

This witch doctor thought that my father, I don't know, was going with his wife. He got jealous. So he witched him. Shot him with whatever he witched them with in the back. So a man named Dr. Given find out that he was the man that done this dirty work to my father. I don't know--so they all got together, the other witch doctors and said, "We didn't want Old Man Hunting Horse to be in the shape that he is." So they find out that this man had witched my father. They had a peyote meeting and in the peyote meeting they told this man to take that thing out what he witched him with. So he worked on him, doctored him that night and took it out of his back, what he thought that witched. And he sucked it out with his mouth. That's all.

(Were you alive at the time?)

No. I wasn't born yet.

(I see. Well, then also, you said that there used to be a lot of that kind of thing in peyote meetings?)

Yeah, there used to be lots of that going on among, back there before they become civilized. That's all they done is to witch each other to find out which one is the best witch. And lots of that was going on among our Kiowa tribe. And they would witch a lot of nice looking young men. Sometimes they go out on the warpath and they get jealous because they (the young men) done greater things than they did so they witch the young men.

(Can you tell any particular cases which you've heard about where they would try to witch each other in the peyote meetings? You know, where they would try to find out who was the strongest?)

Just right now, I can't recollect.