

was running real fast but kind of going like this. And when he come closer to him he heard the song that he was singing. But it was still quite a ways to the camp. And this thing was singing a song. (Birdie sings a song with a slow tune.) He was running. He was singing that over and over. And one of the camps was further east, and the spirits that were over there turned when they heard this song. They run. And these others were still going back and forth, but the minute they hear that song they just run. While those others were still running back and forth, just as soon as they hear it, they'd look and they'd run. And he said when the sun came up and it was daylight, all the things were gone. And this thing, I think, told them, "Whenever you hear a noise and not see anything, sing this song." He meant the spirits that you can't see --the evil spirits that you can't see. He said, "Sing this song." And he'd pray with all he had while he was up there with his pipe. The Cheyennes put their pipe ahead in their prayers. And that's why they carry their pipe anywhere--wherever they worship--wherever they pray. And he said he looked down there and there wasn't a spirit that was following us. This person went over there. And that's all I know--whether he went on or just disappeared right there-- But he gave them that song. Just whenever you're traveling alone, he said, somewhere, whenever you're in kind of feeling creepy (?)--sing this song. So today that's what the young generation don't know.

(You got that story from your father?)

Yeah, my father. Those were taught to the young men at my father's age. They were taught these things so they're along somewheres and feel creepy, like, knowing some spirit or something is around,