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GUY QUOETONE, KIOWA

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GENERAL SUBJECT: WAR EXPEDITION ANECDOTES; GUY'S "GRANDFATHER," GOOTOTAI;  
NAMING PRACTICES

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

GUY'S "GRANDFATHER," GOOTOTAI, A FAMOUS WARRIOR

CAPTURING WILD HORSES

HORSE RAIDS IN OLD MEXICO

STORY ABOUT BIG JOE AND A HORSE RAIDING EXPEDITION

GOOTOTAI'S ROLE IN KIOWA SUN DANCE

GOOTOTAI'S STORIES OF WAR EXPEDITIONS

STORY OF GOOTOTAI COOKING RICE

STORY ABOUT GOOTOTAI GETTING HIS CATTLE BACK FROM A WHITE MAN

HOW GUY WAS GIVEN HIS BOY NAME AFTER GOOTOTAI'S RAIDING PARTNER, TOQUAY

KIOWA NAMING CUSTOMS AND EXAMPLES OF NAMING

WAR STORY ABOUT GUK'OYI

MORE ON NAMING

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Guy Quoetone was born October 15, 1885. He is a Methodist minister, now retired and has been active in church work for many years. He is also a student of Kiowa history, having been interested in listening to stories told by the old-timers about life and happenings in the old days. He has written notes and memoranda concerning many of these happenings in recent years, but they are his own composition and from his memory of either viewing them or hearing them from other Kiowas. He has often served in the Indian police, and was an interpreter for the Surveyors when the country was opened up. At 82 he is alert, articulate, and seems to have a very good memory of things in the past. He is hard of hearing and sometimes misunderstands questions or must have them repeated.

GUY'S "GRANDFATHER," GOOTOTAI, A FAMOUS WARRIOR

(What did you want to tell a story about this time? You said you knew a story about Goototai (go.to.tai)--)

Goototai? He married an aunt of mine. But he was partly kin to my father, so I call him "grandpa," all the time. Summertime we sit at the tables and he says, "Grandson, I'm going to tell you something. You always take your time to eat. Always eat in a hurry--fast. Because you don't know when you're going to be attacked! If you just take your time and eat, you