

T-344-1 (First of Two Interviews)
LEONARD MAKER, OSAGE
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GENERAL SUBJECT: OSAGE PEYOTE RITUAL

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

SWEATBATH IN CONNECTION WITH PEYOTE RITUAL
DUTIES OF FIREMAN
LOCATION OF PEYOTE MEETINGS
MORE ON FIREMAN'S DUTIES: HIS EQUIPMENT,
PEYOTE DRUM
DUTIES OF FIREMAN'S WIFE: POUNDING OF PEYOTE AND
PRAYING
MEAL SERVED BEFORE THE MEETING
STRUCTURE OF THE MEETING
BREAKFAST SERVED AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Leonard Maker was born in 1918 near Hominy, Oklahoma and has lived in this area all of his life. Leonard has been associated with the peyote religion all of his life. His father, Ross Maker and his wife's father Robert Morrell were both strong peyote men and had become good friends through their interests in peyote religion. Leonard has had two years of college at New Mexico University. He has done some ranching on his own land and his wife's land but does not work now. He lived in Moore, Oklahoma for a short period of time so as to be near his son who was attending Oklahoma University, but moved back to Hominy, where he lives at this time.

Note: The other interview on this tape is: Lambert Brown, Ponca

Remarks on interview: This tape was made in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nap. Mr. Nap and interviewer Katherine Maker are sisters.