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# Finding Aid to the For Eagles to be Crows Collection

For Eagles to be Crows collection, 1971-1973 .6 linear ft.
120 audio tapes

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#### **OVERVIEW**

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#### **HISTORY**

Planning for the KDSU radio series, "For Eagles to be Crows" began in 1971 by meeting with community and tribal council members on the North Dakota reservations to determine if there was a need for the series as well as what topics and areas needed to be covered. The series was an attempt to tell the story of North Dakota's Indians as interpreted by them and from their own point of view. These visits were done by Sharon Cobb and JoAnn Logan.

A grant proposal was submitted to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in 1972 by KDSU Radio and funding was received through CPB's Community Service Grants. Producer for the project was Sharon

Cobb with JoAnn Logan, associate producer. Narrator for the series was John L. Tilton, program manager of KDSU. Others assisting were Mary Metzger and Jim Hetland.

Before any taped interviews were conducted, the project staff visited each reservation three times to establish trust and openness of communications. During these visits formats were developed with all the resource people for their approval with final approval made by the tribal councils. At this point the taping of interviews commenced and over 150 persons were interviewed. The producers ended up with over 200 hours of taped material which was edited into twenty-three half-hour programs. Extensive research was also done using primary and secondary sources in private collections and public research facilities. Upon completion, the final programs were sent to the reservations for final approval by the resource persons and tribal councils.

The radio series is divided into three parts: "The heritage of the Indian people; a review of the general effectiveness and evident trends in the policies of federal agency programs; and a discussion of those problems which are troublesome socially for the Indians." The twenty-three weekly radio programs began airing on November 4, 1973 on KDSU radio. It later was aired on radio stations in Minnesota, New Mexico, Massachusetts and North Dakota. In 1974 KDSU received the American Bar Association's Certificate of Merit in the Gavel Awards competition for the series.

The title of the series was taken from a quotation by Sitting Bull in 1876: "If the Great Spirit had desired me to be a white man He would have made me so in the first place. He put in your heart certain wishes and plans. In my heart he put other and different desires. Each man is good in his sight. It is not necessary for eagles to be crows."

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The For Eagles to be Crows collection has been divided into five series: Administration, Reservations, Resources, Oral Interview Tapes, and Program Tapes. The paper records originally were in no order. The first three series were established during processing. It is apparent there are missing records, oral interview tapes and gaps in what there is in the collection.

The <u>Administration Series</u> contains a variety of files documenting the implementation of the project including: various outline plans, meeting notes, lists of persons contacted for interviewing, and a small amount of correspondence. The scripts files contain edited versions of all the radio program scripts. For about sixteen of the oral interviews there are tape logs detailing the contents of the interview. The last file contains the Gavel Award nomination submission, related correspondence, and the award announcement.

The <u>Reservation Series</u> contains information on each of the four North Dakota reservations including: histories, fact sheets, clippings and correspondence. There are also outlines of meetings held on the reservations by the project coordinators.

The <u>Resources Series</u> contains a variety of material apparently used by the staff in researching the radio series. The non-North Dakota file has general information on Indian population statistics, housing,

poverty, cultural values, and an Indian Police Academy training manual. The North Dakota file contains a number of items issued by the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission, and education items including several brochures from the United Tribes Employment Training center. There is also an incomplete run of *The Action News* (1971-1972) published by the Three Affiliated Tribes' Community Action Program, based at New Town, N.D.

The Oral Interview Tapes Series includes ninety-seven tapes of interviews done with Indians on the various reservations and other resource persons. The tapes are organized in their original order which possibly is the order in which they were done. None of the tapes are dated. An alphabetical name index is including following the box listing. Complete names are lacking on a number of the tapes and original tape log. A number of the interview tapes as listed on the log are missing. They are noted on the original tape log.

The **Program Tapes Series** contains the twenty-three programs which were aired on KDSU. They are on 7-in. reels. It is not known if these tapes are the master tapes.

#### SEPARATIONS RECORD

Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Program for Progress, 1969-1971 (3 vols.) cataloged into Inst. Rm. book collection.

