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Please Reply to Chappell House, 1300 Logan Street Denver 3, Colorado December 11, 1947

Professor Walter S. Campbell University of Oklahoma Norman, Oklahoma

Dear Professor Campbell:

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Inclosed are two photographs of four-horns war bonnet in our possession. The only traces of white influence are found in the narrow bits of red trade cloth on two of the hanging plumes at the temples; and a few beads, some 18th century, on the small buffalo rock near the bottom of the trail in photo A.

On a recent trip through the East I examined over two hundred bonnets, all I could find in the great collections, and nothing resembling our bonnet in any way was noted.

I have recently seen photos of a painted robe collected in Sonora in 1742. (314) This shows a raid by mounted horsemen on what appears to be a Plains Apache settlement. One of the raiders is wearing a war bonnet. This is by fifty years the oldest picture of a bonnet that I have found.

Best regards

F.H. Douglas

Curator of Native Art

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