

know him too well. In fact, I didn't know him at all in his younger years as he was around 16 or 18 years older than I am, but I have heard that he was a young man--that in his youth, he had shown great leadership and his parents married him and the--married him to Miss Violet Oberly in the Osage traditional ceremonial wedding. And which we do not practice anymore. And he was--he had two daughters beside his son Bob. His wife and two daughters preceeded him in death and that he had lived a life that was fruitful. And that during his younger days, like as an elder son, why he was honored by the Osage Dance Group, the Osage Dance Society, and he was honored by them and he accepted the drum. And he was the drum keeper in the Hominy District for many years. I don't remember just when he relinquished it, but I mean he had been accorded honors according to the Osage people to the fullest. And I imagine that during the last few years if he had remembered back when he was young, all those things that had happened to him, he had indeed, memories to last a long time and they were good memories. And, like I say, the Osage people had thought with him, as one of our outstanding men, irregardless whether they agreed with him politically or not, they accorded, they respected him and showed him honors that had never been accorded any other man in his time. And like I say, he was decided to get into Osage politics in around 1938 or a little before then. It was 1938 that he was appointed Secretary of the Osage Tribal Council. But in the meantime, he was Rotarian in the City of Hominy, and he belonged to--he was a 32nd Degree Mason, and he was active in Civic affairs in the City of Hominy and after he was appointed Secretary in 1942, he was elected on the Osage Tribal Council. And that was when the-- Mr. Lookout was chief of the Osages. And I've talked to Mr. Pitts many a time and I was going to record some of his early life and some of his