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GUY QUEOTONE, KIOWA
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GENERAL SUBJECT:

INDIAN POLICE AND CREDIT SYSTEMS FOR INDIANS

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

INDIAN POLICE HUNT TRESPASSERS
TRESPASSERS MAKE HAY FROM INDIAN LAND AND SELL IT TO FT. SILL
LEASING ESTABLISHED
INDIAN POLICE CARRY LEASE CONTRACT APPLICATIONS
INDIAN POLICE REPORT IMPROVEMENTS ON THE LAND
STORES SELL ON CREDIT TO INDIANS
CREDITORS HAVE TO CHASE INDIANS TO GET PAYMENT
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS TO INDIANS MADE AT VARIOUS PLACES
IDENTIFICATION OF INDIANS VERIFIED FOR PAYROLL
INDIANS OWE MORE MONEY THAN THEY GET
INDIANS HIRED TO COLLECT MONEY
WHITE MEN GAMBLING WITH INDIANS
INDIANS TRICK COLLECTORS
MORE ON GAMBLING
GOVERNMENT BRANDS STOCK SO INDIANS CAN'T MORTGAGE IT
GOVERNMENT CHECKS ON BRANDED STOCK
RED CARD SYSTEM FOR CREDIT
RATIONS TO INDIANS STOPPED AFTER 1901
SUBSISTENCE IN EARLY 1900'S CAME FROM INCOME FROM LAND
INDIANS FARMING IN EARLY 1900'S
INDIANS HAVE HARD TIME GETTING THEIR WHEAT THRESHED
SEED WHEAT HARD TO GET
POST WORLD WAR II CREDIT ASSOCIATION AND FARMING LOANS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Guy Queotone was born October 15, 1886. 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 stories and articles concerning many of these happenings as he remembers them or heard them from other Kiowas. He attended Methvin Institute in Anadarko, and is well educated for his generation and encourage all his children to get higher educations. He worked in the Indian police and with surveying crews, and in various positions at the Agency, and have been active in tribal business most of his life. At the time of these interviews he was alert, articulate, and had an excellent memory for details such as names, dates, and general background of events. He is hard of hearing and sometimes misunderstands questions or must have them repeated. He speaks Kiowa fluently but also had a good command of the English language.