#### **BOX AND FOLDER LIST**

Box/Folder	Contents
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1/1 History and Inventory

#### **ADMINISTRATION SERIES**

1/2	Projection plan, 1971
1/3	Data format, 1971-1972
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Scripts-	
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1/14	Employment
1/15	Housing
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1/17	Mass Media
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1/22	Gavel Award

## **RESERVATION SERIES**

1/23	Fort Berthold, 1956, 1967-1973
1/24	Fort Totten, 1967-1972
1/25	Standing Rock, 1967-1972
2/1	Turtle Mountain, 1967-1972

## RESOURCES SERIES

2/2	Non-North Dakota, 1969-1972
2/3	North Dakota, 1967-1970
2/4	The Action News, 1971-1972

# ORAL INTERVIEW TAPES SERIES

Reel	Resource Person	Subject Area	Cassette Tape
1	Michael Taylor	Ft. Berthold Heritage	X
2	Michael Taylor	Ft. Berthold Heritage	X
3	Vine deLoria	Future projections	
4	Joe Plumage/Bill Weir	Alcohol	X (A&B)
	(19:01) (0-19:00)		
5	Dr. Catrell (29:20)	Church input	
6	Dr. Catrell (0-22:20)		
7	Mary Thompson	Federal agencies	
8	Mary Thompson (21:10)	Federal agencies	
8	Alvina Alberts (47:00)	Ft. Totten Heritage/Education	
9	Alberts (21:05)/Mrs. David Garcia	Ft. Totten Heritage/Education	X (A&B)
9	Mrs. David Garcia (27:20)	Law and Order	X (A&B)
10	Mrs. David Garcia/Wisenberger	Law and Order	
11	Mrs. David Garcia/Wisenberger	Law and Order	
11	Florence Joshua	Education	
12	Florence Joshua	Education	

12	Bruns	Education	
	Everette Ballman &		
13	Evadena Gillette	Federal agencies	X (A&B)
14	Clyde Baker	Education	X (A&B)
	Marie Wells	Ft. Berthold Heritage -	
		Law & Order	X (A&B)
14	Tom Yellow Wolf (19-4)	Federal agencies	X (A&B)
15	Tom Yellow Wolf (to 20:00)	Law and OrderLegals	
15	Atkinson (21:30-30:35)	Law and OrderLegals	
15	Mrs. Yellow Bird (30:50)	Law and OrderLegals	
16	Bergland (poor quality)		
17	Bergland (poor quality)		
18	Mrs. David Garcia/Florence Joshua	Ft. Totten Heritage	X
19	Mrs. David Garcia/Florence Joshua	Ft. Totten Heritage	X
20	Mrs. David Garcia/Florence Joshua	Ft. Totten Heritage	X
21	Pete Owen (27:00)	Non-reservation	
22	Davis/Mary Cornelius	Federal agencies	
23	Davis/Bob Robillard	Federal agencies	
23	Greg LaVallie	Federal agencies	
24	Ed Milligan	Law and Order	X (A&B)
25	Ed Milligan	Law and Order	X (A&B)
26	Ed Milligan to (26:10)	Housing/Health	
26	Vern Vallie (@26:10)	Education	
26	Carol Davis	Education	
27	Vern Vallie, Davis, Jim (to 25:01)	Education	
27	Judge Fredricks &		
	Holly Jeanotte (25:03)	Law and Order	
	Judge Fredricks/Holly Jeanotte		
28	(to 12:30)	Law and Order	
28	Reginald Brien (@12:50)	Federal agencies	
29	Reginald Brien (0-1:30)	Recreation	X (A&B)
29	Pat Gailfee (1:30-40:00)	Health	X (A&B)
29	Wayne Trottier (40:00 to end)	Housing	X (A&B)
30	Wayne Trottier (41:25)	Housing	X (A,B&C)
30	Twila Martin (22:28)	Education	X (A,B&C)
30	Ollie Oswald (to 5:55)	Education	X (A,B&C)
31	Broadhead (to 41-25)	Federal agencies	, ,
31	Mary Poitra (41:55-end)	HeritageEnrollment	
32	Henry Bowker	Public Health	X (A&B)
33	Leo Cadotte (to 62:24)	Heritage	X (A,B&C)
33	Ambrose Antelope (62:24-end)	Heritage	X (A,B&C)
34	Earl Azure, Ken, Vern,	Č	, , ,
35	Carl, etc,		
36	UND Indian Symposium		
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38	Roland Ross	Education, Values	
39	Ralph Walker/Eugene Brown	Heritage	X (A&B)
40	Juanita Helphry (to 41:50)	Non-reservation	X (A&B)
40	Elaine Grey Bull	Non-reservation	X (A&B)
41	Mary College Students	Fornication	
42	Davison, Lawrence, Gibbons	Education	X (A&B)
43	Marie deMontigne (to 21:60)	HeritageTurtle Mountain	X (A&B)
44	Massey, Hart, etc. (to 56:48)	United Tribes	
44	Dennis Huber (end of reel)	JOM	
45	Pete Brinkerhoft	Education	
46	Lizz Yellow Bird	Education	X (A&B)
47	Annie McCowan	Miscellaneous	X
48	Dominick Siletti	Heritage, Now situation	X (A&B)
49	John Crow	Public law 280-	
49	Leon Cook	Irrelevant to N.D.	
50	Sam Deloria	State involvement	X (A only)
51	John Crow	Bureau of Indian Affairs,	X
		Ft. Totten	
52	Lindely at Paul Ewald's,	Ft. Berthold heritage	X (A&B)
	Fishhook Village		
53	Sharon Cobb at Paul Ewald's	Heritage	X (A&B)
54	Delores Comstock	Housing, Education, etc.	
55	"Chris"	HeritageSign language	
56	Indian Awareness Panel	Education	
57	UT Indian Dance	Music	
58	Life at the Center &		
59	Education Program		
60	Awareness Conf. dinner	Music	
61	Frank Morin, Dave Jollie II	Federal agencies	
	Fettig, Jerome, etc.	High School Belcourt Educati	on
62		Turtle Mountain	
63	Grant, Roger deCoteau	Alcohol Treatment Center -	
		Belcourt	
63	Jacobson	Voc. Rehab.	
64	Grant, and deCoteau	Alcohol	
64	Frank Morin and Jollie I, Dave	Federal agencies	
65	Frank Morin and Jollie III, Dave	Federal agencies	
66	Father Wilfred Lambertz I	Heritage/Church Input	
67	Father W. Lambertz III	Church Input	
68	Roy LaFontaine I	Employment	X
69	Roy LaFontaine II	Employment	X
69	Melody Azure	Recreation	X
70	G.I.I.C. Discussion	State Involvement	

