

drum--Alfred Maker. My uncle Edgar and oh at the same time they were having this uh Osage Day Celebration Dance. Each fall they would conduct this dance. Suppose the Indians wanted to--Osage wanted to observe a day to give thanks to the great spirit for all the blessings that the Indian endowed upon the Osage tribe. It was more or less a Thanksgiving as the white man would say, for all that we had received and just thankful that the tribe was getting along as well as it was at the time. And had quite a celebration in those days. I can remember up in Nicola Park we'd have horse racing and we'd kind of a fair. And people would bring their livestock and bring their corn, canned goods and all sorts of crafts. I don't remember any arts, but they brought their crafts such as that. And invited the neighboring tribes. They would have a quite a celebration up there. Course that was just one of the phases of the Osages and to observe that day the Hominy group more or less stood in the foreground in that. Course there were other groups would have a dance, kind of like an Osage day too, but seem like the Hominy groups were the ones that more or less sustained this kind of custom, to observe that day every fall. And so happened they chose the twenty-eight day of September. And they would even let the kids--Osage kids out of school in Hominy to observe that day. And another one of the events of that I remember, I think it was in 1933 that the--my mother and my sister attended the World's Fair in Chicago which was quite an event at the time. We drove up there and stayed in a small town just west of Chicago, called LaGrange. And this lady that we stayed with had rented rooms, and we had rented a room rather than go downtown Chicago. So we would catch the interurban train to the fair each day and attend the fair and other sights of Chicago. And also remember at the time, I think that the first all-star game was held there in 1933. And it was quite an event up there and course there were other Osages went up there, and took in the fair. And in later years they went other places such as they have