

and although we thought that the medical care that he was receiving was, you might say adequate for his recovery, but we knew that he was very very ill. And at the time he was in the hospital at Tulsa, his family and friends all were there to be with him, although they were not able to visit him, they wanted to, why they were there. As it is our custom. So it drew on through the week and it--on one of the occasions he--one of his better days, he recovered sufficiently enough to walk around his room and they were trying to strengthen him for his second operation and just before this second operation began he felt so good that he requested that he wanted to see everyone that wanted to see him and was there at that time in the waiting room. And I am told that they were allowed to visit him for just a few minutes, that he was more or less like that he wanted to see them. But following that--the second operation more complication set in with him and then again the period that he might survive--might not survive through the night. But we were still hopeful. And at that time his heart was taking a tremendous amount of work to keep him going and we were deeply concerned over him. And on Saturday evening that would be the--around the ninth, I think, let me see exactly--yes, it was the ninth, on or about 6:30 Saturday evening, he finally succumbed to his illness. And it was relayed to the public of his death. Of course, this got the tribe at the--although many did not agree with his politics, they knew that he had served his tribe well and to the best of his ability and he would be remembered long for his services to his people and his community and all that surrounded him. And we didn't know exactly what the funeral arrangements or how they were being made. But we were told on, I think it was Sunday or Monday, that he would--that he had requested that he be buried in his native peyote ways and that he be--and that his wife and his son