

Tom Poleman. I went to his place about twice. And then back east, Norman, Little Axe, they call it. I been there several times. Plenty of Shawnee there.

(Do they welcome you when you come?)

Oh, yes. I went to meetings in Pawnee, then Pawnees, one time. Frankie (Redbone) and I and Ray (Blackbear) and Harold and Raleigh (Piwo) he know them down there. About ten o'clock at night. He was in Oklahoma City looking for a job. He heard about that meeting. He knows them people at Hominy. He goes around them people. They all know him. He come in down there. About ten o'clock. He's trying to get the other boys ready, but they had a little talk, I guess. They brought him back next day, Frankie. Took him back to Saddle Mountain.

VARIATIONS IN PEYOTE MEETINGS:

(Have they got different ways over there in the East?)

No.

(Do they set up a tipi and do just like you do here?)

Yea, yea.

(Have you ever been to one of those meetings that they have in a building?)

Round house, they call it. Yea, I went in there. On e place..Osage, Osage man.

Not a man, she's a woman. But her husband, he's a Omaha. His name is Fred

Walker. They got a round house. I went up there on e time, they got a double row (I.e. of participants). So many in the front, and so many in the back.

I didn't like that. And they don't conduct the meeting like we do around here.

They got it altogether different. Nobody smoked in there, but he himself, the man who's conducting from the start. Only he makes smoke, cigarette, himself.

The rest of us, we just sit there. And he goes to make that tobacco and prays.

When he gets through we take that medicine and then the meetings starts, from

right there. Close to that door, then when he goes the other way there's a

man at gets up. One of the fireman. He goes drum for each man in the row, for

all until he come back to the door. When he gets back down there, and this next

fireman, he gets up goes back. Same way, goes plumb around.