

say that you know a whole lot about it. Because you're not supposed to know anything about it." So, that's as far as I got.

MODERN ARAPAHO STARHAWK SOCIETY, AND ARAPAHO TERMS FOR STARHAWK

(You know this Starhawk group, I've heard some people just talk about it as the Star Clan. And sometimes they go on and use the term, "Starhawk." I wondered if you had anything to say about that?)

Well, as far as I know, there never was any such thing as "Starhawk." There never was. Now, where--I'm going to tell you for a fact, now--where I got this, now, I don't care if you tell it, but I've told it myself. And that's Jesse Rowledge. He put the name of "hawk" in this Star Clan, because when you talk Indian, the pronunciation of these "star clan"--at the end of that word, it makes it sound like a bird. (In other words, there is a phonetic resemblance between the plural of "star" and another term designating some kind of bird.--jj) So when someone asks him, "What's the right pronunciation of that "star clan"? Well, he'll turn around and translate it into Arapaho. Well, at the end of that word, it almost has the sound of a hawk. A bird. In other words, it has the sound of a bird. In order to strengthen that word to where it will have more meaning--more respect--well, he put the "hawk" in there. Because our people, our Indians, have a respect of a bird as a hawk. So he applied that "hawk" into this Star Clan. But this Star, it's always been known as "Star Clan." That's all.

(How would you just say that?)

"star hawk"--I mean, "star clan"-- h w e w' w huuhw' See, huuhw', that means a bird of some kind. h w e w' w huuhw' That -huuhw', that's the pronunciation of some kind of a bird. And, all right, to strengthen that out--I've heard him and I've asked him--and I asked him who pronounced that--who give the pronunciation of that "star hawk". He said, "I did." I said, "There never was no such a thing as that. But," I said, "As far as I know--you're older than me--but, some of these things that you pronounce, you add a little bit more to that," I said. Now