

(sings again) At the end of each word, he's supposed to gobble (imitates turkey gobble). Everytime he gobbles, this bunch in there hollers, "Yaaaahh." And they sing another song. They keep a-singing there till somebody feels sorry and throw a shawl or blanket or pay his fine before he could stop. If there ain't no relatives of his, maybe he's having a hard time, sweating. Maybe they make him dance a half hour. And he's all in. Somebody feels sorry for him and put a nice tie or something-- throw it there at his feet. Or a five dollar bill, and that stops it. (That's interesting. Did you ever have to do that, yourself?)

Turkey Dance? Yeah. Well; at a real gathering here, of the Blackfoot, I went to Lawton or somewhere and it was over here two miles south of here--Kiowa Jim's farm. Big camp ground. And they were having a big feast. And the Blackfeet was dancing all afternoon. I come in and we come in there was a big crowd there, and the Blackfoot was going on. As long as they see you and you stay away, you are free. But you can't take part in the eats because you didn't appear at the regular time. But the rest of the public can feast--welcome. But if you can sit down and they don't recognize you, you're free. They had so big a feast, so I wanted to join. So I slipped up and there was some friends of mine sitting over there and making motions. I slipped over there and got between. They already set the table and the dishes and they began to set the food in. And I know it's too late to make me dance on the tail (?) They put the drum up and everything behind. So I slipped in and I sit down. And they saw me. Some of them saw me. They come to another fellow. He slipped in. And another fellow slipped in. Somebody reported us. "Hey, chief--these four fellows just came in. What we going to do?" Well, the boss said, "Woman, take the dishes away." That means they got to be punished. They take them away, and about that time, two--they have sergeants-at-arms in there. And before they taken the dishes away, two or three men