

Yes, that's the original way of keeping the ten grandmother gods. If there was another one, it would be back of this tipi.

(Interruption)

MORE ON GAMBLING

(Well, in this gambling, if a man went out and gambled and lost everything he had, what would his wife do? Would she be mad?)

Well, naturally she would, but it seems that the man is the boss. They never did have any trouble over it. They just lost everything. Once in a while the wife would get mad and go to her parents. Leave him.

(Well, did the women gamble too?)

Yeah, womens gambled too. They'd gamble all their--everything--even their ponies--and horses. Well, my mother would bet bedding, tipi, plates, dishes--my mother was a great gambler. So she gambled. She had a tipi, bedding, plates--everything, you know, just like here. So they beat everything she had. Her tipi, her bedding--sometimes they bet their relative's things too. (Kiowa words)

Cecil: Bracelets, earrings, buckskin, everything. She lost everything. Dishes. One time when she lost everything--her father was living. So he told her, "This gambling is not a good thing. Sometimes you get lucky. Sometimes you don't." So she got everything beat. So one time visitors come to eat dinner with them. She didn't have no dishes. She lost everything gambling. Then she went to another place to borrow some plates--dishes. And when she went in there, this man said, "We not going to loan you nothing." See they get mad.

Guy: Some of them don't like it.