

HISTORICAL COLLECTION FORM
WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION
Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

SMITH, ADA COLLECTION.

Field worker's name Grace Kelley

#12014

This report made on (date) September 10, 1937

1. Name of person owning collection Ada Smith

Address Wetumka, Oklahoma.

2. Name (if any) of collection Seminole Indian collection

3. This collection contains the following types of material

Ladies' and men's wearing apparel.

4. Amount of material

5. Material deals with

6. Approximate period (dates) material is for

7. Locations of the collection (where it is kept) Wetumka, Oklahoma.

8. Condition of storage place

Condition of collection

9. What does the owner intend to do with this collection

Would he be willing to part with it?

10. Any other information about the collection, including its history

11. Does this owner know other people who have or might have collections.
Give names & addresses

NOTE: In the event that any of the above questions cannot be answered fully in the space allowed, attach blank sheets firmly, and give all available information. Referring to question by number.

Number of sheets attached

Grace Kelley, Interviewer
September 10, 1937.

Seminole Clothing
Ada Smith, Wetumka.

These clothes are worn by the fullblood Seminoles, both men and women. They were worn in the early days and are still in use in Florida by the ones who didn't remove to the Indian Territory.

Anna Tomy of Dania, Florida, made these for me. They are pieced of half inch squares of different colored percale; red, white, black, and orange. Some of the pieces are about an inch long by a half inch wide. Full long sleeves, full, long blouse and a short skirt that some of the men wear under their pants. Most of the men just wear the long dress that comes to their knees with no pants whatever. The women's dress has a very long and full skirt.

There is a three hundred twenty acre reservation in Florida for these Seminoles who stayed there, but only a few of them are on it. They have an Indian Agent there, too. They are not taxed but most of them manage to own a delapidated Ford. Some make the Seminole dolls to sell and all pick beans for a quarter or thirty cents a hamper.