

(I've seen the Kiowa Gourd Dance--)

GOURD DANCE

Yeah. Right now, that Gourd Dance, it's just like they just playing with it. But it wasn't that way, with the Arapahoes. They used to--when they was going dance--they used to pray and the one that leads it, they used to have to give him something. They have to go. And these Tomahawks, and these Gourds, they used to have to take them to these old priests and put Indian red paint on them and then up to there. And dance. And they used to used to just put canvas around. These two dances. And the east--open place--they weren't supposed to go in front. And they weren't supposed to go in front of these Gourd Dancers. If they want to go and talk to one, they used to come from east, behind their backs. They never did go in front of them. But now these Gourd Dancers, it's just like they're just playing with it.

(Are there any Groud Dancers among the Arapahoes today?)

Oh, some of them, they're joining in.

(Imogene: See, the Cheyennes are the ones that are reviving it, and I think there a few Arapahoes that dance with them.)

STAR HAWK AND TOMAHAWK LODGES

(What about this Star Hawk Lodge? Has it ever been revived or anything?)

No. Well, it used to come on when they had this Tomahawk Dance. And these Stars, they would dance maybe four place. Oh, it was nice to watch them.

(Well, did they ever have a dance where they carried these staffs and some of them had a crook on the end?)

Yes.

(Which one was that?)

That was the Tomahawks. And that last one, they had a stick about that long painted red, and feathers used to hang on it. And he's the one. And then there was one--one man--he had a stick. A red stick. He used to dance with