

DANCE STEPS:

(I've got some questions I wanted to ask you about you do the dance. One of them was, how many different parts are there to the dance today?)

Well, there's uh, the first where they call the turkeys in. And the second part is that step. You know, where my cousin got up and she was showing them how to step that. She wasn't in, she had to be the judge. She said, "I sure would have liked to dance, but they got me on this." Why then you know that left her out. She's an expert on that because my aunt was one of the women that really knew how to do that kind of dance. And so that was one reason why that's the second part. They're all supposed to scatter out and that's the part that indicates the turkeys scattering out and picking out the grain like corn. Now, that's the indication, the second part.

(And in the first part, what are the women doing?)

Oh, they just coming in and dancing just around when they call the turkeys in. That's what they're supposed to do.

(Is that the part when the women just make a line and go around in a circle?)

Yes uhuh.

(And then the second, that's when they're supposed to scatter out?)

Yew, uhuh. Scatter out and be picking up grain. There was two old women in the old days and she always indicated where..she rode a stick horse. when she came in. Just like you would be riding a horse and then she'd come in and be riding that stick horse and then when that part come in, she'd put the stick aside and then she'd indicate where she was picking up the..they used to go through all those rituals, that is, what I've