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Well he talked about it, one time. He said the white people were killing the Caddos. And a good many of the Caddos had lost their lives.

And he said these other tribes, the Kiowas and Commanches were the ones that were doing all the meaness. They'd come by where the Caddo village was and they'd get the blame for it.

(The way it was the Commanches would come by the Caddo village, then move on.)

Yes. He said and they'd get the blame for it. They were stealing horses and
just doing from one thing to another. And he said the Caddos would get the
blame for it. Then, he said that's how come they started killing the Caddos.

He used to tell us that, like that. And he said, our great grandpa, he done
his - course we calll him grandpa. White people says great-uncle, you know,
but the Gaddos, we say grandpa.

(That's Jose Maria?)

Yes and his name was (Indian Name)

(Indian Name?)

His Indian name was (Indian name) *Course theore's a band of Cadros, clan of Caddos, they call him (Indian Name). But his folks call him that and he was baptized by the Spanish priests, Catholics at Natchetoches, somewhere round in there. I don't just exactly know.

(And they gave him - did they name him that?)

GRANDFATHER, JOSE MARÍA -MESCAL BEAN

They named him Jose Maria. It's Catholic name. I means Joseph. St. Joseph and Mary, Blessed Mather. And my dad used to tell us about the Mescal Bean. Great deal about Mescal Lodge - going in the Lodge there and eating - - taking this Mescal. You know they go in there and they eat it. And they study the herbs. And they, course they have a man sitting, conducting the meeting. There be four of 'em and the main one would be the one to run