

INDIAN LIFE IN EARLY DAYS

(Back when you was young, like back there, did the--the Osages, did they fish much?)

Huh?

(Did the Osages fish much?)

No.

(No fishing, huh?)

They didn't do any fishing. Young boy, you know, fish.

(I've talked to some and I've never heard 'em--I didn't think they fished too much, you know.)

No, they didn't fish.

(They liked to hunt all that, skunk.)

They liked to hunt deer, turkeys.

(There's a lot of turkey here then.)

Yeah. There's lots of 'em. They get them nighttime, though. Moonlight, get 'em at nighttime, you know.

(Well! How about that, back there, when you come home what kind of meals did you folks fix you then?)

What kind of meals?

(Yeah what did you eat for breakfast when you was home?)

Oh, we eat fried stuff, maybe sometimes soup, meat, corn.

(These Indians like you are, when they butchered, how did they keep the meat? Did they kind of dry it and like that? Cook it and dry it, how did they do?)

The white people cut beef funny, you know. They just cut 'em everyway.

But the Osage, they cut 'em just like the joints. Where the joints come just like that you know, wherever the joint is. They cut 'em just the