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SAM OSBORNE, PAWNEE

MRS. SAM OSBORNE, PAWNEE

INTERVIEWED BY: RAMONA OSBORNE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: PREPARATION AND PRESERVATION OF FOOD

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

CORN AND OTHER FOODS IN EARLY DAYS

PREPARATION FOR PLANTING AND GROWING CORN

PRAYER BEFORE PLANTING - BELIEF IN GOD

PREPARATION FOR CURING CORN

MORE ABOUT PLANTING CORN

PREPARATION FOR ROASTING CORN AND MAKING CORN MEAL

MAKING MUSH AND HOMINY AND MAKING CORN PANCAKES

CURING PUMPKIN

MORE ABOUT PLANTING CORN

NO OTHER TRIBE USED THE PAWNEE METHOD OR PROCESSING

A LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT GOES INTO THE PAWNEE WAY OF
PROCESSING

RELIGIOUS BELIEF IN SHARING

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANTS:

Sam Osborne was born January 25, 1899. He was born and reared west of Pawnee, Oklahoma and still lives there. Mr. Osborne is a graduate of Haskell Institute at Lawrence, Kansas. He was Chairman of the Pawnee Tribal Council from 1965 to 1970 and is still active in tribal affairs. He is a full blood Pawnee and a member of the Pawnee Indian Baptist Church where he serves as Deacon. He retired from Tinker Air Force Base in 1964.

Mrs. Sam Osborne was born September 4, 1904. Mrs. Osborne is also a full blood Pawnee. She is a graduate of Chilocco Indian School. She is a member of the Pawnee Indian Baptist Church where she serves as church pianist.

Note: Ramona Osborne, interviewer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Osborne.