

And on this hand there should be a sabre. And it is the place where they light the candle and they say a prayer to guide them on their way back home. And they put the candle up here and that is for their - well, moral, or what you call their spiritual well being. See. Each one of these faces represent something. But I have forgotten what that priest told me. But I know one thing, that at the time he dug up that information for me, this was the only one of this type hand carved in the United States. I asked him, I said "Well, you know I had been offered \$50 and then \$500. So, I asked him, I said, " Well what do you think that's worth?" You know they don't have money. See. So they don't deal like that. He said, "Well, I tell you they showed me all through the church and they have a machine type one made that's a little taller than that and it cost them \$1100, and it was painted." Now this Mr. Cooper, he was a collector of the painted type. And anyway, he said he gave a couple ( not clear) and he said not to take less than \$1100. for it. And so I probably would 've sold it to a guy for \$500. That way it was making plenty and had a tone to his voice, I figured he was making fun of me. So, I said "Phooey." Oh, I didn't say "Phooey." But you know what I mean, I just turned him down. They are worth more than that to me. I don't know if I should be, but I like to help things and then I <sup>got a</sup> mess with things. Some things from the family - I used to have a bible ( Irrelevant remarks)

( You were talking about this survival - weren't you telling something about some birds earlier around here?)

Well, Yeah. There's a - lots - a great number of different kinds of birds in Oklahoma. Now, out our way, there's two or three of these birds that are scavengers. You don't eat them because you can get, you know, germs. But now - believe it or not, the present day birds don't have the resistance against disease like the early birds did. I don't know why. You know somebody study this night.