

Yes. Yes, Frances was a good singer. Yeah, Frances and - seem like, oh, I can't remember the names. I can see him yet, but I can't remember. Ol' Minkie, he used to be a pretty good singer, too.

(Now, ah, just like those old time dances like that - did they - in those old timers, did they - you don't remember any of the old, real old time dances, do you? I mean they like (word not clear) around a - well, that's just what I've heard, you know, that they had what they call a Sun Dance where they --)

SUN DANCE AMONG THE PONCA TRIBE

Yes, I've seen them. I've seen them have that Sun Dance, but that was the Poncas. That was before I got acquainted with the Osages. I never saw the Osages have a Sun Dance, but I saw the Poncas have a Sun Dance. And they would dance - they would get up there and dance just as soon as they could see in the mornings, and they would just dance all day, through that sun, until they would fall over. Oh yes, they - they - that was quite a thing there amongst the Poncas. When we first come to this country, that was way back there in 18 and 95, I think it was about '96 when I first seen them. (1896.)

1896 when I saw that dance. That was when we lived in the Osage, but we would have to go to across the river, then where wasn't no bridges on the river. We would have to cross the river in a wagon - ford it - and then we would go through what they call White Eagle, and then we would go on to Ponca, you see, to do our shopping. And there - there's where I'd see these dances out there at White Eagle.

(Yeah, I understand that the last dance they had at White Eagle was around 1907. Then they quit having them.)

Yeah, I guess so. Yeah - but at that time they were having those dances out there now. I just happened to be a girl, just a small girl and Pop was,