

peyote rituals. At the time, they were seem like always at that time there was (more or less the same group that come in and it's kind of like congregation today, they always have their appointed officials and the peyote religion, they had the first fireman and second and third fireman and had the people--direct people to sit on the cross marks and had their drum chief, and the man that conducted the service, which was old man Minkee, Mr. William Burkhart's grandfather now. Mr. Burkhart is--he used to be State Treasurer here in State of Oklahoma. And it was his grandfather that was conducting these services at the time. And it was quite a thing when they conducted. I remember they used to have a large gathering at the dinner time. And I remember they'd talk and--anyway it was just the gathering of more or less the people on the--in that particular area. would go to church and course these all other families would have churches too at the time. And they would all more or less, at that time and years were kinda more interested in the religious part of life more than the dancing part. But oh, just relating little incidents and course later on as we went and go into to town we went to--like I said, the Friends Church and later on went to the Presbyterian Church at Hominy there. And so it was in the early thirties. Course it, as you all know the depression hit the country about that time, and affected everybody. And so, as it was it affected the Osage as well and his payments which had been rather high in the twenties got lower, and lower, and lower, and that's the way it was with every one in the country, I imagine at the time. I just remember how the value of the dollar--you could take a dollar and go in a store and buy quite a number of items, but now you can only take a dollar and just barely buy one item. So at the time, I remember the Indians were quite concerned about their economy and they tried to take steps at the time to find any solution that might help the tribe as a whole. Course the whole country was doing the same thing. And at the time we would--our oil production I think hit