

if there were enough people that'd stay they'd have a little stomp dance after supper. But we lived over here oh about four and one half miles north of here and Coon Creek is about, on, I guess about four or five miles east. So we generally always came home. (words not clear) — us kids played. And like I said, it was sort of life and death-

Katherine: (Cherokees had games kinda like that I think that'd be about the same thing.)

Anna: No, what they used is just had a little handle on 'em and this little round thing had a little groove in it and they just hit the ball like that and just throw it again. When we were over there oh last — right after school was out we went on this tour and they had a bell up on a pole that they I would throw up and try to hit that to try to ring that bell. And, of course, I don't know what they call that but there was a group of them out there playing it. Girls and boys both was playing it.

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(words not clear) — various accounts of them I just wonder sometime which one to really believe. (Laughter) Because like see there's that book that it out that's — let's see, what is that called? I remember I read that book, it was quite interesting. It's a story about, well, anyway the story is around the east coast, around (not clear). But the little Indian version of the Delawares that I always enjoyed I think (not clear) — grandfather (not clear) — that they were always was along the coast you know. Close to water and the ocean or sea and so he said this one medicine man predicted there was somebody coming over from across the ocean. And they were coming on white birds and he said that they would have white skins, red hair, hair on their faces, and told this — foretold this coming of this.

And it has been assumed that it was the coming of Columbus. He said they were supposed to come over on three white winged birds and of course the white wings were just white sails of the boats and he told just how many moons it would be before they would come. And so when they finally come it was these three boats and their sails and these people with the white skin and the red hairs, some of them, and the hair on their faces. See Indians very seldom ever have a beard you know or whiskers. And of course it seemed like everybody was curious to see these people that grew hair on their faces and had red hair. So it is just kind of assumed that it was the coming of Columbus. And my grandfather used to tell — well my grandmother too, used to tell me a lot of stories, little stories, Indian stories. But now as a child I didn't have sense enough to write them down, the way, they would tell them, you know, And now I just get to thinking about them