

Well, this old man (Tenetaide) told me hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of stories. I call him 'grandpa' all the time. He's not my real grandpa, but I call him grandpa and he calls me grandson. So he's married to my father's cousin. And he's around us lots, and he's a big war chief. Been on raids in Texas and where they practice this calling the spirits on the war path-- he was in contact with 'em many times. He said, "Sometimes they tell the truth; sometimes they dont," he said. But the Owl Prophet's supposed to understand the owl language. Well, this old man was telling the story to somebody that wrote it years ago in Fort Marion, St. Augustine, Florida, and it was recorded in the book, "Kiowa Tales," by that lady (Elsie Clews Parsons). And he said I copied that photo-static copy of what the old man said about it. Well, we was talking something about that and she got hold of that and she sent it down to me so I could get the information. I sent her lot of information about the man that told this story. And so she wanted to get the story. But, telling it the way he said it, was this Owl prophet--one of the Owl Prophets--went to Florida as a prisoner. He's the one that call this meeting. This Owl Prophet--how he became and known to our people about calling the spirits and talking with the spirits--contact with the other world, I don't know. Ever since I could remember, the Kiowas tells these stories and when anybody tells lies all the time, these Indians call that person 'a.te. He's known never to tell the truth. They call him 'a.te. That's the proper name for the spirit--spiritualist. Because, they say, a spiritist never tells the truth. More lies than truth. That's the reason they call these humans 'a.te because he's a big liar--he's just like a spiritist. Understand what I mean? Supposing, these people are telling people, and everytime what he tells is not true. Then people will know him by saying he's 'a.te. He's a big liar. Same as a spirit. Never known to tell the truth. Well, this man, the spiritualist prophet, call the people. And he said it was moonlight and tenetai call all the other prisoners together, and then he commenced to sing that medicine song--that spiritualist song. He's calling the