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notes on Cheyenne and Sutaio

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 2684-a Truman Michelson notes on Cheyenne and Sutaio
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Extent:	50 Pages
Creator:	Michelson, Truman, 1879-1938 Wolf Chief, circa 1851 Bull Thigh, circa 1829- Wrapped Hair, circa 1836- Whiteman, Milton
Language:	Multiple languages In English and Cheyenne.
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Administrative Information

Available Formats

Negative microfilm

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Digital surrogates are available online.

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Scope and Contents

Cheyenne and Sutaio notes collected by Truman Michelson from Wolf Chief, Bull Thigh, and Wrapped Hair, with Milton Whiteman as interpreter. Subjects include: Sutaio-Cheyenne history, Cheyenne relationship terms, joking relationship, English-Cheyenne-Sutaio vocabulary, Cheyenne soldier societies (Red Hoof society, Dog Soldiers, Elk society, Fox soldiers), Sutaio tales (Everybody starving, Prairie chicken), Sutaio customs, Cheyenne customs, and berdaches. According to the BAE catalog card, these notes were collected in Clinton, Oklahoma, which is most likely incorrect. His 1913-1914 correspondence in the Records of the BAE and the 35th BAE Annual Report indicate that he conducted fieldwork on the Sutaio during this period at Tongue River Reservation in Montana.

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Local Note

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Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Cheyenne Indians
- Cheyenne Indians -- History
- Cheyenne language
- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Joking relationships
- Kinship
- Language and languages -- Documentation
- Social structure
- Two-spirit people

Cultures:

- Cheyenne Indians
- Indians of North America -- Great Plains

Types of Materials:

- Field notes
- Folklore
- Vocabulary

Geographic Names:

- Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation (Mont.)