

farm, onion farm and so forth, tomatoes, things like that. They send to the employment office over there. They want twenty hands, maybe forty hands. Well, those Kickapoos, they go to the employment office. When they get there, this man he's already got enough money for them to get over there. These people that has the transportation to get down there, they give them same amount of money that it would cost them on the bus, each one of them. They give it to the man that maybe got a big truck to let them all ride in. And then maybe give them five dollars apiece to eat on and till they get over there. They be scattered all summer long. They be working way--they go clear into Canada sometimes, working around. And then in the Fall, say, long about December, November, somewhere in there, they all come back over there again. They have the Fall Feast over there. Get that over with and then they just sit still for two or three months. This time of year in the spring, they all give another feast. After the feast is over, that's when they come to Eagle Pass, and they leave out again. Some of those people got good cars. They wear good clothes, they got a little money. Saved up from working around. Living pretty good now.

(Are those feasts you talked about, are they religious?)

Oh yeah.

(How does that work?)

Well, I don't know. It's kind of hard to really explain about that. Now, they have a bundle. They have a bundle that every family, the head of the family, he's the one in charge of the bundle. Got it inside of his house. Of course he don't live in no box house, or anything like that. They live in these grass houses. And they have that bundle on the west side of their house, hanging there. And he's the man take care of that. In the spring when they have those feasts, well then they unwrap that. It's got all kind of herbs in there. And they pray. Got thru winter or maybe summer to go through, and then when fall come they unwrap it again, and pray again to make it through the winter. That's the way they do. And then people they sure enough Indian. They are really Indians. The reason I say that is they just have one fire. They don't use this match fire or anyhow. Don't use it. When