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GUY QUOETONE, KIOWA

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GENERAL SUBJECT: EAGLES AND OTHER BIRDS

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

EAGLE FEATHERS

MANNER OF CAPTURING EAGLES, AND HUNTING THEM

BROTHER-IN-LAW STORY ABOUT TRYING TO SHOOT AN EAGLE.

TRAPPING EAGLES

DISPOSITION OF EAGLE FEATHERS

LAW AGAINST KILLING EAGLES

HOW INDIANS GET EAGLE FEATHERS TODAY

BAED EAGLE

USE OF EAGLE FEATHERS FOR DOCTORING

WATER CROW OR WATER TURKEY (ANHINGA)

WATER TURKEY IN PEYOTE CEREMONY

THUNDERBIRD

BRIEF VERSION OF TWIN BOYS AND THUNDERBIRD (STORY CONNECTED WITH TEN GRANDMOTHER GODS)

STORY OF HOW TWIN BOYS GOT BISON SINEW (A TEN GRANDMOTHER GODS STORY)

THUNDERBIRD, KIOWA WORD FOR

EAGLE, KIOWA WORD FOR

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT: Guy Quoetone is 82 years old. He is a Methodist minister, now retired and has been active in church work for many years. He is also a student of Kiowa history, having been interested in listening to stories told by the old-timers about life and happenings in the old days. He has written notes and memoranda concerning many of these happenings in recent years, but they are his own composition and from his memory of either viewing them or hearing them from other Kiowas. He has often served as interpreter for the older Kiowa leaders who could not speak English. He served in the Indian police, and was an interpreter for the Surveyors when the country was opened up. At 82 he is alert, articulate, and seems to have very good memory of things in past years. He is hard of hearing and sometimes misunderstands questions or must have them repeated.

Guy Quoetone was born October 15, 1885.

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