

women do. Oh, that's a rough game. Get into those boys. But these women, you're not supposed. When they got it on the stick... you're not supposed to hit. You might accidentally, but you're not supposed to. Even if it's right under yer nose, because it's on her stick. Till it's free, after it's thrown. And then, that's where some women have a race. Oh, we had some good runners.

(How did shinny go?)

Well, they play like the women. They all stand in the middle, and they throw the ball up, and as soon as it hits the ground, whoever gets hold of it first, hit the ball, you know.

(In shinny, can you pick the ball up?)

No, not with your hand. Just with that stick. Some way with this women's game, not supposed to pick it up with your hand, touch it with your hand.

(What did the Wichita call shinny?)

Oh, they just call it ?id?ik^{wi}'s Ball is called gasi?ins

WICHITA HAND GAME

(Were there any other games they played, for fun or gambling?)
I don't remember any now. I don't remember other games anymore. Just the hand game. I always wonder why they ever name hand game what we call it. They call asidi.k^{wis} That means hitting your shoe. I don't know how they ever, whatever made them call it that. I miss that game.

(Was the handgame ever sort of a religious game with the Wichita, or was it just for fun?)

Some of our old people was...believed in ...they believe in worshipping in that way, look like. Old timer way. Anything they did, like you said, they plant garden, they either stand there, sometime look up, pray that way. And that's the way with some of our people, I used to see them, when they play handgame, they say, well, so-and-so old lady and the other one going to have a handgame, and they have to have leaders out there, partners. And I see one of the women taken those things and go around the fire. I don't know what they meant. I just never... sometimes, take their sticks that they got to east, west, south and north. Always. Our people always believe in, these different