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INFORMANT: MA Y WALQUAH, COMANCHE

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· IDENTIFICATION OF INFORMANT. QUANNAH PARKER WAS HER UNCLE.

(Would you tell me what your name is?)

Yes, Mary Walquah.

(And what year were you born in?)

1912.

(Where was that?)

Over there at Cache. It was at Cache on my grandpa's homestead.

(What was your grandfather's name?)

Oh-wee. (Spelled phonetically.) .

(What, when you were talking about Quannah Parker, what relation are you to him?)

That's uh- that my uncle. This is uh- this is my grandfather and my mother's father is Quannah Parker.

MUCH ABOUT QUAN AH PARKER.

(Oh, could you tell me anything about Quannah Parker? What kind of a man he was?)

He was a whole, the whole Comnache took him for a chief. He was chief of the Comanches. When the Comanches wanted some, certain thing done, they can't get it their self, why, he's the one that would do for them. He done, get it done the way they wanted it done. Such as when a baby was born, Comanche baby born if the parents wanted uh- land for it, way back there when they were getting a hundred and sixty acres, you know, and eight acres, you know, well, he comes to help us and he locate uh- a place for them to where they could be owned, you know. That's the kind of man he was. Otherwise he was just like our supermintendent of the Comanches. He was the chief of all the Comanches.

(Did he belong to any one bunch of Comanches?)