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"David Wright Sr." <dwrightsr@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in news:Xns96787185E29Fnokvamli@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx:

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> The differences in language that I observed between the generations of
> my rural relatives. Those changes occurred for some reason. It was not
> spontaneous, because *all* of them experienced the changes, even when
> they had very infrequent contact amongst themselves and others from my
> mother's side of the family had *no* contact with those of my father's
> side[1].

Sorry. not quite the last word. I forgot to add in my footnote.

[1] All of the members of my generation spoke pretty much the same whereas the older generation on my mother's side spoke a different dialect that did the ones on my father's side. And all of my family spoke much closer to the rural younger generation, which I expect was due to my father leaving home at a very young age and growing up in the urban environment.

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