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INFORMANT: EUGENIA MAUSAPE, KIOWA
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GENERAL SUBJECT: THE BUFFALO MEDICINE

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

STORY ABOUT WOMAN CAPTURED BY UTES AND HOW BUFFALO MEDICINE WAS GIVEN TO HER

DISCUSSION OF ARTICLES IN BUFFALO MEDICINE KIT

STORY ABOUT HER FATHER DOCTORING INJURED GIRL

STORY OF HOW CONKLIN HUMMINGBIRD DOCTORED HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW

JOHN COLLIER COLLECTING STORIES

STORIES ABOUT FIRST DAYS IN SCHOOL, METHVIN INSTITUTE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT: Eugenia Mausape was born around 1882 and died in December of 1967. Her real father was a Buffalo Medicine man named p ẃ.bèdlò ʾkòi and her mother was named ʾómh ẃ.tè or Omharty. Her step-father, whom her mother married when Eugenia was about thirteen years old, was named Hummingbird. Eugenia started to school when she was about thirteen and went four years at Methvin Institute. There she was given the name of Eugenia Hummingbird. Eugenia's brother, Conklin Hummingbird, was also a Buffalo Medicine man. At the time of this interview, Eugenia still had the Buffalo Medicine kit that had belonged to her real father, and to her brother, Conklin. Eugenia has been a strong member of the Methodist Church almost all of her life, and has not participated too much in Indian dances and pow-wows. Her daughter, Maud McDaniels (Mrs. Paul McDaniels) lives in Anadarko and works at Riverside Indian School. Eugenia married Joshua Kaulity when she wasabout twenty-two years old, and when he died she married a man named Mausape, who was Mrs. McDaniels' father.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON BUFFALO MEDICINE: In this interview Eugenia tells the story of how her great-grandmother was captured by the Utes and on her escape and journey back to the Kiowas was given the Buffalo Medicine by a buffalo. Then she has the medicine kit brought out and showed me all the items. These things were in a briefcase or small leather bag. Items comprising the buffalo medicine shown to me were: