

language. All at once you see them laugh, or get serious about something that's been said. All those things takes place in there. It's a wonderful place.

(Do they ever pray to the peyote?)

Well, I heard they used to--the old-time. But not since my time.

(Could you explain any more about how they used to pray to it?)

Well, they used to pray material possessions. Good health, naturally, and good living. Material things like, home, property ownership, horses, comfortable living--plenty to eat, comfortable living. All those things. I heard they used to pray that way. But that was before my time. Heal the sick, comfort those that have heavy-hearts and sorrow. In other words, they say, "Wipe the tears off our faces--our cheeks." Those things I heard used to be the main thought of the peyote attendance and the peyote prayer.

(Today, in your time, what would you say would be the main thought in the prayers?)

Well, we trust the Almighty--the Supreme Power--to guide us and to provide for us and to heal us and to comfort our sadness and sorrow. And to take care of the poor and the aged, the orphan kids, and the sick. In the group interests of those that know that those things happen, they go voluntarily and help them bring wood, bring groceries, furnish doctors for them, and medicine. All those things were usually sort of common interest for the needy.

(When they are praying in the peyote ceremony today, do they ever pray to the peyote itself?)

No. No. It's always to the Supreme Being. We have no name for