

that I know of. 'Course there's other McKinleys live in Fairfax, you know. Is that the last - I was in Lorena's wedding and she said that was in 1930.

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(Those wedding coats and everything - did they make them here?)

Oh, I don't know. I had one made in Wichita, myself. I guess any tailor place that you have to take the - I don't know - a lot of Indians made it themselves, how they done. I had one made and I had it made in Wichita. But I had to send another one with it for a pattern, you know. So I guess that just anywhere they make 'em. I don't know. 'I always did have one, you know. Chooses the girl. I've got that down, haven't I? Then when they do, then they'll send - they pick certain persons - say two or three persons to go and ask for the girl for 'em. You got that down, haven't you?

(I was wondering - is that just anybody in their family?)

Yes. It's always mostly some relative in the family on either side - the mother or the father's side. It's usually, the main thing is if the mother has a brother. It's always usually the brother - I mean the girl's mother's brother, you know. That's usually that a way. You can see that. The girl's mother's brother is always usually the one takes the lead. And he's always the one that thinks the boy is all right or - he is supposed to say - her brother. I mean the mother's brother. Just like you, if your uncle Buddy thinks it is all right or - it's up to him. It's left to your mother's brother. You got that now? That is just usually it.. That's the way the old way, you know. 'Course if you don't have any brother and then the next kin comes in. Just like me and Aunt May. We didn't have brother. Now your uncle Raymond Red Corn, 'cause he was on my mother's side, was closest and they picked him and then on May's side, they picked Mr. Red Eagle. That's Eddie's father, you know. See, we didn't have no brothers, you know.