

Yeah, they were doctors. That was the group had same kind of medicine they used.

(Were there some other people in that same group?)

Yeah. The head one was the one that had a blessing and brought this medicine doings. His name was Deafie. Yeah. And these men, they got medicine from him. About once a year they used to put up a tipi and make their medicine. I don't know how they used to make it. I used to just see that tipi.

(Where would they be--over at Deafie's place?)

Yeah, over here south of town and around there where ever they pick out a place they used to put tipis up and they--I think four nights--to sing all night. With little drum. Get their roots and everything fixed--pounded up and everything.

(What time of year would it be?)

Well, I don't know--just in the fall sometimes. I don't know nothing about this medicine doings. I used to just see them. My mother-in-law was one of them and we used to have to go camp, too. But they cook every day and they eat it there. She used to send us lunch. They always fast.

Yeah, they fast for three days and eat on the fourth day.

(What kind of doctoring did they do--was it any particular thing?)

Oh, just anything, you know, like pneumonia, fever, anybody get bit by snake. They used to doctor.

(This man that put up the sweat lodge for your boy--he was Young Bear?)

Young Bear.

(Was he one of this group of doctors?)

Yeah. He was in that group.

(Could just anybody put up a sweat lodge or did it have to be somebody--?)