

the way we played.

(You remember that you were talking about ball games. Could you tell me what kind of ball games those were?)

That was the old, you know, they have two little balls on each end of a..like a string made out of buckskin. Just like shinny games. They have a base on either side, one for men and one for women. And they always bet for all kinds of..they didn't bet money but they always had materials and various things. Even edibles like corn and pumpkin and such stuff as that. Which ever side won, they got the whole load. That's the best they played. It really was a ball because we always had Chickasaws and Seminoles to come over and some of the Creeks. Used to come over and they played that game just like they do.

(Did you ever play a game that was like pushing a small stone with a forked stick?)

I don't think so. I never did hear of it but they played this sort of shinny game but they had this stick with a kind of crook on it at the end. Of course, they were all carved some of them were really fancy. Because I remember one instance my grand uncle who was my grand aunt's husband, by the name of Snow Chief why he had a sister-in-law. She came out and had a big bow on her skirt and she just ran that into a loop on top of her skirt. And then they were playing ball and that was his sister-in-law and so he didn't care what he did to her. He used the hook on his shinny stick he pulled that ribbon out. She lost her skirt and she went off. (Laughs) Course she had other skirts on but she lost her top skirt you know what I mean he untied that bow and down went that skirt and she kept on running. (Laughs) Oh, they used to be terrible.