

No, that was among the prairie tribes. We didn't practice that.

(What would a person do if he wanted to get married?)

Well, from what they say back in the years before the country opened, why they would tell his father and his mother and his father would go and speak for the parties involved. So that was the way they did that and if all was approved that's all there was to it. Whether it was an Indian marriage or whether they had a minister. So that depended on who it was, who's concerned and that's all.

(Do you know if there are many people that do that today too?)

Well, I don't think so. Because that's been forbidden a long time ago. Because they didn't think a lot of those marriages like that, they didn't turn out very well pre-arranged.

(Do you know if the government or the agency ever tried to stop that?)

No, they never have, not that I know of.

(Did you get married in a church?)

Well, we couldn't because my husband was a divorcee and we couldn't according to my church because they don't allow that so it was just a civil marriage.

(When someone got married would they give any gifts to someone else?)

Well they used to but they don't do it anymore. They have a shower and that's the end of it.

(Do people ever live with their families after get married today?)

Oh yes. A lot of them do.

(Which family do they go to live with?)

It's generally the girl's parents. Most generally.

(Did they do that in the past too?)

Oh yes. Uhuh.