

But later on, as a result as they moved further apart they would go to the other churches. But I do remember things like that. And one of the things I remember when I was small, were the Indians, on Christmas they would, down in the village, they would have in our roundhouse there they would have a, more or less, community Christmas. And it seemed like all the families in the Hominy community would go down and participate in this. And I remember one incident that we were down at the village and I think my father had boughten my brother Harry a little dog. It was in a little suitcase and we traded that little dog around after he got it. We traded around, I forgot what I got. But I wanted that dog and I traded for it and my other brother, Lloyd he traded me--well dog kind of passed around. It was just kind of little game that we had. You know we would trade for the dog course, I remember the dog. I forget, we called him Jigs. He was kind of a little oh, small little dog. He wasn't Chihuahua, it was kind of a rat terrier. And so while, seemed like to me it was always a good idea for the Indians to gather on the holidays such as that and dance and oh, playing games, just enjoy the holiday--Christmas Holidays, as it was then. And I remember course later years my father used to try to do that on his farm. And we would dance oh say ten days, ten days and ten nights. Course that was later on in the forties. And another thing about my youth that weren't--in the spring and in the summer, there weren't no swimming pools around then. And we would have to--I guess every one all over the country would go swimming. They'd go in the lakes and such as that, creeks and so that's the way we were. We had a little place called--right north of town there--right on the edge of town there was a place there we all used to go down and congregate and swim. And all the Indian lads about my age would-- I remember my youngest brother Fred he was very small at the time and seemed like they just picked up and throwed you in. You couldn't--you either swim or sink. Generally it seemed like they always swam. That's the way his--he was.