

the warpath with Luther's brother--Luther's Samaunt's brother.

(What was his name?)

His name was--well, he had three brother's and I don't know which of the brothers it was, but it was one of the warriors. I don't know which one it is--he had three brothers. 'Inya (?) and setmunte but one of 'em belong to one of those orders of the--most of 'em call 'em Dog Soldiers, but they are ~~clans~~, or what we call sacred orders. He says, "Often we set up here. Some nights we hear hoot owls. Hoot owls hooting. And after he gets through hooting, he give a shout and sometimes he talks." He said, "He visit us pretty often, and, he says, 'you might come out and visit us while you're here', he says. 'This is your brother's spirit,' he said. I understood he belonged to this secret society, and many times he sing that secret society's song. Just as if he was living--you could hear every word of it. That's while we was sitting out there, talking about it like that, and it was in the timber, at the edge of a timber grove--Large timbers, post oak timber. And while we was sitting there, he said, we heard a noise way south in the air--way in the air. 'Listen, listen!' And they said, 'We listened, and it was that secret order's song.' He says, "I recognized my brother's voice. And often, when he was living, he would say that. 'If I ever die, --I'll never die,' he said, 'I'll be tooting these words, when I die. I be hooting and tooting.' And that's the song he was singing."

(Now was this Luther's brother that was saying that?)

Luther Samaunt's brother, yeah. He seen his ppirit. But Aunkoy was telling this Luther Samaunt's brother story, and Luther Samaunt tell this story--both of 'em. Now, this is what the words in the song: I just give you a brief of it--I can't sing it very good, but just so you get a idea of how it goes: He said, "We listen quietly, and while we listen, and the voice came over the treetops, coming right over us," he said. (Guy sings the song) That was the song. And after the song, he hooted, he said (Guy imitates hoot of an owl). It was a owl, and he went by. (That's real interesting.)

And he says, "I knew it was my brother's voice because he often sang this song."