

(Laughter) (Well, that's good way, I guess.)

Uh-huh, they use them, the girls have to sleep with men just like a sleeping bag. (Laughter). And that's, they have to use them every night, you know. Course, they was to some body it will go where' every you go. They're to used to take them, guard them, protect them regardless, you know, to be a virgin until they're married. That's the way they did it. But it's not that way, I think nowadays. But, anyway, it was that way like there, and the boys not supposed to marry until they're twenty-five years old. Then, they're man, see, can't call them young men, they were men. They were abled body for warfare, for hunting for endurance, everything.

(Maturity too, the mind too.)

Yeah, mind too, yeah, they get to all study of nature and everything.

That's one of the things I learned, that's interesting, and...

(Sure would help seems like nowadays. Albert, do you recall how the chief and subchiefs were selected, were they hereditary or were they great hunters or how are these chiefs chosen?)

The chief, one of the Poncas, when they first, well when they first came, that's what they said. I don't know. From Virginia, they tell us that Indians, we came, somebody brought us here. That's what they claim. That's what they say. We landed in Virginia shores. And they tell us how high the rocks were, sand here, and there's no way of getting to the top. But the person that brought them here, there's a way, and there was a path. There was a way up to the top. And when he brought here, why, he taught them. He told them what's what, and what they supposed to do. That was the time they named the chief. This man going be the head man, so you mind him. He'll tell you what to do. He'll tell you the truth. So, that's the