

days. On the beginning of the dances the head committeemen would talk to the gathering and tell them the purpose and reason they're dancing. Then your dances would begin. Generally begin in the afternoon and as I understand it, before, earlier they would dance in the morning and night. Modern day times, well, they changed it to dance in the afternoon and they danced at night. The second day they continue to do more or less the same ceremony. On the third day it was, I don't quite remember when they began this custom, but each of the committee would bring groceries and food of all sorts and then that afternoon they would have the dance then they would give to all their visiting friends who helped them participate in the dance, visiting tribes. During this time, too, they also allotted the other two drumkeepers from Grayhorse and Fairfax, they allotted them rations to help them, in that line. So, they were well supplied with groceries, meat of all kinds, so on this fourth day is the last day of the dance, the ceremony. They have this afternoon, which they sing their special songs at that time and they, these songs were made for certain individuals for certain feats that they had performed, one time or another and they regard these songs very highly. In the early days it was just, we great warriors and great hunters, great leaders, and great thinkers were the ones that were, were the only ones that were entitled to these songs, and of course in the later days they discovered now the songs are handed out more freely than they were back in the olden times, but that goes along with the modern trend. So, on this last day they sang the committee song, then they sang the drumkeeper's song, then they sang the rest of the songs that were in this Hominy vicinity. The people, the persons who lived in the Hominy vicinity whose songs had been established there, they sang them. Then they sang the, the whipman has a song, then the cooks have a song. As I recall after the cooks song was sang that more or less concludes the festivities. I think they, as I remember, here in recent times, well, I think before they had kinda of a song which they would quit, stop the dances which ended the festivities, but here in the modern day times since the nation has participated in several wars well they more or less honor the flag. They have a flag song, which concludes