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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?)