

NAMES FOR PEYOTE

But they call it "peyote". And some call it "mescal" and there's another big hard name for it, but the Kiowas, we call it--some of them call it "God's flower". $\text{dauki}^{\wedge} \text{aiki}^{\wedge} \text{gau}$ -- dauki- that's "God". And $\text{-aiki}^{\wedge} \text{gau}$, that's "flower". They say He put all these flowers here on earth and he put that in there with it. Some of them pray that way. And some say seika^{\wedge} -- that's something sharp. That's "sticker" or something sharp-pointed. But that's not the right name for it. Just like "peyote"--I don't know what it means. Some call it "good medicine"-- $\text{doitaig}^{\wedge} \text{a}$

INSPIRATION FOR BEADWORK DESIGNS FROM PEYOTE

(You said the word, "visions," a minute ago. Do people ever experience visions or ever see scenes or things besides--?)

Well, just like I said, if you keep your eyes closed, you can see lot of those--different kind of designs--they just be coming in--we call them "designs". That's where some of them people get their beadwork designs at. "Peyote designs", they call them. They catch them in a vision. They sit there like that and see all them things. Or you can look in the fire and you see all that fire flame, you know--different colors. And you get the colors of that and then you can put it on your--background and all that. And when the peyote affects you and you look at it, that's it. That's why I say a lot of people today, they don't know what they do. They just pick up beads and just--

(When you bead a peyote design, like the handle of a gourd, do you ever use designs that you get from a meeting?)

Yeah. Some of them designs, yeah. Well, it's something like that fire--different colors, you know.

(This zig-zag design?)

Yeah, that's flames, you know--blue and green and red and different