

say. They call it daesh shia?asda?c

(And how about the yellow corn?)

daesh hadishish

(And the speckled?)

daesh gic?kariada

(Did the Wichitas tell any stories about where corn came from in the first place?)

Uh, huh. I don't know the story. Grandma used to say...I guess that is what she meant, where her corn come from. She used to say that when God made man and woman....this is the Wichitas... when he made man and woman, he gave a woman corn....an ear of corn, with seven rows...you know, that's hard to find. There's eight all the time, or maybe ten, I don't know. But anyway, this is the only odd whatchallit. Now there's a picture....I think Aunt Katie has one...we used to have one, but I don't know whatever became of it, because that was my father's aunt. The picture that was taken. And this Aunt Katie's uncle was married to my dad's aunt...I been wanting to find out another thing...he had his hair cut, I don't know which side, but that picture would show...his hair is cut one side, and the other hair is long and braided and comes down. But that certain kind of a sign...I wanted to tell Aunt Katie because she knows quite a bit...or I have a cousin lives over here.

INDIAN BALL GAME OF SHINNY

Grandma always used to tell him a lot, you know, and the old man, my step grandpa, and he knows. Because...he....the old folks raised him. Anyway, the picture shows that, you can see it. She has an ear of corn, one side...just standing, she's got on her buckskin dress. She's got it in her hand, seven rows of it, white corn. And then on the other side of her hand, she has a woman's game...we have something like...in spring we used to go out...every spring they'd set a day, everybody come out, we gonna have a ball game. The men would have shinny. This ball was made out of ...I think it was made out of buckskin hide, of course, and the hair inside of it was buffalo hair. And they used to have that. And they had shinny....they make out of this dogwood. They cut it, it's the root part of it, it's big. They shape it a certain way, and that's what they use.