

Mr. Harper: You have to divide your clans up. Then within your Tzi-shos you got, different, you got other clans in that, but your groups consist of, headquarter clan. Headquarter clan is--I guess you might say, is that there starting point of the divisions of your clans there again. It's a group of clans together comprised of the one group, one group you call (interrupted)--

Mrs. Harper: Deer, bear clans.

(Well, you said that the sky clan was eagle, what else would be in the sky?)

Mr. Harper: (not clear)

Mrs. Harper: Thunder, you know, elements I guess you'd say. See like old man (Osage name) named the War Mother's after it. See, it's name is (Indian name) means sun, pertaining to the sun. I guess all those names--see, where they got those names comes from the elements, you know. Sun or birds, you know.

Mr. Harper: See, lot of times they go into--Osages, I don't know, lot of tribes they have fowl of the air. Their division look to that. They have the eagle, pigeon. Then you go into your eastern band. They have the water fowl names for their clans, see. Plains Indians, Osages they belong to the Plains Indians, they have this kind of unique, unique tribal division of clans. Some tribes just consist of--some tribes just consist of seven clans, that's it, see. Or some other tribes like the Osages pretty hard to understand unless you know what you're talking about. Their division, dividing you know, it's like the earth from the sky. They call these here, names like the moon, the eagles or the snow or the sun or thunder, or they have another word. They have the hawk clan, or the sparrows or other bird clan.

TATOO SYMBOLS AND INTERPRETATION ARE IN A CERTAIN BOOK

Mrs. Harper: My grandfather helped make this book in Washington and it's got--

Unidentified Voice: "Honka," do you spell that Hon--?

Mrs. Harper: No, the "N" is not written, but I mean it's just a small--

Unidentified Voice: My Indian name is Wah-sha-sha-honka--(background noise)