

they got, they're allowed just two delegates from each tribe to participate in all the official meetings. Of course, we have to have a quota, so many tribes here may have 20 in each tribe. There, that is two delegates from each tribe. We have to have more than before it's recognized. We have a council that's really interested and wonderful. I seen many of those work clear up from my area here. I worked, it seemed like that was the only thing I was interested in, the church. But that was many years. Say, I start in the early '30's, up until a few years back, and I kind of sat back and take an easy chair. Well, I haven't done anything for at least say about 10 years. I'll tell you about last fall, I was elected as one of the five temporary tribal representatives. Now, uh...this Native American Church, is, ah...wonderful to me because my peoples, everyone of the members, they always, that's one thing, we show our respect. We make friends through this church with other tribes. You take the majority of the members are good people. They respect, they respect their peoples. But for us, here, we try to show our respect even though that we're Indians. Now we don't have any of those lines wrong, I hope. The people that go out there, why, like Dr. Bittle and particularly, Dr. Gilbert McAllister, he's the first fellow that came out here back in the early '30's, now he'd participate in the Native American Church. He had a notebook just like you peoples when he come into the tent. Finally he just got so interested that he put his book away. He participated several times. At that time we had quite a few old peoples. On this side here we have what we call Caddo Apaches, and Washita Apaches, west of Ft. Cobb, out here west of Apache. The Apache tribe had quite a few old timers. They brought out this story. Must have been told to old Doc. Of course Old Doc, he's been around our people, and some of them are pretty good at telling histories. Some are a little shy. They're still existing today, you know. Some places you can hardly find anyone to bring out our stories. But just like some of you peoples met some of the people and asked them questions before they bring out any histories.