

designate a certain clan to take care of that problem. Now if anyone needed help, they'd go to a certain clan, and they, in turn, would take care of that chore in order to help that person.

(Let's say, if there's several clans, these younger men, and those a little older and so forth--how would they decide which clan ought to be the one to take care of a certain problem?)

They just designate them. They ask them.

(It doesn't make any difference which one it was?)

No. They just tell them, "We want you to do this--get your clan together and see that it's carried on." Just like the chiefs, if people go tell them, "We need your organization to help us out." They call one another together in order to see how they was going to carry that same privilege. That's the way it works out.

SELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF CHIEFS

(Do the chiefs ever get together today like that?)

They don't hardly get together now. Just about once a year. Unless some important problem comes up--they send out invitations to gather at a certain place for them to decide and carry on that certain problem. And here a while back they Council Chairman asked us to get together at Geary to thrash out certain problems. Which we did, but I'm still waiting for them to call me to do my part, but I haven't received no word yet. So I don't know what they're going to do about that.

(Among the chiefs, back in older days, would there be any particular chief that was maybe ahead of the rest or had more authority or were they equal?)

All equal. But there was one man here, Little Raven--the younger Little Raven that passed away here lately in Canton--he wanted to appoint himself to be head chief among all the Arapahoes. But they wouldn't stand for it.

(Did the Cheyennes have a head chief?)

No.

(How would these Arapaho chiefs--how did a man get to be a chief?)

They were appointed. Picked out. They were picked out by the chiefs. Certain two chiefs were designated to be the ones to