

to be from your own clan for example, or just if you like them?)

Well, it could be, but usually you pick somebody that's not related to you in any way. They have--some have been getting different tribes. But the old custom is, that you stay within your tribe which we tried to do as elders--as which I am one of the elders of the tribe. And we just sort of kind of cling together as much as we can because there's not very many of us. And then that way though we are being back into the tribe or we just keep on getting back deeper and deeper back into the tribe, keeping the customs and traditions in the tribe. But a lot of the young ones are spreading out, but they don't complete the ceremonies that we do have and of course there's a lot of things left out too, that we don't know. And the person that they select--they try to get somebody that they like and somebody that is worthy of being a member of this family. The old Indian families, they'll, good families--course some of them steps out of line sometimes, but that's with everybody, not just the Indians. But then they always get back on the right path after they have their "fling" I expect. And they haven't done anything any worse than anybody else. So they make it all right.

(Who participates in the adoption ceremony?)

Well, usually the elders. Of course, we have one that we use over there, quite a bit, and that's Ed Mack. He's usually the main one. He's really our "main guy." Our backbone, I guess of the tribe, I call him. He's very efficient in Indian understanding. And he's very strict. And then we use Bill Grass. He (not clear)--they are all Sac & Fox boys, and Lewis Copperhee and George Solique (?) I think is about the--and Grover Foster, who is chief of our tribe. He does all of the--all the bossin' around, I say--if he can. But he's like me. He's getting old, so nobody don't pay no attention to him. But he does--he does all--he does--they give--they respect him. And he tells them what to do.