

there to her friends. And when we got over there they said, "We're just getting ready to go in where they're going to have this Horse Tail supper--or Horse Tail Dance. So we followed them. When they went in there, we went in, too, not knowing that our Cheyenne Arrows were to be shown. See, we're not supposed to see them. Her and I, we're not supposed to look at them. When we got in there, people began to come in. They placed us on one side--over there on the south side. And you know when you go in a strange place you just want to see everything. So I looked all around and I happened to look--there were four poles in the center of this hogan (Pawnee earth lodge, probably). And on every pole over there there was something tied to it. And I kept looking at one--it looked like an arrow. And I looked all around and there was something tied to these. I think I saw about two arrows and there must have been some more arrows on the other side. And way after that I learned --I just now got thinking--that must be the Cheyenne Arrows. They use them for their ceremonial doings. And Cheyennes are not supposed to see them--ever see them--women.

RULES CONNECTED WITH ARROWS

(Is there some reason why women aren't supposed to look at them?)

Well, they get blind. They were witched by some man that maybe brought them to them. He said, "Women have nothing to do with these. Women should never handle them or come near them, like that." Although a woman packs them on her back, not seeing what

she's packing. That's the only way they used to travel back there.

They didn't dare to put them on horseback and lope with those things

--they were too sacred. Just the Arrow Keeper and his wife would

walk. They walked slowly with them. She'd pack them on her back.