

(What significance do those have?)

Well, that's about the highest decoration of a man's costume as a chief. The second highest is an eagle feather put through from the right side of his head, through his scalplock--cross (ways) (horizontal). Did I show you that picture of the chiefs --delegation to Washington?

MORE ON STORY CONTESTS AND EXAMPLE OF A CONTROVERSIAL WAR STORY

(Now if these chiefs were getting together to tell stories--what kind of stories would they be telling--you were saying they'd really get serious about it--?)

Well, some of those stories, maybe--they may not have been previously planned. But maybe a brother-in-law might have made a remark to his brother-in-law across there in the tipi. Well, his brother-in-law naturally had that attitude toward one another --they always argue who was the bravest, who was the good warrior. And maybe this brother-in-law, in answer to his remarks, would say, "Well, what makes you think you're a man? Tell me a story." Well, that man would say, "All right, I'm going to tell you a story about the Utes." Maybe he was there. And then he starts a story. And then his brother-in-law keeps asking all them questions. And that would lead up to a story--their thoughts of how they were better than the other fellow. But of course when they got through they had to smoke a pipe. If the story's authentic. I heard one story that was not authentic. I was writing a story about something on the Arapahoes back in 1927 or 1928. I invited three or four fellows out to my house in town. They used to travel in wagons. I bought a lot of meat and of course we had killed a beef two or three days before that. So I