

sit in. But a smart fellow that knows them, he's going to be the one to do all the talking.

(Interruption)

(One more question, going back to the way the Sacred Arrows are passed down--I think you said that not just anybody can keep them. Would it have to be a man's son or some relative? Like if this James Medicine Elk should die, would it have to be one of his relatives?)

No. If he was no good he could never keep them. It would have to be somebody else that you know all your life--from little boy on up to the age of forty--and you know that he was good all the way. That's the one (to elect).

(Is there any rule about how old a man they would pick?)

No. Just be a matured man. But not a certain age.

(Does he have to belong to the Bowstring--or some clan?)

No.

(Or, these Arrow People?)

No. We said that awhile ago. He don't have to be. (Pause, and then adds) You mean to keep them? Oh, yes. He has to be a member of that aristocratic Cheyenne clan.

(How did you say their name again--in Cheyenne?)

ma.hitaeniyo. That man has to be a mahitan; see, mahitani is singular -- mahitan; ma.hitaeniyo is plural.

(Is James Medicine Elk a member of that?)

I don't think he's a member of anything. He might be, up there. Their clans have different names than ours, although they are the same things. But they just have different names.

(Well, if an Arrow Keeper died and he had a son that was good and