71	Same (irrelevant to N.D.)	Public Law (Sandstone Prison)	
72	Ernest Patnaudeopinion		
73	Indian Singers/Dancers	Music	
74	Juanita Helphry	Church Input	X
75	Juanita Helphry	Church Input	X
76	Melvin White Eagle	Tribal Structure	X (A&B)
77	Chaske Wicks	Heritage	
78	Chaske Wicks	Urban Indians	
78	Henry J. Gayton, Jr.	Law and Order	
79	Gayton (cont.)	Law and Order	X (A&B)
79	Perry Many Wounds	Alcoholism	X (A&B)
80	Judge Agaard	Court System	
81	Robert Sullivan		
81	Philip (Skip) Longie		
82	J.C. Whitman		
82	Earl Azure/Bernard Kjaro		
83	Willard Yellow Bird	RecreationBerthold	
83	Dr. James Brusso	Public Health	
84	Theordore Ankle	UND Indian Studies	
84	Ken Davis		
85	Gladys Ray	Non-reservation	
86	Gladys Ray	Non-reservation	
87	Bob Fox, Florence, Crow Dog		X (A&B)
88	Vine Deloria	Heritage	
89	Bob McLaughlin	Federal agencies	
89		Education	
90	William Voeder	Fed. agencies	
91	Bobo Dean	Heritage	
92	Phillip Deloria	Heritage	
93	John Anderson	Heritage	
94	Dennis Banks	Non-reservation	
95	Jim Davis	Education	
96	Jim Davis	Education II	
97	Ken Davis	Religion	

# PROGRAM TOPICS SERIES

<u>Reel</u>	<u>Program #</u>	Subject Area
00	1	Fout Double 1d I
98	1	Fort Berthold I
99	2	Fort Berthold II
100	3	Fort Berthold III
101	4	Fort Berthold IV

102	5	Fort Totten I
103	6	Fort Totten II
104	7	Standing Rock I
105	8	Standing Rock II
106	9	Turtle Mountain I
107	10	Turtle Mountain II
108	11	Federal Agencies and Programs I
109	12	Federal Agencies and Programs II
110	13	Alcoholism
111	14	Church Involvement I
112	15	Church Involvement II
113	16	Education I
114	17	Education II
115	18	Employment
116	19	Housing
117	20	Law and Order
118	21	Mass Media, Public Facilities
		& Recreation
119	22	Non-Reservation
120	23	Public Health