

with dirt and he picks that child up. The woman, she sees him. A mother thinks a whole lot of her child. A grandfather thinks a whole lot of his grandchildren. Their actions, they were good. That time the older people, they pick up that child. They talk to him. Maybe he's crying but he forgot the handkerchief and he wiped his tears. Talk to him. The actions I seen from them older people." That's the teachings they going by. Some of them say, "Well, I'm taking my yoke off. Taking my yoke off and going to put it on somebody else." (meaning they resign from chiefship) They don't understand that, these young ones. The teachings of the ones I mentioned. Their teachings, I listened to them. Elliot Flying Coyote got this title. Yet he gave it to Harvey West, because he known Harvey --what kind of a man he's going to be. He pick out the right man. Elliot Flying Coyote. And those things I watched, I still remember. I'm not doing nothing wrong. It's the life with the people--what they want. If it lives on ahead (the tradition), they might know them things and we might continue to live. They might have better understanding with each other as leaders.

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They might have better understanding, and recognize each other. Because that man has got a (good) character. That's the teaching and that's the reason we met over there. Whatever you think, later on I'll talk to Harvey and maybe Ralph West. You make it whatever you can decide. (referring to Mr. Timmons' special) And let me know when. We need a good thing because you're going to talk about it. You're not going to check on the people. You must work together. Wherever the leadership is, you must understand that. They got lots of leaders. Within the Bureau (of Indian Affairs) we got leaders in there. We must work with them. I'm not taking on the Bureau, myself. What I'm telling you, I want you to be able to understand. We (the chiefs) must be consulted before anything. Old people used to be consulted before they can do anything. That's been kind of getting away from us. We want to work with them. Want