somewhere on his forehead. It would be blue, a straight vertical mark or a round one. Blue is the only color used.