

right there at my home. I called them (to come). They had dinner. The old lady (Ralph's wife) brought out shawls and dishes (to give away). We had a horse-waiting (to give away). Some of her folks came there. After we got ready this man talked to me. That's the ceremony I had to go through. He talked to me. He said, "Today, the people, they're going to hear--you're one of the leaders--today. Wherever you go, the people, they're going to--" He called me 'friend.' Yet he was my uncle. He called me 'friend.' As chiefs we're all friend. "This is your home here. Your home. This is your life," he said. "Your life. You call us in together. We eat with you. Your food, we eat that. It makes us feel better. We talk to one another. In other words, it's a fellowship. We talk to one another. Don't feel bad about it. Don't feel bad that you're gonna lost that. It's going to come back to you. This one we're standing on (probably means the earth)," he said. "That fellow what I mentioned to you about--the Great Spirit--can provide again. Don't feel bad about it. Anything that we might do or hear comes from God. It might be a good blanket. Might be a good shawl, be these dishes--but don't feel bad about it. You can always get them back. There's a horse you're going to give. Some don't go along with that horse (that is, some people don't give them away). Yet, it's a horse. Don't feel bad about it." He said, "My friend, wherever you're going to live, you're going to be known. People are going to go--wherever you want to go. It's your home. You got a companion. You got children. You got grandchildren. Little ones. People are going to always come here. Don't have enemies," he said. "If you think you got enemies or anybody makes an enemy to you, or maybe say anything about you--whoa. We don't look at that. Look straight ahead," he said. "When you go on, somebody might come around. You got a home here. Somebody might even want to say something to your companion. Maybe might try to do something wrong, to your companion. Your companion is going to know today where you belong. Back over there, all the way, before this house is built our home was in a tipi. This isn't the first time I was