

Lady in background: ((words are not clear)) One of 'em lives here in town, Zeke Lamb.

(Zeke?) ((words are not clear in background))

INDIAN MEDICINE - DOCTORING IS AGAINST GOD'S LAWS

Mr. Byrd: I study Indian medicine - according to Bible it's sin. It's written in Cherokee and in English both. So I used to believe that one. Well, I still believe in use of herbs and things like that. But them what the Indians try to doctor, I don't know, never used to anybody like that. My brother-in-law and then my Granddaddy try to teach me to read in Cherokee so that I could read it. And I wasn't interested in it so I didn't pay attention then. Then when I start reading in Cherokee - - (Stoke Smith?)

Yeah. He's retired now, but he's doing it now. I don't have anything to do with that now. I don't have anything to do with that anymore. And I tell you what they do, what they did when I - at that time I associate with him, they take up a collection and that money was to buy food to eat when they have celebrations. And then with that, they take up tobacco so that they can use it for their social goings-on. I didn't use no tobacco. But there was an old man, a good friend of mine, he'd cut off a piece and told me, "That's a good cotton boll" and to give whatever I wanted to donate. My stepdad and Granddad was members in that so I had to get in that when I growed up. So I learned they were not true know I'm.

BELIEVES IN GOD AND THE BIBLE

They claim to be christian - - but they don't read the Bible. And the Bible says you got to have an honest mind.

Mrs. Byrd: That woman, her husband was a real member in that thing and I went to it one time, and I still remember it today, and they lived down there. And my cousins belonged to that and they left early that morning