

John: But don't record this. I--after we got everything set up, here come fifteen, twenty chiefs. We already through, see. Should have been there to help us go down the river and help us select that--there's only six of us. And I took meat and bread ever time I went up there. I was tellin', in the early way, we use horses; people were proud of their horses. Decorate 'em, tie their tails in a knot, put a bright handkerchief. And they even make like a wreath over their head, you know. And they drag all that stuff.

Susie: You make it out of that willow, those things?

John: Um-hum.

(When they put them around their neck?)

John: Yeah, only it's out of a willow leaves, you know. You know they easier to make 'em round.

(Yeah.)

I was tellin' you, they also put a rag on that stake where that center post gonna be. And they guys race on their horses to see who can hit it first one. And I was tellin' em' this year, we had to have a foot race, but me and Arthur, we was so tired--we had one young chief 'bout his age. We told him that he can run for us. Run--outrun everybody.

(I guess I had better be getting on now. I...)

John: Yeah.

(--I didn't see how late it was. I just stopped by for a few minutes to say hello and...)

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