

drugs (drugstore) medicine. Now, when you take these drugs or (have) any pain on your shoulder or your arm or your side--they take these drugs (salves, probably) and it numbs your body. They say, "Well, I'm healed. That medicine's good cure." But you know later on it comes back. But my observations , --like I had a shoulder bruise--I took I think four peyotes. There were a few of us boys and I told them I was going to take peyote. So I took four peyotes. And when that peyote had the effect on me--went and got on that place just lie--it almost tore my arm off, right there at the time when it should deaden it--oh, it was pain just like it was tearing my skin up. Well, I endured that, and when it was gone the pain never did come back up to today.

(Did you eat those four peyotes?)

Yeah, I ate four peyotes, yeah. Of course peyote goes in your system in a way that it effect the part where your pain is. When it gets there it's just like it's tearing you to pieces. Oh, it's awful pain for a moment--for a few minutes. When it dies off the peyote subdues that pain, and the pain's gone and never comes back.

(Have you heard of them, when they doctor with peyote--do they ever just put it right on the spot where it's hurting?)

Well, only in a toothache or gum trouble or something like that.

(Did they use peyote for a toothache?)

Oh, yeah. That's the best thing there is. Yeah. I know when I lived south of here when I was raising cattle--a mile south of the home place--I come home and my wife--I was away for a couple of days. Naturally on my tribal affairs. When I come home to where my wife stayed--we was camping out right at the foot of our home there--that house on the hill--"Well," I said, "What's the matter?" Her jaw was swollen . "I have a terrible toothache.