

a place where there was lots of rabbits. So we went out and killed them, brought them in, dressed them and put them in the icebox. Next they he thawed them out--they were frozen. He thawed them out and fried them, and Josephine said, "Boy, I can't even stand that smell of that rabbit frying." So I went in there and ate.....She belongs to that Rabbit Lodge. They can't touch rabbit.

RABBIT LODGE

(Well, do the young men who are going to be dancing in the Sun Dance--do they have to join the Rabbit Lodge?)

They don't have to. No. They don't have to. Don't have to join that Rabbit Lodge. Just certain ones goes in that Rabbit Lodge. Certain ones can go in there. They decide what to take place, and this and that. They discuss things. What is in that Rabbit Lodge can't be revealed. So I'm just telling you just the top--the surface.

(Well, that's all I'm after. But the men who are going to be in that Sun Dance, do they ask to be invited to the Rabbit Lodge? Can they join it if they want to, or do they have to be invited?)

Yeah. They have to be invited. They got to go through certain ceremonies after they get in there. And after everything's all over with in there, then they call the singers. And them women that wants to sing, they call them in there. And they sing, after everything's all over. They go through that ceremony, I think, three nights. Everything takes place at night time. They got fire in there--just like they got fire--a wood fire. They don't have no light--just a fire.

(I guess I had the wrong idea. I thought that all of the men who were going to dance went in the Rabbit Tipi.).

There's some people, they fast in that Rabbit Lodge. And that's the only ones