

Church, how does he learn all this that you've been telling me? Are there ones that do instructing--like would you ever talk to a young man and explain the meaning of the shape of this moon or anything?) Well, just like this guy, if you get old enough to go in a meeting, I got a right to talk to him in there (referring to his young grandson, Jimmie). While he's sitting in there I could tell him this is the way to be and the songs they're singing in there--while he's in the meeting I could explain it. I could say, "You stay in here. It's a good place." And all that. "You won't get in no trouble or nothing."

(Do you ever do this when somebody who's never been to a meeting before--if they ever come to a meeting that you're conducting? Do you ever explain anything like that to that person?)

Yeah, the beginners, you can tell them what. Anytime they want to be excused they can go out; or smoke, or eat peyote. Just like you, if you go in a meeting you'll just sit there. You won't say nothing because you're afraid to. But the roadman or somebody sitting by you, they could tell you. If you want to be excused they can tell you. That's what the man up there--the second chief or the boss man--(is for). If you want to go out or want tobacco, they'll give it to you.

USE OF SAGE AND WHY IT IS USED

(What's the meaning of the sage they use in there?)

They say when you get kind of--feeling bad, or something, you get some of that sage and just smell it and rub it all over yourself. They say you'll get all right. It's in there for a good purpose. They say it's good for you when you're kind of feeling bad. You smell it and just put it all over yourself. That sage.

(What does it mean when they take that--I think it's a bunch of sage--in their hands and they put it on their elbows and shoulders and so forth?)

Well, that's before they take that medicine--that peyote. They have