

"fairy stories"--that's the same thing. Same thing,

(Now are there some other kinds of stories they used to tell to children, like how the rabbit got his short tail and stories how that?)

No--well, it comes in with these night stories. There's a lot of things that come in, like, bear--how he got his short tail, and how the coyote is wild, and all that. Things like that.

(You know these companies you were talking about a while ago--these Tomahawks and these Gourd Dancers--are there any stories connected with those companies?)

I don't know.

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(like how they began or anything like that?)

Well, I don't know how they begin, but you know lot of this stuff they learned, they used to go up in the mountains or big hills and fast and cry and pray. Then the spirit would come and tell them how to do this, how to start it--that's where they get all those doings. And that's why these Arapahoes had a respect for this Tomahawk Dance and this Gourd Dance. They really had a respect for it. They didn't just get our and dance--the one that pledged to put up this, he gave lot of things out--even horses, and he cook and feed. That's why I when I see these Kiowas dance, I always just think they just took it away from the Arapahoes and make a show out of it. But I guess it's our way.

(But you said you husband was in the Tomahawk company?)

He was going to be--he didn't get to dance. He wouldn't go in. They're very afraid of those things. He didn't want to join it. He didn't want to get in there.

(Why not?)