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carried a shield and bow and arrows, and in the other hand a rattle. He danced with a Comanche step in a semicircle in front of the rest of the dancers and opposite the chorus. The chorus consisted of about 75 men and boys all with beaded head bands holding one or two eagle feathers and with their faces painted in various colors (which seemed to resemble Apache painting). They carried bows, arrows, swords or guns. There were also in the chorus two negro impersonators who appeared remarkably like minstrel actors. They wore dark suits, white shirts and an abundance of coral and turquoise beads around their necks. There was also one other clown who appeared in the plaza between the dances. He wore an old Army overcoat and carried a gun under his arm, and seemed to fascinate the children.

February 2, San Felipe, Buffalo dance. It is interesting to compare this dance with the one given at Santo Domingo. At San Felipe there were no performers except two Buffalo dancers, two Corn Maidens, one leader, one drummer and 10 men in the chorus. The Corn Maidens did not carry the ear of corn in their left hands as is customary. The costuming of the chorus was different. The majority wore fans of eagle feathers behind their heads. These consisted of eight or so eagle feathers at the base of which there was a very thick cluster of hawk feathers.

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Robert Sutherland Rattray, head of the Anthropological Department, British Consular Service at Ashanti, Gold Coast, died in May, 1938. He was an ethnographer, folklorist, and linguist who contributed much valuable material on west Africa.

Warren King Moorehead, American archaeologist, died December, 1938. He was principally known for his excavations at Cahokia, Hopewell and Etowah mounds. He also made investigations in Colorado, New Mexico and Utah for the Chicago Exposition.

Thomas Wingate Todd, anatomist and physical anthropologist, died December 28 in his 54th year. He was professor of human anatomy at Western Reserve University from 1912 until his death.

Dr. Edward Sapir, linguist, ethnologist, professor at Yale, since 1931, died February 4, at the age of 55. Dr. Sapir was president of the American Anthropological Association.