

MARRIAGE CUSTOMS

Well, after quitting school, in 1908, I lived with my parents. And ah - my aunt name was (Osage name) and my Uncle's name was (Osage name -) - Louis ----. And ah - they were very good to me. And I was raised just like I was their real son, and they treated me just like their own. And ah - however you know, our old people they - as soon as you get of age, they want to marry you off, so that's what they did. And they married me off, and of course in those days, we didn't court or spark, or whatever you might call it. We had to marry the girls they have chosen. Maybe we have never seen her before, but yet we had to go through a great ceremony. And ah - give lot of horses away, to the brides people. And they would call all their relations in and each one would have some benefit out of it. And my people had to furnish - and even had to cook for them. And ah - during these ceremonies - sometimes it took four days - And sometimes it took 8 or 10 days, it's just whenever they were satisfied. Well then - the marriage would go off. And so - then later - we had couple of children - so we moved on a farm. And we moved on a farm, and there we stayed there - for - until my oldest boy got old enough to go to school. So we had to move back in town, we didn't have no - those schools out where - in our neighborhood where we lived. So we had to bring them back to school. And then - there come to - during the World War I, when I was called in for the service. So I went in and ah - when I came back - I had to quit my farming and try to give my boys a convenience where they could go to school. So that's what we did. But before I go any further -

MEDICAL PRACTICES

I would like to say something about my uncle's father. He was