

to make rain, to make winds blow, and to make pleasant weather. He can even cause a cyclone so that trees will become all twisted. He usually exercises this power when he is alone, but in an emergency, he may do so in a crowd. If he wants to produce only a little rain, he shakes the sacred bundle gently on his arm, just as gently blows medicine on it, and then sprinkles a little water upon it. If he wants the wind to blow hard and wants to produce much rain, he hits the ground with it and pours much water upon it. I saw him use his wotawe in the Black Hills last fall where there was a forest fire as he told you. It rained and the fire subsided.)

Yes, I have used my wotawe with good effect; the elk gave me my power in that vision. Not only can I control the four winds with it; I also carried it with me in four battles, and wasn't hurt in any of them. Yes, my wotawe has always helped me!

Among the Sioux, in all bands, three classes of people are recognized and intermarriage between them doesn't very easily occur. Members of the lower class of people marry indiscriminately; the higher class must marry outside the relationship but within its own class. All the members of our band, the Hunkpapa, were considered higher class by the Sioux Indians. The higher class had not only chief's blood in their veins, but they were reared like their fathers and grandparents. They were trained to live up to the teachings of their elders. If anyone in this group in the early day did bad deeds, he had to leave the group. He wasn't wanted around any more; small children were not to learn bad