

THE HIDE WITH HIERGLYPHICS - A WARNING

And by that connection, our old Chief Little Raven, priest of the Arapaho tribe had a hide that had what you call this Hierglyphics, in writing in characterizing--so, my folks, my uncle, my dad, them folks said they saw that hide headright. He's the only one could read it. At one time, my father gave up five his wives 'cause he got old and couldn't hunt for 'em no more. So, he took 'em to--they were daughters of Little Raven--took 'em back to 'im, their family. He kept my mother and another woman. His cousin came along later on and he says, "Brother where's all your wives?" He says, "Oh, I took 'em back home. I can't hunt no more. White people come in here and I can't get out no more, so, I took 'em back to their folks." So, this cousin says, "I'm going over and get one of my sister-in-laws and marry her. I still hunt, still active. She can always cook for me and keep my company." So, my cousin went out there and got one of them Little Raven women. So, while he stayed there with Little Raven, he took care of Little Raven's horses, provide food for him, hunt for him. And one morning got some deer--pretty early in morning and was cooking it and he invite old man Little Raven come and eat with him near cantonment. So, Little Raven come in there and give him lot deer meat, you know and wife and kids maybe. So, when Little Raven got through, my son-in-law say "I thank you very much for nice breakfast you give me." So, I going to tell you something." So, he says, we call him "Gros Ventre Left Hand" or "Big Belly." That's Gros Ventre you know, Big Stomach. He say, "All right, what you want to tell me"? He says, "I read in my book not long ago, that those hierblyphics--"

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On the hide. "And it says this. I don't know how many years it has been written, but says if don't watch out there is going to be people coming here to us that's got all sewed up in their cloth--and they got hair on their faces, they got blue eyes--they cut their hair and their women white with long necks and all that. You know--characteristics--"