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GUY QUEOTONE, KIOWA
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GENERAL SUBJECT:

BIRDS AND USE OF FEATHERS

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

EAGLE FEATHERS: THEIR CARE AND USE
PARROT FEATHERS USED IN PEYOTE WORSHIP AND AS HEALING MAGIC WAND
DENVER'S ZOO GOT ITS FIRST BUFFALOES FROM GOODNIGHT RANCH
PARROT FEATHERS WERE RARE AND HARD TO GET
NATIVE CHURCH WORSHIPPERS USE PARROT FEATHERS
SCISSOR-TAIL FEATHERS GIVE POWER OF MAKING LOVE
SCISSOR-TAIL FEATHERS USED AS ORNAMENTS AND IN NATIVE CHURCH SERVICE
HUMMINGBIRD IS ONLY "WHOLE" BIRD THE INDIANS USE
HUMMINGBIRD USED AS EMBLEM OF POSSESSED POWER
STORY ABOUT OLD LADY TWO-HATCHET
HOW GIFTS OR POWER IS RECEIVED AND PASSED ON
STORY ABOUT OLD MAN HUNTING HORSE'S CURE OF BLINDNESS
MORE ABOUT HUMMINGBIRDS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Guy Queotone was born on October 15, 1886. He is a Methodist minister, now retired, and has been active in church work for many years. He is also a student of Kiowa history, having been interested in listening to stories told by the old-timers about life and happenings in the old days. He has written notes and articles concerning many of these happenings as he remembers them or heard them from other Kiowas. He attended Methvin Institute in Anadarko and is well educated for his generation, and encouraged all of his children to get higher educations. He worked in the Indian police and with surveying crews, and in various positions at the Agency, and has been active in tribal business most of his life. At the time of these interviews he was alert, articulate, and had an excellent memory for details such as names, dates, and general background of events. He is hard of hearing and sometimes misunderstands questions or must have them repeated. He speaks Kiowa fluently but also has a good command of the English language.

EAGLE FEATHERS: THEIR CARE AND USE

(You were telling about, just repeating what you last said about somebody shot it?)

It may be somebody shot it somewhere and it flew in the hills up