

several meanings, serious ones. One of them is charity, love of his fellow man. Some of us perhaps do not actually realize the meaning of the word. That is what we are trying to do today. The reason for this, I was asked two or three times today, for this occasion. It's a simple reason in that we have, been dancing for once a year. But due to the fact that members and other people come from one year to the next, 365 days, simply lose interest. And in order to create interest and some enthusiasm, you might say, in the words of white man, we are seeking to be more active and in the way and the fashion of the Indian, we have to have little more to eat in our possession so we thought that we would use that and prepare that and let the people know that we're cooking today, that we will dance this afternoon, eat this evening, and then dance tonite. This is just a simple reason, to share our food to whoever will come to our gathering here. And so now at this time I want to thank all of you for being here with us. And now I'll ask my brother Simon to return thanks for this food.

(Simon Eagle gives the blessing in Ponca)

(Leonard Maker)

(That was the opening address, the welcoming address and a few remarks by Mr. Francis Eagle and a few remarks by Mr. Sylvester Warrior, the head of this Haylonska, and the invocation was given by Mr. Simon Eagle. All these men are prominent in Ponca Tribal affairs and ceremonial affairs.)

(Unidentified voice is speaking in Ponca)

For you people who don't understand Ponca Language, I am taking these boys here around the drums they need to know for now and all the days to come. Of course it is their place now after the war dance, all the Indians that want to dance--course we reserve a place now. I want them to gather around these halls, all these days in your life time you may meet some boy, some fellow on the reservation, that's poor man, can't help himself. When you heard he was strong, try to meet your people. Your \_\_\_\_\_ orphanage. Old people don't try and keep everything to yourself. (Many sentences too blurry to understand) When you get something good on the drum pass it on to somebody who needs it who will put it to use. Because this blessing