

way of living during the camp. All those things.

(Do the chiefs--is there anything in the line of their duties as chiefs that they get any money for, or reimbursement for any kind of payment?)

No, no. Everything's free by the chiefs. And actually, when the performance is going on at these powOwows, they have a special song for all the tribal chiefs of the Arapahoes. Well, we stand there and they all get up. Then, for a certain purpose--like we want to give for--we give our money. And it goes to that party for whose benefit that song was made. Maybe for a certain reason. And maybe the next song will be sung for Native American Churchmembers. All Native American Church members. One of their brother members is sick and in need of help--they do the same thing. Or maybe a boy is going back to the army. His time is up--his furlough is up--even though he have return expense by airplane or something like that, they'd always provide for his personal expense, you know. Incidentals. They do the same thing--sing the song and then they all get up--men and women--even white people gets in there and donate money.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR CHIEFS AND PUBLIC CEREMONY FOR NEWLY ELECTED CHIEF:

(When the older chiefs, or the council of chiefs would be electing some new young men to become chiefs--would they ever consider whether or not these candidates came from a family with much land or much money? Or did it make any difference?)

No, it don't make no difference. See, like now--they say the Arapahoes need to elect two more chiefs, or three more chiefs, to represent their respective districts.

All right. All the chiefs of the Arapahoes have the right to, say, consider this boy or that boy, or that one--so then you look at their background. How they live and how they're getting along--what their ways are. Then when the time comes to elect chiefs, the chiefs get together. They suggest names--whom they may have tentatively nominated. Then some question might come up--"What about him? He drinks all the time. He's not living with his wife. He's not divorced but he's married another woman." All right, those things are things are objectionable to their admission as chiefs. That's all they thrash out. And all those that are clear--in good standing--then they report, like to me. Say, "This afternoon we're going