

(Well your folks now. About that time--back about the time of statehood most Indians went to Indian medicine men rather than to white doctors didn't they?) They sure did. And in those days--about long about the time I got old enough to remember things why our Indians used to go out all by themselves and take herbs, and take care of themselves.

INDIAN DANCE GROUNDS NEAR SEMINOLE

But they don't do that anymore they just go on and mingle with everybody. Just like you know, like at those Indian ball-stick days, why they sure used to doctor themselves. They wouldn't even let the dogs in the--into the camp. They had members with long hickory switches to keep the dogs away. They wouldn't even dare let a screech owl come to the camp. Anymore, now, why it just something almost of the past.

(Do you remember where any of the Indian dance grounds were? That have gone out of business today in the Seminole Nation?)

The one that I remember real well was out northeast of Seminole. They called Mekasukey. And specially the (speaks Seminole)--Gar Creek.

(Now where was that?)

That was--

(Out toward Cromwell or--?)

Uh-huh. You remember where old Seven used to be?

(Yeah.)

South of there.

(South of there.)

South of Seven about two or three miles, I believe. Used to be in there but it's gone. And old Mekasukey has changed around, moved around. It's east of where old Roscoe Lake used to be. About two miles east of there.

(Where did it used to be?)

It was up north and east of Seminole, up in the Yarmie. Yarmie country or