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GUY QUEOTONE, KIOWA

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GENERAL SUBJECT:

INDIAN DOCTORS AND THE BUFFALO MEDICINE POWER

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

FASTING TO OBTAIN SUPERNATURAL POWERS

STORY OF HOW THE BUFFALO MEDICINE ORIGINATED

PARAPHERNALIA USED WITH THE BUFFALO MEDICINE

HOW THE BUFFALO MEDICINE POWER IS HANDED DOWN TO OTHERS

GROUP OF BUFFALO MEDICINE MEN

JERKED MEAT

KIOWA KNOWLEDGE OF STARS AND KIOWA NAMES FOR SOME CONSTELLATIONS

BRIEF VERSION OF STORY OF ANIMALS GATHERED AT A RACE TRACK

(THE MILKY WAY) AND CREATION OF THE HORSE, ETC:

STORYTELLING

MORE ABOUT THE BUFFALO MEDICINE; ITS POWER AND ASSOCIATED RULES

GUY'S ACCOUNT OF TWO CASES WHERE HE WATCHED BUFFALO MEDICINE MEN AT WORK

NAMES OF LAST KIOWA BUFFALO MEDICINE MEN

A KIOWA SUICIDE

MORE ON HOW BUFFALO MEDICINE MEN DOCTORED

ANOTHER DOCTORING CASE AND HOW AN INDIAN DOCTOR WAS CALLED TO A CASE

"OTTER OIL" USED AS AN INGREDIENT OF A FUMIGANT

GUY'S ACCOUNT OF WATCHING AN ARAPAHO MEDICINE MAN COMMUNICATE WITH SPIRITS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Guy Queotone was born October 15, 1886. 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 articles concerning many of these happenings as he remembers them or heard them from other Kiowas. He attended Methvin Institute in Anadarko, and is well educated for his generation, and encouraged all of his children to get higher educations. He worked in the Indian Police and with surveying crews, and in various positions at the Agency, and has been active in tribal business most of his life. At the time of these interviews he was alert, articulate, and had an excellent memory for details such as names, dates, and general background of events. He is hard of hearing and sometimes misunderstands questions or must have them repeated. He speaks Kiowa fluently but also has a good command of the English language.