

they treat you good. Plain. They wash their blankets until they almost faded white. They don't buy fancy clothes, no. Caddoes are just plain, good old honest people. And we like the Otoes. They're just like that, too. They're honest. They like to feed you. They like to take care of you. Friendly enough. They don't have the desire to hook you out of anything. They come visit us. Of course if we want to give them anything--moccasins--well, we give it to them. But they're two tribes that we like, the Arapahoes. And our people's married into their tribe and they married--there's some Otoes here. Same way with the Caddoes.

(Pause)

The sign language is universal. In fact, they have that exposition in Anadarko in August. They changed it four years ago from August to July, but lot of them don't like it, so they changed it back to August this year. But lot of different tribes come. They like to see the Arapahoes and their beautiful costumes. And the Arapahoes decided to get together--about sixty girls in buckskin dresses--oh, looks beautiful! Night performance--the pageant. Them other tribes, they don't do that. Those Otoes, Pawnees, Osages, Poncas come just to view the Arapahoes and Cheyennes--see what they put on. Tall Indians, you know--perform. (Pause and then Jess starts talking about sign language again.) Then we can talk--like if I'm sitting on the street somewhere and another fellow or two are a block away. You can talk two or three blocks away in sign language. (Some irrelevant conversation.)

GETTING MESCAL BEANS IN TEXAS AND MEXICO

(Have you ever travelled in Mexico?)

Yes, I have been in Old Mexico. I went to Matamoros and Monterey and all that across the border.

(What did you do down there?)

Oh, just run around there. And I used to go down there to see them bullfights down in Monterey. They have them every Washington's birthday. And then there's