

"always see that those kids are properly provided for, or see that that blind man and his family are cared for properly in the way of food and shelter and a place to stay. If you see a man coming to you with torn moccasins, and you have just put on new pair--call him and tell him to come to you. Tell him to take them moccasins off. Take yours off and give them to him. You go home barefoot and get you another pair. If he's got torn shirt, if he's got sore hand--see that he's properly cared for. If a fellow chief's sick, or if your fellow chief tells you that your friend's sick--go see him yourself. See if he needs wood. See if he needs groceries. See if he needs medical care. See if he's properly attended to." All those things. That's the duty I give them. "Everyday in your life. And if there are some places where you need help from your fellow chiefs, go and tell them, if you have to go ten miles--go to the chiefs. Bring them over and tell them our friend is sick, or his wife is sick." Those are the duties of a chief. That's the way I tell them. "I wish you the best of luck." And when I get through I go and shake hands with them. The other chiefs all come up and shake hands with him. That's the old rule. And that they carry that out every day of their lives.

REFUSING TO BE CHIEF:

(Have you ever heard of anybody that did not want to be a chief? Maybe they had been elected but they didn't care to serve?)

Well, there was been guys that I have seen that wouldn't get up. They were just sullen. Say, "No, I don't going to get up. I don't have nothing--" Some of them might have heard that they were designated to be elected chief--they stay away! They won't come to the--

GIVING NEW NAME TO NEW CHIEF:

(I was going to ask you about that, too--)

Yeah, they won't come near. I've seen that happen. And some of them, they change thier name. When they elect them chiefs, the ceremonial men are already told to get his pipe ready--a man is elected chief and his name's going to be changed by the wishes of these other chiefs, or some member of the chiefs that is related to