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MYRTLE LINCOLN, ARAPAHO

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GENERAL SUBJECT: MEDICINES AND CURING AND COMMENTS CONCERNING  
SOME OLD TIME ARAPAHOS

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

COMMENTS ON PICTURES IN TRENHOLM'S BOOK, "THE ARAPAHOS"  
HOW MYRTLE WAS CURED OF PNEUMONIA IN A PEYOTE MEETING  
USE OF PEYOTE AS MEDICINE  
MEDICINES FOR SWELLING AND FOR COUGH  
ARAPAHO TERM FOR PEYOTE  
SNEEZING MEDICINE  
TREATMENT FOR HEADACHE  
TREATMENT OF BROKEN BONES  
TREATMENT OF CUTS  
INSECT AND SNAKE BITES  
STOMACH TROUBLE  
ENTRAILS EATEN AND ARAPAHO TERMS FOR SOME PARTS  
TREATMENT OF SORES AND ITCH  
FACE PAINTING  
CARE OF THE HAIR  
ARAPAHO TERMS FOR PNEUMONIA, SMALLPOX, MEASLES  
ARAPAHOS GOT PEYOTE FROM THE SOUTH  
LEFT HAND FAMILY  
STORY ABOUT BLACK COYOTE  
MORE ON LEFT HAND FAMILY  
LITTLE RAVEN FAMILY

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 or 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. Myrtle and her husband supported themselves by farming on tribal land and doing farm labor for neighboring white farmers. They moved to a place near Cantonment in 1936, and Myrtle has lived at this place ever since. Myrtle has also worked as a cleaning woman in Canton. She now lives on a very small Social Security allotment and a small income from a land lease. She is well known to Indians and whites in the Canton area and her status as a Gold Star mother has earned her a great deal of respect. She appears to be in very good health, for her age, and is active and quick and alert.

COMMENTS ON PICTURES IN TRENHOLM'S BOOK, "THE ARAPAHOS"

(--and he used to dress just like that--Left-Hand?)