

Yes. There's a lot of places I go that I use my native tongue-- the Arapaho language. And where we get in contact with other tribes, I speak in English.

(I remember you made a prayer in English last week at Watonga. What occasions today would you use the Arapaho language when you're asked to make a prayer?)

Well, when we get a good congregation of Arapahoes I can use that. But now, today, the younger element wouldn't know what I was saying.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES AT POW-WOWS

(What about like that Barefoot pow-wow--are you ever asked to say a prayer?)

Yes. Year before last the Mennonite pastor and I--I invited him to come over there to hold services Sunday morning. Because there was a number of people there, you know. We try to get to them, that wouldn't have gumption enough to come to the church. So we had open-air service for the people that can just sit around and listen from their camp. But this last year we didn't go out there.

(Why not?)

Because we wasn't invited. We didn't want to stick our necks out.

(You mean you have to be invited by the pow-wow committee or something like that?)

Yeah. We don't want to barge in there on our own free will. Because that's not our belief.

(I remember your service the year before.)

While we were at Flagstaff we were told to not barge in like the old past work was done--just go in there and tell them, "Now you got to do this and you got to do that." Now we are told not to do that. Just go in there--they have to live with them, live with them. Just see how they want what done, in their field. And how they want their services to be held. Not to hurt them like the past has done. But bring together the thoughts of different people among their movement.

(When was this Flagstaff conference?)