

That's what my father used to tell us. We learned that to be true. Like the Poncas, Omahas, you know, they talk alike.

(Pawnees, Quapaws.)

Yeah, Quapaws, and we can understand the Osages, and the Kaws and like the Comanches, and the Shoshone, I believe, they talk alike, and Tonkawas and the Apaches, they talk alike, just the same language, one tribe, but they're different tribes, you see. And (long pause)...

(See we have, to have Osages, I've been told, we have clans such as the Deer Clan, Bear. Do you all possibly have things that Poncas, have back there like that?)

Yes, we have that. We have, see, I belong to the Blood Clan (Ponca word) I'm a (Ponca word) I guess you know what that is. You have some of those too. And, oh, there's, I can't pronounce them in English very well.

(That's all right, just go ahead and tell them.)

And the other clans, (Ponca word), that's (Ponca word). Call it straight clan and (Ponca word) that's like Bear, (Wa-sa-be) and oh, I don't remember, there's several of them (Ponca word). And several others that I can't recall right now, but anyhow, we had the clans, the clans, clans, you know when they die, you know, people, they, custom is to put a little food at the head of the coffin or little water, and same way at the grave, but there's a clan that don't do that. They put the food there, but they don't put the water there. That's the clan they call Rainmaker: Whenever they put water in, it really rains they say, the way it does. I know it does. I know that. I don't know how it happens, but it rains so they don't put water there at the grave. And that the ...

(Yeah. That's interesting too, and, Albert, I'm about ready to change my tape here, those clans like at your days, kinda related to each other?