

(Is this a tail?)

Tails. Of a cow. He gave it to her. And then Rising Bear, he went and gave him a black one. And this other one, he didn't give it, he just keep it. And it was hard for us to think the way he was. I used to say, "I'm a poor woman, and I hate for anything to be like that in my home." But he got it from that bull. He said, "That bull talked to me."

(You mean you hated for this to be in your home--the stone?)

No--that, you know, to be a medicine man or anything. And it went on and went on and he went to school. And come back home. Well, before he went to school he told his grandma, "Grandma, I'm going to school. But I'm going to be here with you," he told his grandma. "You take that brain and on the right hand side of the door, you put it. And when it come a storm, you take it and put it right west, in the middle, and it won't bother you," And that's the way the old lady used to do.

(That was your husband's mother?)

Yeah. But a lot of people want this. One day one chief come over here and said, "Old Lady, I sure want to see that." So I showed it to them. And you know he went overseas and he wrote to his father and said, "Whenever the wind blows up, you put that brain right west, in the middle, of your room. Or if you got a tent, put it right by the post, and I'll be back home." Sure enough, he got back home. He stayed five years in Germany.

(That was Tommy?)

Tommy, yeah. Then when he came home, he said he was going to dance this Sun Dance. And you know we don't have any over here. So I told him we'd have to go to Wyoming. We went to Wyoming and he danced. He danced. And