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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 3538 Several short manuscripts collected by Jeremiah Curtin
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Creator:	Curtin, Jeremiah, 1835-1906 Pitt, Jesse Koalak'aka
Language:	Undetermined

Administrative Information

Provenance

Filed in archives December 1937, from collection of old manuscripts in Mr. Hewitt's office.

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Scope and Contents

In addition to Modoc materials, there are items which relate or may relate to the Shasta, Achomawi, Wintun and Yana. Possibly not all are in Curtin's handwriting.

Scope and Contents

Contents of file: (1) "Modoc Words." February 23, 1884. 34 pages total: vocabulary 24, 2 pages; myth, 2 pages (note on outside cover reads, "One Kumush story in this book"); notes on several myths which are identified by number only, 6 pages. This entire item may belong in file 2569. (2) "Customs. Information given by Jesse Pitt." Modoc. 9 pages, numbered 421-9. Marked "not to be used in "Modoc Myths;" see letter 7/8/12." This notation is crossed out. (3) "Medicine. The Doctor. This information was given by Koalak'aka. I afterward questioned the old men at Klamath Agency and found out that it was accurate." 8 pages numbered 414-20. Same notation as above, crossed out. (4) "Names of Places on the Triangle East of Redding and South of Pit River. Achomawi ? 30 pages. (5) Personal names, Achomawi ? Shasta ? Wintun ? Yana ? 15 pages. (6) Item moved to Yana vocabulary # 2060 (5/66) (7) Vocabulary. Tribe ? 6 pages. Mentions terms relating to Mt. Shasta page 2; Redding, page 3, Pit River, page 4, Maj. Redding, page 5, Stillwater, page 5. (8) Miscellaneous vocabulary notes. Tribes ? 7 pages.

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Modoc Words

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Customs. Information given by Jesse Pitt

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Medicine. The Doctor.

Other Title

Names of Places on the Triangle East of Redding and South of Pit River

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Achomawi Indians
Achumawi
Folklore -- Modoc
Indians of North America -- California
Indians of North America -- Plateau
Language and languages -- Documentation
Modoc Indians
Names, Personal -- Achomawi
Names, place -- Achomawi
Shasta Indians
Social structure -- Modoc
Wintu Indians
Wintun
Yana Indians

Cultures:

Achomawi Indians
Indians of North America -- California
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Modoc Indians
Shasta Indians
Wintu Indians
Wintun
Yana Indians