

on down. But I feel pretty good, outside of that. There are a lot of things that a lot of people like to do, and that's my way of explaining my life. I like to sing. I always will till the day the Lord says, "come on home". Because I believe it that-a-way. I go to Church. I belong to the Native American Church, that's an Indian Church. I would say it this way, and beyond that, our Native American Church was here before Columbus was here. We knew about Christ and the Maker, the Indians did, and we have always talked about that. So therefore you can take in our Ponca language-- as far as I know in any Indian language--you cannot take the Lord's name in vain. I don't care how you put it, you can't find that. So I believe in my Native American Church, because I happen to be one fortunate man as being Ordained Minister of that Church. So therefore I'm gonna turn this back over to Mr. Maker.

#### MEANING OF SINGING TO SINGERS AND LISTENERS

(Now Mr. Brown. I understand and I've heard from several people that, seem like, the way to explain it, they feel something in this music and this drum. I mean, I've heard people come to dance and not feeling too well and they say that the music does something to them--this drum. And you being around this drum and composing music, I'd like to have your version of just what occurs out there and do you enjoy yourself out there and do every singers get the same enjoyment as you?)

Mr. Maker, let me bring this point out. I'd say it this way. Just like I related back here, just a few feet back, about an old lady being sick and coming up and shaking hands with me. Now I have remarked--it's been said--among my people, they didn't feel good. That's the reason why they come to the dance. They sit around and our singers will start some songs--starting songs--and kinda enthuse the people and they get up and dance and they comment--they say, "They sure sing some good songs. I even forget about my sickness. And so it done me good to come to the dance". And now that's just the way some of our singers feel--now that's the way I feel. If I