

(How long do they last?)

Oh, until sunrise the next day.

(Do they always last that long?)

Yes, they always last that long. Unless, the laws is comin' and spoil it for them.

(Why would the laws come?)

Well, sometimes there are people livin' close by that say they are distrubing the peace. And then drunks--they get into fights and make lots of noise.

(How old are people when they start going to Forty-Nine Dances?)

Oh, there's some young--say about 12 and 14--about the youngest that I've seen, but they didn't know what was a Forty-Nine.

(Well, can you describe any more how the dance is performed and the kind of music they sing?)

Well, the dance is that are performed, usually--they don't have no lights. And they have Forty-Nine songs that are old songs. And there are a lot of them, and there are a lot of new ones that are made. And the dance is performed sort of like a round dance, and seems like that it has more rhythm in it.

(More rhythm?)

Uh-huh, more rhythm.

(OK. You say it's sort of like a round dance, but how's it different from a round dance?)

Well, to me the, way I feel, seems like a round dance is something that everybody likes and the Forty-Nine Dance is--well, everybody likes that, but seems like it makes you think of people that you like very much.

(What way?)

Well, say maybe an older person, maybe a grandfather or grandmother that you heard sing these songs, and then, yet, maybe a boyfriend or sweetheart who is away or maybe even a husband who is gone someplace else and maybe you been