

(Do they still have that today?)

Yes, they still have it.

(Is there a certain time of year when they have it?)

No. They can't have it just when they wanted to have it. This one man's got to vow that.

(But if he wanted to and it was all right with the Arrow Keeper, could it be in the spring or summer or any time?)

Well, his clan that he's a member of (military society) is the ones that set the date.

(Well, are these clans still going on today?)

My husband's still the head of it--the Bowstring Clan. All these clans is still going on.

(What do these clans do today?)

Nothing. They're just dying away, too, like anything else.

(I'd like to talk to you next time about these clans.)

I just know about this one clan (Bowstring). But, of course, I've heard a little about these other clans, but this one clan, my father was the head of it. And that's why I know all about this Bowstring Clan.

#### ARROW KEEPER: HIS QUALITIES AND DUTIES

(Can you tell me who has the Sacred Arrows today?)

Yes, a northern Cheyenne man. This James Medicine Elk, from Montana. He's married here in Oklahoma.

(Did the northern Cheyennes always have these--?)

No. They always have them here in Oklahoma. But this man happened to come here. None of our Cheyenne men of his age--they don't want to keep them. They don't want to have nothing to do about them, or with them. And those northern Cheyenne people are great believers