

allowed in there during the ceremony. After they fast in this Rabbit Lodge, then they go in the Sun Dance and fast another three days. Six days. Boy, that's a tough Indian.

(Well, between the Rabbit Lodge and the Sun Dance, are they allowed to eat anything? Like from the time they take down that Rabbit Tipi till that night when the Sun Dance begins, can they--?) /

Yeah, they eat. They drink water and they have feast--just like--you seen them grandpa cook? See, they've got grandpas in there, too, in that Rabbit Lodge. They paint them in there. They dance in there, too. Go through ceremonies in there. Whenever it's over with, their grandpa cooks for them.

They go to his camp and he's got this tent. They take some home--take it to their tent. They take enough nourishment until that Sun Dance starts.

(Well, these young men that don't go in the Rabbit Lodge, how do they spend their time these three days before the Sun Dance?)

Well, they're in the camp. They're supposed to be spending their time getting prepared.

(By getting prepared, do you mean praying or getting their materials together or what?)

Yeah. They pray and they're getting everything together the same time.

(What does the Rabbit Lodge have to do with the Sun Dance?)

It's a preparation for the Sun Dance. That Rabbit Lodge council--that's the ones that's big wheels in that Sun Dance.

(By big wheels, do you mean the Pipe Keeper are--)

All them priests.

(How many priests are there?)

I don't have no idea.

(Could there be quite a few?)