

Shoulder blade, you know it's wide-like. I don't know how they fasten it, some way, on a stick, you know. I wish I had one. I wish for a lot of things, that my grandchildrens knew. I didn't think it would been worth making and keeping. Just like those meat...we used to make our cornmeal you know, out of wood... like that. Now this man knows how to make them, my neighbor, George Bates, and he told me if you cut you a slippery elm and bring it over, I'll make it for you. I never have gotten anybody to do that.

(Is that one of those pounders?)

Yea, it's round, and some...my mother had one when she died, but one old lady had asked for it, and my sister went and gave it to her. Oh, I was mad at her. I said, I was going to keep that. It got a hole in the middle, you know. I think you might have seen. I think there's one over here at arts and craft. It's an old one. And they have one in Wichita, Kansas...Wichita Falls. They used to use rocks...they had one over there, I never had seen one like that. I was surprised. And that man said, that was all...it took the place of those wooden ones that you all had. It's old. I guess they found it over there somewhere. It's shaped like...an oval shaped like. It's kind of deep, like. But it's...there's a wooden one that somebody had made. And I know that's what it is. The way they shaped it, it kind of comes low in the center. I said to that man, I said my grandmother used to say, sometimes when they...course that's all they had, cornbread, that kind of cornbread.

And they used to...maybe a bunch of women get their corn ready, they always have to cook it in ashes. Have to get the skin...the skin comes off. And till the corn is just white, then. Be about two, three woman get around them...used to have big ones...corn grinders. About three women get together, and they get their own sticks. One would hit and by the time she gets it out, another one, when she pulls it out, the other one. There'd be three of them. Just that quick.. Grandma said when you feel any of that corn meal it be almost hot. I guess three of them grinding...one lady's corn grind, then next one. Little while, they'd be through. They make corn bread...more than one