

running trying to find a place to shelter. She said she might find a wash-out place--a hole where the water washes out a hole--said she might run in there. Some kind of cave--natural cave. Couldn't find any. And she was running. She was just almost exhausted when the storm commenced to blow in and hail commenced coming down. And then she saw something dark ahead of her and she run to see what it was, and it was the carcass of a dead buffalo. And coyotes had eaten up all the inside of it and it's been cleaned out and over and over and it was just nothing but dry bones, but it had a hide over it--the body had a hide over it. So as the storm was coming pretty close, and she crawled in there to shelter. To keep away from the hail. And this hail commenced to beat on her. Just about that time large pieces of hail were-- But the ribs on the hide kinda sheltered her and it just pound on there. And it rain and the storm went over and she just laid there and prayed to the Ten Grandmother Gods to see that she be sheltered and be back home. And she'd walking a long way all night without sleep, and from her capture she was tired, and she doze off to sleep in side that buffalo. And she had a dream. And that buffalo began to talk to her. It told her, "You came for protection. You want me to help you, save you. Well, I'm willing to give you my magical powers--transfer it." And it said, "You'll be immune from sickness and you can carry the powers I give you. Anybody have hemorrhages--hemorrhages of the lungs--blood--you'll have power to stop it. Stop the blood flow and bring it back to health. Or any serious wound from the enemy--somebody wounded--whether it's arrows or bullets, you'll go through the power gifts I give you and ceremonies and they'll be restored to health, and everything. And if your relative--a young man going to war--this is the shield I want you to see and make one just like it out of buffalo hide. And this is the color and the way I want you to fix it." And he made a picture of the Buffalo Shield--buffalo picture, head, in there, and feathers hanging on to it. And that's the way it was, and so much paint. That blood is