

PROPHECY OF SITTING BULL -- WOULD BE KILLED BY HIS OWN PEOPLE

By One Bull

Soon after Sitting Bull had returned to Standing Rock from Fort Randall he felt as though all the White People were bitterly against him, especially the Indian Agent. It seems everything he did was under suspicion. Not being used to be bossed round by anyone, he could not conceive the idea that he was a subject under some one who was foreign to him.

He was living, near the Agency where he was continuously ordered and advised to do this and that by the government officials, including the Indian Police.

Likewise that certain bands of the natives on the reservation, outside his own, through the jealousy of the nation chiefs, selected and appointed by the Indian Agent, seemed to have got it in for him. He realized that he was not himself any more.

One morning he got up early to look after his ponies, which he had left hobbled some distance from his home. He had to walk about three miles before he found them.

It happened that, just as he had reached the top of a hill, he seemed to hear a voice from somewhere nearby and he stopped right short to listen to it. It was a meadow-lark pearching on a little know facing Sitting Bull saying: Dakota ni ktepi ktelo" meaning "Dakotas will kill you."

He felt very much grieved over what this friendly bird had told him though he tried his hardest to forget it.

When he got home he told his friends and relative what the meadow lark had said. From that time on he seemed to feel -- really -- he was to be killed by his own people.

He was killed by the government Indian Police in the Messiah Craze Outbreak, Dec. 12, 1890.