

No, they was the only headmen.

(Well, then the other chiefs are different. The main chiefs are they part of any clan too?)

They use to be in a clan when they were young. And then in ten years maybe--they were member in that clan for 10 years--and when ten years was up, it was time for these chiefs to retire and they moved these sub-chiefs up to the--they were appointed--made into chiefs. That's how everything run--every ten years. Just like what I told you about these girls. If they stayed single in them 10 years, as long as they were single, they were members. The minute they get married, they leave their membership there. They're no more sisters. That's the way it was.

ANNUAL DANCE OF BOWSTRING CLAN:

(Another thing I was sort of wondering about, if you could explain a little more-- I think you said they use to have this dance once a year?)

Yes, this wolf told them to have it once a year. That it would strengthen their limbs. It would give them strength. And they would be healthy and strong. That's what this wolf blessed them with. With this, the orders that he gave them.

RENEWAL OF SACRED ARROWS:

(Well, what I was wondering, would this dance be at a time when the whole Cheyenne tribe was camped together?)

No. They use to--every year they use to have--the way they knew it back there, the time that those arrows had to be renewed. Because maybe, in the this winter if we're having hard times. There's that, lot of sickness. Lot of food shortage. Or some kind of a trouble like that. Well, this boy, like I say, he go way out there and be praying for his people. And then his only way again, how they would be blessed is by making a vow-arrow worship vow--that he would be the one that would cause these arrows to be renewed. It was through this one man. And he maybe in his prayer he'd say, "I want to renew the arrows, through that, we are having a lot of sickness among these little children, and we love these children." He said, "We want them to get well and we want food." And then he come out and tell the people that he made that vow, and they say, "Sure enough," he said, "Everything use to be different." He said, "Maybe this sickness left them. Maybe a Buffalo