

APACHE

The Apache were first mentioned in Spanish history in 1598, as inhabitants of the plains of Eastern New Mexico and west Texas. For more than 350 years they waged relentless war against the encroachment of white civilization. Geronimo, the last war chief of the Apache, and his band, were taken prisoners in 1886, and the old Chief was held prisoner at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, until his death a few years ago. In the inaugural parade for Theodore Roosevelt, in which the great Indian chiefs were invited to participate, Geronimo rode without his war bonnet because as a prisoner of war of the United States, he was denied the signs of rank given to the other Warriors.



TO-WAH-KO-NY JIM
Wichita Chief and His Two Wives



GERONIMO (Died a Prisoner at Fort Sill)

WICHITA

The Wichita Mountains of Oklahoma were the original home of the Wichita Indians, although one branch of the tribe resided along the Brazos River in Texas. They, as the Caddo, are linguistically related to the Pawnee. Every year they visit with each other to celebrate a ceremonial "Give-away Dance". This year the Wichita were the hosts at this gathering at their Tribal camp ground at the Camp Creek, close to Anadarko. The Wichita was one of the first tribes of the Plains Indians to establish permanent villages and engage in agriculture. But owing to their proximity to the buffalo plains, they engaged in hunting to a considerable extent. On September 29, 1543, Ki-Chi-Ka-Roqua, Wichita chief, made a famous treaty with the Republic of Texas.