

and for meat they would go out and kill buffalo and other game. And the hides they would use for clothing. But speaking for the people, they..I won't say they were nomadic, but just like we said, they stayed in permanent villages. But one great thought we can see in the erecting of new village, new grass house. They would always ask, or give an invocation before they got in any dwelling or grass lodge. They would ask a blessing upon the home, thenew home that was going up. And furthermore, the older people believes that we had a set of ethics, or a code of ethics in which we were governed in our daily life. And also we could say that we lived next to nature, understeod nature, some of the laws of nature. And also like I stated that we lived within a code of ethics. So in that respect, I could say that they kried tolive in peaceful life.. as people. And I think dancing and ceremonial belief that they had was one of the outstanding features of that culture..among our people. Well from that time up to now, we always..sometimes look back upon what we was told byour older people. And we were always told that we tried to live that life as I stated. Until this day, and as a people of today, we can very well say that we are doing rather well. Cause we have more of our younger people trying to do something for themselves, trying to get a better education or to..other words, to learn to provide, or have a means of support for their families. Like it used tobe back yonder. And furthermore, they used to tell the younger generation that it was a disgrace not to have nomeans of support, or no method of providing for your family. But that was all in the teachings, in the rules of ethics, relating to the people..the younger generation. And going back to the origin of our talk here..I couldn't say what year it was that our people migrated into Kansas/ I think it was either during or a little prior to the Civil War, that they went up into Kansas, state of Kansas, and stayed there until after the Civil War ended. So I know for this reason that I had a grandmother, my mother's mother was born up in Wichita, Kansas. And she told..well, I was just a young man, eighteen, nineteen, when she passed away, and I said, grandma how long a time did youstay up there. She said, "We just spent..as young girl I