NEDAA - Stories and Legends

3/4" video, 1988-89. N.N.B.Y., colour, sound, 24 min. 40 sec.

Illustrations and narration are provided for three Yukon native stories and legends. "Star Sisters" tells the legend of two earth sisters who marry sky husbands and live with them in the heavens. The girls soon decide to return to their parents but before doing so one of them gives birth to the North Star. The legend of "Grasspants" tells of the circumstances and the effects of the first encounter between the Old Crow Loucheux and white men. "Lawrence's Christmas" describes the life of a boy and his family during the winter trapping season. The legends and stories are narrated by Louise Profeit-LeBlanc; "Grasspants" is based on a version by Sarah Abel; "Lawrence's Christmas" is an original story by Louise Profeit-LeBlanc. Louise Profeit-LeBlanc introduces "Grasspants" and "Lawrence's Christmas".

Archives has one 3/4" video master designated for storage and one 1/2" VHS viewing copy. VHS and Beta circulating copies are available at the A/V Unit.

Subject headings: Indians of North America - Yukon Territory -Legends: Loucheux Indians - Legends: Profeit-LeBlanc, Louise

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DETAILED LISTING SHEET

Program Title: NEDAA - Stories and Legends

Time/Footage	Description	Format (Colour/ bw/mag/opt/sil)
0:00	Title	colour, sound
0.09	"Star Sisters" segment begins	
0.15	Introduction	
0.25	"Star Sisters" title	
0.38	"Star Sisters" begins	
1:26	The two Earth Sisters go to the sky and marry sky husbands	
2:05	The girls miss their parents and plan to return to Earth on a caribou rope	
3:56	One of the sisters gives birth to the North Star	
4:31	The sisters leave North Star in the sky and return to Earth	
5:00	The sisters arrive on Earth to a potlatch welcome	
5:30	 The North Star continues to shine to remind people of how it came to be 	
5:48	End of "Star Sisters"	
5:49	"Grasspants" segment begins	

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6:50	"Grasspants" title	
7:26	"Grasspants" begins	
7:27	Commentary on the significance of this legend lying in its recounting of the first contact between the Old Crow Loucheux and the white people	
7:50	While out hunting, Grasspants watches two white people arrive in canoes and set up camp	
10:07	Grasspants shares a meal with the white people	
10:40	The white people begin to trade with Grasspants - they give him a gun for his bow and arrow	
11:04	The white people teach Grasspants how to shoot	
11:48	The white people dress Grasspants in western clothing	
12:27	The white people replace Grasspants' flint with matches	
12:55	The white people leave and Grasspants returns to his people	
14:01	End of "Grasspants"	
14:07	"Lawrence's Christmas" segment begins	
14:11	Introduction: interview with Louise Profeit-LeBlanc	
17:21	"Lawrence's Christmas" title	

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18:51	A boy and his family are living out on the trap-line; life in the bush during the winter
24:25	End of "Lawrence's Christmas"
24:37	Credits
24:40	End

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