

they smoking they use matches but what I mean, you know, especially when they have those feasts, they have their own fire. Now you take one family, if his fire go out well they got a special place over there and one man take care of that all year round.

He never let that fire go out. He always got a log there burning. Keep it going.

(And that's the fire that the other people get their fire from?)

If their fire goes out, yeah. Of course they don't hardly ever let it go out.

They keep it.

(Does each family have one of the bundles?)

Yes. Every house that man that has family has them--bundle. It's just like that story I was telling you, over there, about the stinking bag, something like that.

And they don't sell them.

(I've heard something like the same thing. The Apaches have something like that.)

It's pretty hard to get anybody to explain that to you. You can't hardly get any of them to--they don't like to talk about it.

(Well, that's a real sacred thing to them isn't it?)

It is.

(Does the man who own a bundle have any special rules to honor?)

Oh yeah.

(How does that work?)

Just like you take a man that lives there, he's supposed to keep his yard clean.

And if he got any young girls there and the girls or ladies has their periods, they can't go in that house. They pretty particular about that. I don't know why, it's something I can't explain but--why they so particular about it.

(What about babies. Can they be around it?)

No, they don't care for that. They can just go in. But when the kids gets to about, you might say, about ten year old boys, them's the ones, they'll take them and they'll take coals, just fire coals, put it on his face, and they'll send him out without eating breakfast. He be all day won't have nothing to eat. Maybe he go one day to start with without anything to eat. The older he gets, the more day she goes. Some of them by the time they get grown up to be a man will go ten