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MYRTLE LINCOLN, ARAPAHO

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GENERAL SUBJECT: ARAPAHO SUN DANCE

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

LAST SUN DANCES HELD BY OKLAHOMA ARAPAHOS: LEADERS  
SACRED PIPE AND MEDICINE WHEEL  
COMMENTS ON LAST TWO OKLAHOMA ARAPAHO SUN DANCES  
COSTUMES OF DANCERS IN SUN DANCE  
SUN DANCE PARAPHERNALIA  
OPPOSITION TO SUN DANCE  
REASON FOR PLEDGING TO JOIN SUN DANCE  
GIVING AWAY AT SUN DANCE  
WOMEN FASTING DURING SUN DANCE  
- SACRED PIPE AT WYOMING ARAPAHO SUN DANCE  
MEN WHO PAINT THE DANCERS  
DRINK MADE FROM CHOKE CHERRIES  
THE RABBIT LODGE  
SUN DANCE SINGERS  
TYING OFFERINGS TO RAFTERS OF SUN DANCE LODGE  
GETTING POSTS AND SOD FOR SUN DANCE LODGE  
ARAPAHO WARRIOR SOCIETIES OR LODGES  
CRAZY LODGE  
LODGE MEMBERSHIP EXPENSIVE  
COOPERATION OF LODGE BROTHERS  
SUN DANCE PARAPHERNALIA  
BEHAVIOR OF DANCERS DURING SUN DANCE  
DANCING WITH MEDICINE WHEEL  
COVERING THE SACRED PIPE  
MEN WHO DON'T FULFILL THEIR VOW HAVE BAD LUCK  
MYRTLE'S BOY DANCING IN SUN DANCE  
RELATIONSHIP WITH CEREMONIAL GRANDFATHER  
DOG MEAT COOKED FOR SUN DANCE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Myrtle Lincoln was born at Cantonment June 25, 1888. Her father was Bad Man, an Indian policeman, and her mother was Red Feather. Myrtle was an orphan by the age of 13. A grandmother helped raise her, and later an aunt took her but she stayed at Cantonment boarding school much of the time. Myrtle's marriage to Howard Howling Buffalo of Howard Lincoln was arranged by her uncle, Coal Fire. Myrtle and Howard had seven children, two of whom--daughters--are living today. One son was killed in World War II, and two other sons were killed in local accidents.