

and just went back over there. They was all lined up and he got in the line, one of the last and after all of 'em give a gift, they call him up and he put his hand on it and he said, 'I put my hand on him and said, now mister owl, I ain't got nothing very good to give you, but I just have to give you the best I got. I brought you something. I'm not gonna let you go without giving you a present. I got something for you. I'll give you what I got. I brought this for you.' And he took this club out and he hit him right on top of the head. Poor Mr. Owl--he passed out. He said the Prophet, he just had him in his hand and didn't know what to do. You could hear that--(claps his hands)--look like he hit the bark or something hard--like it hit or something hard--like it hit the bone. Then he walked off. Everybody was so scared. They thought they would have a bad medicine--something evil gonna happen to the whole party. They thought that was bad omen to do that. They were sure something bad gonna happen to our war party. Well, the Indians believe that owls, when they get mad at you will twist your face up.

OWL SICKNESS:

They crush your mouth over to one side, and eyes, and just draw it up--twist it. You can't drink water, you can't talk. Well, my grandpa practiced doctoring that kind of medicine--owl medicine, too. But I got it that same shape, but say it's a owl that makes you twist up--twist you up that way. So everone commenced to prophecy bad for this man that killed the owl. Rumors (?) got up there, 'I want you to twist this man up and twist his face so bad that he'll never get well.' That's what they pray for. But he said he never--he wasn't afraid, and he walk off. And all through that trip he said he didn't get no--nothing evil towards him. He said, 'Gonna believe in it, and the owl didn't do nothing. He ain't got no power. He didn't hurt me.'

HAWBAWT SHOOTS AT A GHOST:

Walk away up on top of a mountain somewhere in Mexico--Old Mexico somewhere. Couple young boys, they sent 'em with water bags down there to fill 'em up, about so many feet below to get water. In the moon light they went down there and they