

They gambled quite a bit with it while they played. The men folks gambled. And in some instances there was, I would say, a thousand maybe fifteen hundred dollars was played that night. People won and some of 'em lost a little money on it, but they did gamble in this dice game.

WHITE PEOPLE INTRODUCED THE CARD GAMES AMONG THE OSAGES.

Later on they had this, well, white people brought this card game into--taught the Indians how to play that. They liked that real well. They kinda quit playing this dice and they learned to play cards. And they learn to gamble with it, too. Osages seem to enjoy gambling. They enjoyed money. I mean, they had the money to gamble and they enjoyed these card games and dice games so much. They still continue both a little. They don't gamble with money as much like they did way back there. They learned these games real well.

They learned it so well that the white people use to come in and wanted to gamble with 'em. Usually they lost. These Indians knew how to play these two games real well. So, later on up to today, the dice game isn't played as much. Oh once in a while someone might have a dice game. Card games, we all play cards. We learn that type of game, but we don't gamble like they did years ago.

THESE GET-TO-GETHERS WERE AN INFORMAL WAY OF COMMUNICATING

Most of the people, I would say all of the people, they didn't get together to win money or to--with that type of idea in mind. It was their way of communicating with each other about the daily happenings at that time. Well, such as politics that was always --our Osage people they like this politics among their tribe. And it was their way of communicating with one another. They