

Only it's kinda got a little baby sound to it. Baby sound.

(Have you ever visited their reservation?)

Yeah. Browning (Montana). I got a daughter-in-law there. She was here Christmas. I kind of wanted you to be here. She talks her language and I understood her. In part. In part. But maybe the first or the last portion of her words were similar to Arapaho, but the full meaning of it, if you translate one word of her language, it makes something else. It meant something else. But, like the Caddoes. We understand them when they talk. But whatever they're saying, it don't mean what we understand. It's got a different meaning to their language. But we understand their language.

(You understand it but it means something different to them?)

Different from them. Different from us. Like, the Caddoes will say 'caenísae -- well, that means "Get out of the way." But when the Caddoes say that, well they are saying "Give it to me." See, there's two different things. But these here Gros Ventres, they say things that we understand it, but we have a stronger sound in our words to where their sound of that word--same word--it's got a baby sound to it. Like a baby--you know how a baby talks. And they can't bring out the full sound of whatever they're trying to say. They're trying to say, like, this little Bobby over here--they're trying to say "whoopie, whoopie," and he says "women." That's what he's talking about. He can't bring the full meaning of "women." Well, that's similar to the Gros Ventres.

(Were the Arapahoes and the Gros Ventres ever together?)

Well, that's something I don't know. That's beyond me, there. I've had someone tell me that the -- Initially the other tribes that we got here--the Gros Ventres and "Roaming tribe" and "Prairie Tribe", they're all affiliated pretty close together. But, the Gros Ventres never did come down, with the southern and the northern Arapahoes. They never did come down. They just remain up in Montana or somewheres up in the Dakotas. They just drifted back up that way.

(Have there been many Gros Ventres that have married Arapahoes that you know of?)