

help one another, back and forth. That's way there won't be no hardship on none of the clan members, or one of the tribesmen. Each clan was designated to look after any certain problem that the tribe needed. But the chiefs were overseers--they were leaders of the whole band. So therefore they look up to the chiefs to be--you might as well say, presidents.

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(Now the chiefs would designate a clan to take care of a certain job--would the clan have a leader or headman?)

Oh, yeah. Just like I said, "brother-in-clan." Just like I say, "That man's my brother." He was designated to be the leader of that clan. Just the older clan was their brother. And this younger clan, if they done anything foolish toward their older clan, they had to take it.

(Who--the older clan?)

Yeah.

(Could you give me an example of that?)

Well, in case of pulling a trick of some kind towards the older clan, or vice versa, each clan had to take it.

(What kind of a trick would they pull?)

Just any kind of a trick (laughing) upon one another! There's several tricks been pulled on the older clans. Just like one man from Geary--there was two old ladies sitting in the tent. They had a watermelon laying between where they was sitting. Their "brother-in-clan"--the younger clan--came along with a knife and cut that melon in two for them. He walks on. See, they had to stand that! (Laughs) They pull all kinds of tricks toward one another.

(Would the older clan members ever pull tricks on the younger clan?)

Oh yes. That's just to teach them how to withstand the things they would have to face. In years to come. Each clan had their way of teaching their younger clan to go through certain things in order to fit in that next clan they had stepped forward to.

(You were talking about they had their way of teaching--would this teaching just be only at the certain time they were having