

(Why?)

It involved too much strict rules. Like policy—their policy. You can't get jealous. If you get jealous, you be ridiculed or they make fun of you.

(Like jealous over what—what might they get jealous over?)

Like you—if you see another lady hanging around your husband, you're jealous. You gonna embarrass yourself and him, too. And if you're a member of this, it won't work.

Supposed to cause you bad luck or something. That's the superstition involved.

Have you ever heard of any cases where people got jealous or something like that and anything happened?)

Oh yeah, there's a lot of them. I couldn't say who or how, but there is some stories about that. Especially with *Xitidi'e*, and *manatidi'e*. and *xaitidi'e*. Each legion or each society has a rule. They vary. Like if you're a *Xitidi e*, you do the opposite.

*manatidi e*. is direct. *g a. tidi'e*, they got—they couldn't handle—

*Xitidi'e*., they're just normal people. Like infantry or artillery. Just like...

they got similar to this marines, paratroopers, all that. These are practically the same. That mean the same thing.

Back in those days, did all the adult men belong to the *manatidi' e*., or did just certain people—?)

Just warriors, like Frankie, and Wallace and Tom and Charlie. You have to be a veteran to been in here—have actual combat. That's where these ladies should have no part in it. But when they recognize they put ladies in it. And it's true that a woman in't got no voice in that society. Yet, they're permitted to take part—to dance and take part in anyway—help out.

Could anybody who hasn't been a member help out in the dancing or singing?)

Yeah, just that group. That applies to different tribes, like Comanches, Caddoes, Wichitas, Cheyennes, and Arapahoes. They come and look on and if they feel like dancing, they can dance. They're welcome. Anybody can dance. I guess it's that way