

BURIAL CUSTOMS:

(How did they bury people along time ago?)

Long time--they just set up rocks about that high, (app. 3') so it won't touch their body--they take them up to the mountain, they don't bury them out here on the level places--they take them up to the mountain. That Mt. Scott is full of Indians, dead peoples, all around in there. My father's mother is buried there on the north side.

Lots of Indians up there. They have set up focks and they put them in there and they have a big flat rock over it--they pile rocks over it like that--the body of somebody there and cover it.

HOW INDIANS LEARNED EAGLE HAD POWER:

(Are there any stories about the eagle?)

Yes, they is.

(Could you tell me one?)

There was two eagles--they were way up there in the mountains side and there was a cave up there and that's where they live. This man, he was by himself. He went--he climbed that big mountain and he was after those eagles. Wanted to kill those eagles and get the tail.

And before he got up there those eagles found that they were going to get killed. So they came down after this man. He was climbing this mountain and they came down like that--they fly down just above this man, and one of them grabbed him like that, one of those eagles--just took a hold of him like that and carried him way up there to that top of the mountains and set him down. And when he looked in that other cave there was little bitty ones--two baby birds they was in there.

And he said, "I didn't come up for these baby birds, I come up for these big eagles" and they carried me up here. I want the tail. And he turned around and grabbed him again and flew with him, I don't know how many miles--at that time they don't know nothing about miles--and they took him so far and then layed him down on the ground. Said,