

yet. A few of them drink, but they behave pretty good after they see us around. They don't cut up and they don't have any trouble. It's about this last 25 years, I guess, when all this rough stuff commenced to come in. School educated boys bring in other non-Indians and introduce whiskey. And even colored people and Mexicans and others get in who've been drinking and taking part. They never take them and drive them away because they came to take part in fun. And as long as they behave themselves, they'd let them go on. But when they get too bad and cut up and cause trouble, then somebody leads them out. Acting officers, or officers, take them out, tell them they must get away--they can't do that. Where they insist and keep coming back, then they have to get them and put them in the city jail. But most other days, they don't have no trouble with them.

(Back when you were a policeman and they had these social dances or love dances, say, like a man got jealous of his wife or something, would the police ever have to step in and do anything?)
No. We--they do that but they don't do it in public them days. They just take them back home in the tipi. And the next morning they find out and they all beat up. And they report and that man has to be handed over to civil court cause the country's already open, and the courts handle you. But most of them women that's been whipped, they're afraid to file charges, they don't sign the charges. Don't witness against them and the judge don't do anything about it. They're afraid maybe their husband might quit for good and they don't bring any charges. That's the cause of it. We do get some of them up there. But the women fail to bring charges and testify against him.