

the way I understand those things. I know when my two son-in-laws and my three nephews--two were my brother's boys and one my sister's boy--were going to the army for the Second World War, I vowed--My family, I vowed, would have a meeting for them to come to the meeting. And I killed a beef. My wife and them bought groceries, made pies, and cakes and everything. We had a good vegetable garden. We had lot of potatoes, tomatoes, and corn. So we had a meeting, and my oldest, my son-in-law's uncle--well, he called me "grandpa"-- I think he was grandpa's brother--he's from Clinton. In December he came down to run that meeting. Next day there was a big crowd there. We was glad that they all come there. All we had to do was just pay his expenses back home. And we--my two son-in-laws and my three nephews was in there. We prayed that they go out of my gate from that tipi under protection and watchfulness and guidance of Almighty God. And that we would follow them with our prayers, wherever they went. And they'd all come back now and I would try to put on another meeting. When they come back there'd by another meeting put up for them for their return. Which happened. They did come back--all five of them came back. I put up another meeting and them was all in there. And we thanked the Holy One for their return. For good health and happiness in the family again. It was carried out just the way we hoped and prayed for. It's held just two and a half miles south. And they are all living now, today.

(Well, are certain people thought to run better meetings, or be more powerful or something like that than others?)

It's hardly ever considered that way. We hardly ever considered anything spiritual above one or the other. No, we don't differentiate anything.

(Like, would it make any difference to you--if you were going to have a meeting for a loved one--would it make any difference if you invited a young man that is just learning to conduct or if you invited an older fellow--?)

No, we hardly ever resort to that--that's inexperienced.