

is not found, the four used to play again. It took a long time.

(Don't they have some kind of rules now where they can make the games a lot shorter--a different way of counting?)

No. They don't have no rules. Because whoever is tired playing in there, they can get up and go home. They don't have to wait until the game is over.

(I think I saw a tournament one time where there was a rule that once a stick was won, it couldn't be won back--)

It must be different tribe. And these Cheyennes--the other night we went to a hand game. And Arapahoes, before they play, they always put their bean down there and touch the drum and then pick it up and play. But these Cheyennes--one Arapaho man went and put it down--he was going do that way, and they come and took it and they said we lost the game. When they drop them, they lost the game. That's what they said. And I thought it was funny.

(Why do you think they put it down on the ground for?)

Oh, they always bless it. They just put it down there and before they pick it up; and then they start playing. That's the way it is.

(Do they say anything?)

No.

(Could you tell me more about this when they start playing and talk about they're going to make some medicine and so forth?)

Oh, they always just, you know--now if your sister-in-law was guessing, you'd say, "I made medicine! I made medicine!" That's the way. That's all. They'd don't do nothing. They always just tease one another and say that that they're going to make medicine to hide that bean.

(Are some people pretty good guessers?)

Yes, there's a lot of them that gusses's good. I know when I guess, I guess pretty good. Sometimes I get both of them right on the first shot. I used to guess a lot.