

and they get to squabbling. Sometimes they just gather up their stuff because they're cheating over there and they play over again. And that's a Hand Game.

(Would they ever gamble lots of things? I mean bet lots and lots of goods?)

Yes. They gambled, they gambled. They take, like in a house here, and you were a good gambler. You come and gamble with me. And I say, "I put up this table with the chair." All right, well, maybe you beat me. Well, I say, "I'll gamble more. I put up that clock." All right, then pretty soon maybe you beat me again. I put up this and I put up that. They gamble everything they got. Sometimes they get so strong trying to win, you know.

(How do they decide which side they are going to be on?)

How did they decide? They just go in there, just like me and you. You was on the south side and I was on the north side. The folks generally come in and say, "Well, I believe I get on your side." And somebody else come and say, "I'll be on Cecil's side." And that's the way they gang up. That's the way they pick out their companies together and then play.

(Do men and women both play?)

Both play. Mostly women like to play that all the time. The Rock Game is mostly a women's game.

(Well, this Hand Game, did they play that a long time ago?)

Oh, they play that long time. That's a long time game. Before I was born they played it. The way they do, there'd be a company of Hobart Indians down in the river in the timber, and there's some people living over at Anadarko down in the timber somewheres. And they get together one day and they just match up, you know.