

It would be more in accord with the spirit of the ceremony to have it in the lodge of the candidates (younger brothers?) - the public portion - whence they are led to the council-house for the secret parts. Otherwise, how can the candidates see and enter the council-house for the first time after being initiated? And how can the whole tribe find admission to see the ceremony, when the lodge is the lodge of the AC only, and not open to others??

The element of curiosity will be a powerful lever for getting new candidates. Better not make it too hard to become eligible.

The candidates are hosts - they receive the pipes, therefore, they should have the ceremony in their tipi.

Pitch a large-double- tipi not far from the council-house - and clear off the ground therein. Prepare an altar or bed for the pipes????? Have the tipi in a spot sheltered from the rays of the afternoon sun - so that it, and the place about it - for spectators - will be comfortable in the p.m. Have nothing therein. The food for the feast (both parties) is carried to the council-house, and eaten there.

~~When~~ Put up the big council drum there (DS or AC design up)

1. Herald notifies the younger brothers to repair to the tipi of reception.
2. They go, and seat themselves, and receive instruction (such simple ones as they need - from the camp-chief.
3. After a time, the pipe-bearers come singing the song of approach. with them comes the master of ceremonies, and the elder brothers.
4. They sit at a little distance, and are invited to come in.
5. They bring in the pipes, arrange their bed, and start the ceremony.
6. After the public ceremony is over, they march to the council-house.
7. There the count (of good turns) dance is held? or before. Outside anyway.
8. They all enter and go through the secret rites. and eat ...
9. They come out, mount and parade. Carrying the pipes.
10. They return, undress, and loaf about till bedtime.
11. The pipes are hung up in the council house by the younger brother.