

run around and go to dances and things?)

Yes.

(What kind of dances did they have back then that they might want to go to?)

They had Round Dances. And this War Dance was kind of a religious dance back then.

They couldn't dance it. This what they call I can't translate it but in Indian they

call it 'onixanotxeyo'. 'onixa means Ponca and notxe means a Clan. I guess that

was the translation that I could give right now. That was the name of this religious

dance that they had. It was kind of a war dance, like. War Dance--the way they

dance around--it was like that. It was a sacred dance--very highly religious dance.

And no one could just go in there. You had to be a member. My uncle was one of

them--My father's brother. He was one of them. He used to talk about it and

that's how come I knew something about it.

(What kind of dances did they have where girls and boy's could get together?)

It was called "Double Header." There would be two girls dancing facing one way

and the boy in the middle facing the other way, and they'd dance. And there was

several different parts to that. It come where there's one caller--just like

square dance. He'd call. He'd tell them what was coming on next. But most of

the time they were dancing, it was just two girls and a boy in the middle. These

girls would get up first and go get their partner. And this boy would get up.

He would face the other way. Just like that and they turn every once in a while.

(Did they have a drum?)