

Then it is tied to the board and the ribbon work goes around this and also a four braid yarn work is used along with some yarn work is used to tie this board and keep it in place. And there's people who have a few of these and many of the older ones are at the museums today.

FRIENDSHIP WITH CHEROKEES

During these years in the early part of 1920 or maybe just a little earlier, right through there, there was a Cherokee couple, full blood Cherokee couple, came from Tahlequah up here. I think they lived in a little town right by Tahlequah called Hulbert. And they took care of my grandfather Red Corn. It was after his wife passed away, he was getting old and my dad and my uncle employed these people to stay with him. So they came and just made their home with him and we enjoyed those people very much. They had three daughters and we became friends with them and they stayed with my grandfather until he died, and there were several Cherokee people who came. Full blood Cherokees came and lived right here in the Indian village and many of them attended our Church over here that we attend. It was good to see that the Cherokees and Osages didn't have any bad thoughts about each other even though we know through history, early times, they used to fight each other. But we have many friends from the Cherokees. These folks was named Keener, Johnson-Keener. His wife was named Susie. There was another Cherokee couple that attended the church that we went to--Osage Indian Baptist Church. They lived here in the Indian camp. Their names was John Hitcher and Sadie Hitcher. There was also another Cherokee woman who was a fullblood, but she was married to a white man, but they came from down around Tahlequah. They lived here until she died and he went to live with his children. They raised their families around here and we enjoyed them, having them here.

BAPTIST CONVENTIONS BROUGHT MANY TRIBES TOGETHER

When the Southern Baptist Convention organized the Osage Indian Baptist Church, along about the same time they organized the Kickapoo Mission which was located