

T-526-1 (First of Two Interviews)  
BELLE GRAY CONNOR, CREEK  
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GENERAL SUBJECT: - LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS AND RELATED SUBJECTS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

EARLY DAYS WHEN MOTHER TAUGHT SCHOOL

FAMILY ALWAYS HAD PLENTY TO EAT - PREPARATION OF FOODS

THERE WERE ALWAYS CHURCHES. - NEIGHBORS HELPED ONE ANOTHER

LEARNED TO COOK AFTER MOTHER DIED

ENJOYED DANCES WHICH WERE POPULAR IN EARLY DAYS

STOMP DANCE WAS A SACRED CEREMONY

RAISED EVERYTHING THAT IS RAISED ON A FARM - ENJOYED

RIDING HORSEBACK

MORE ABOUT FOOD - FATHER WAS GENEROUS WITH OTHER

PEOPLE

MORE ABOUT DANCING

EARLY DAYS - ANIMALS, CLOTHING AND GENERAL SURROUNDINGS

INDIAN DOCTORS AND INDIAN MEDICINES

TRAVEL BY WAGON - BEGINNING OF ASSOCIATION

LIFE WITH SECOND HUSBAND, BILL CONNOR

EDUCATION LIMITED

THINKS THAT EARLY DAYS WERE BETTER THAN PRESENT TIMES

PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Mrs. Belle Gray Connor was born December 12, 1882 in Oklahoma. She attended different school since her mother was a teacher and moved frequently. She lived in Wetumka for a number of years and now lives in Eufaula, Oklahoma.

Note: - The other interview on this tape is: Ellen McCombs Smith, Creek