

(What does it involve? Could you explain how it's done?)

Well, the way the Arapahoes get that--its a blessing--There was three of us there. Mike Brown--no, another trip. Three Arapahoes went--it was Dan Balck Horse, Striking Fast and myself. Well, it was them two guys' trip. They just picked me up here, because I had the money. They was driving a Dodge car and I said "I'll pay all the gas and meals on the way down there and back." Well, naturally, I did my part, because one of them was my cousin-in-law, and the other one was my nephew--my oldest brother's boy. He was older than I was. They're the ones that made the trip and picked me up here, and so when they come here I find out--I said, "I'll go out and change my clothes." They said, "No, you don't have to change your clothes. We can buy clothes down there cheaper." So I had my work shoes on and I had my khaki--I wanted to wear Levis, but they said, "We can buy shirts and pants while we're down there." So I left and I didn't get to go out to the house. So I left word there at the butcher shop so if my wife came in there I left her fifteen or twenty-five dollars. I'd be gone to Texas for a week. So I guess she come in the next day, Saturday, and she got that money, and so we was down there and I paid the gas and oil and expense of driving a Dodge car. I paid the meals, and they paid for their own hotel room. Well, we had one room with three beds, but it was just a dollar and a half a piece--four and a half for three of us. Anyway, I was first one when we got to the peyote fields, I was the first one to find peyote. Or the first peyote they found would be the subject of a trip, you know, a blessing. Well, they said, "it's good, uncle," my nephew said "You found this peyote. That shows us what it looks like here, because we don't know what it looks like growing in the ground." So I said, "Well, let's sit down now and I'll offer a prayer, and then you can all smoke with me and then you can search for your own peyote. You know what it grows like now, and I'll grub this out--that'll be my own special--a sideline. But you fellows have made this trip, you can search your own." So I stepped three or four steps to the east, and there was a whole cluster of peyote--just a round patch. "Come here," I says. "Look here." Says, he says, "There's lots of them." He said, "But let us find ours first, and then we'll come back and grub this out." I said, "All right." So finally they found one. I don't know which one of them found it--it was either Striking First or Black Horse. Anyhow