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MS 4699 How the Medicine Lodge Was Given to the  
Indian, including How to read the Medicine Scroll

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## Collection Overview

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| <b>Repository:</b> | National Anthropological Archives   |
| <b>Title:</b>      | MS 4699 How the Medicine Lodge Was Given to the Indian, including How to read the Medicine Scroll               |
| <b>Date:</b>       | 1910  |
| <b>Identifier:</b> | NAA.MS4699  |
| <b>Creator:</b>    | Moorehead, Warren King, 1866-1939<br>Lufkins, John (Chippewa) (Translator)<br>Dodge, Day (Chippewa) (Informant) |
| <b>Extent:</b>     | 9 Pages   |
| <b>Language:</b>   | Undetermined .  |

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

According to the letter of transmittal from Warren K. Moorehead, (Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, April 6, 1910) to F.W. Hodge, the typescript is a copy of part of a translation by John Lufkins, a half-blood Ojibwa graduate of Carlisle School, of a birch-bark record given to Moorehead by Day Dodge, the only surviving medicine man of the Otter Tail band of Ojibwas. Moorehead expected to receive a further translation of "the real secrets" which he promised to send to Hodge and which were not to be published until after the death of Day Dodge, then aged 82.

### Location of Originals

The birch-bark roll is in the Phillips Academy Museum.

### Citation

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## Scope and Contents

It appears from the typescript that only one page of it is actually a translation or explanation of the scroll; the other pages are apparently a translation by Lufkins of an account by Day Dodge of the origin of the medicine lodge.

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## Local Numbers

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## Local Note

Typescript document

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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:

- Anishinaabe (Chippewa/Ojibwa)
- Medicine Lodge -- Chippewa
- Medicine scroll
- Medicine scroll -- Chippewa

### Cultures:

- Anishinaabe (Chippewa/Ojibwa)
- Medicine scroll