

(Mr. Haumpy, I would like for you to tell me some of those stories that you know. That's the reason I came back today. Would you mind telling me a few for a couple of hours.)

Eh....this is James Haumpy, I'm gonna tell a story about two or three, three hundred years ago. What I heard from Indians. Our Indians. Way back there. Ain't no white man around here. No doctors. And our Indians we got our own doctors.....got a power. They do anything, doctors. They use the herbs under the ground; they digging it. They make medicine. They mix it up. Oh, they make all kinds of medicine. Ah....them wild Indians. They wild in them times. I tell you where they get that, ah----be doctors. They go out, they lay on top of the mountain somewhere and for four days drank----no drank, no eat, and some wild, wild, wild animals, they give them power. They pray to everything.... everything. Wild things----tigers, lions, bears, snakes, owls. At that time they prayed to everything. And they get power from that. They get cured.

And what I heard.....them owls. They come from persons. You know this person's dying, they turn into a owl. At that time there's one big person, doctor. He'd know how far life was going to go. How many years----- Well, he told them others to put the tipi up. And they'd put the tipi, buffalo hides and all things. Well, a lotta fellows would go in there, sit around. He'd fill up his peace pipe and he'd make a little talk. That fellow he's got power to do anything like that. Well, after a while, he heard that bird flying out there on top of them poles....tipi poles. It was an owl. A owl talking. It's got some kind of voice you know. And he ask that fellow what you want and he wants to know. He wants a long life to live on this earth. And that bird told him God makes that-a-way everybody dies. Ain't nothing round of earth live life for a long time. That's what he found out you know. And this medicine man he ask this bird, "Who are you?" A person died. He got killed somewhere in the war. He told