Hand Game Tournament Hub City Pow-wow T-521 Cheyenne Field Notes June 21, 1969

Quite a few Kiowas, Kiowa-Apaches, and Comanches came up to Clinton this morning for the hand game tournament. Included were Bruce and Gregory Haumpy and their wives, Ace and Ina Chalepah, Nig and Maud Mikoby, Bill Koomsa and his bunch, Julia Daingau and Collier Oybi, the Bohays, Steve and May, and others. The hand game tournament this morning lasted hours. There were five teams participating, including the Boone Raiders (led by Gregory Haumpy), the Carnegie Eagles (Bill Koomsa's bunch), the Carnegie Roadrunners (Bruce Haumpy's bunch), the Clinton Challengers (Roger Reynolds), and an Oklahoma City Club (possibly Vince Bointy's bunch). Roger Reynolds, a Cheyenne, is in charge of the hand game contest. He said this is the first year they've had a hand game tournament at the Hub City Pow-Wow. He said he organized the Clinton hand game team--the Challengers--about a year ago. He has four assistants with his team--Chicken, Moe, Winston, and Charlie Curtis. They have tried to play once or twice a week this year.

The tournament was played according to Cheyenne rules which somehow make the games shorter than playing by the southern rules. The Oklahoma City club was first, the Carnegie Eagles, under Koomsa, were second, and the Boone Raiders under Greg Haumpy were third.