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These fine Ute beaded moccasins c/1890 are sinew sewn and in superb condition with very minor bead loss, if any. We acquired these superb examples over 30 years ago from a serious private collection and heirs to the original recipient. They were given as a gift to Wallace Stark of the Department of the Interior who worked as a carpenter for the Indian Service of the Uintah & Ouray Agency at Ft. Duchesne, Utah. It is likely that he also served as an interpreter as well, as he was known to have accompanied the Northern Ute delegation to Washington, D.C. in 1905 when the tribe sought to halt the allotment and sale of reservation land. He was regarded as a trusted friend by the Northern Ute people and their leaders. Mr. Wallace retired in 1928. The moccasins measure 9 ½" in length and are 3 3/8" across the soles at the widest. Although they appear to have been worn, it was likely only for ceremonial use, as they are in incredible condition. These would be a fine addition to any serious collection.

