

T-428-1 (First of Three Interviews)  
TOM CAPTAIN, EASTERN SHAWNEE  
INTERVIEWED BY: PEGGY DYCUS  
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GENERAL SUBJECT: LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS AND RELATED SUBJECTS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

EARLY LIFE OF TOM CAPTAIN  
OWNED THE STORE 20 YEARS  
QUIT SCHOOL TO HELP WITH FARMING  
EARLY DAY SETTLERS - NAMES  
EARLY DAY TRADING POINTS  
OTHER TRIBES LOCATED IN THE AREA  
CHILDHOOD MEMORIES OF FIVE MODOC WOMEN SITTING ON LOG  
MORE ABOUT TRADING POSTS  
MINERAL MINES AND THE EFFECT ON HEALTH OF MINERS  
EXPERIENCES WITH QUAPAW PONIES  
EARLY DAY OPEN RANGE FOR LIVESTOCK  
INDIAN AGENCY  
TRIBAL TREATIES AND LAND ALLOTMENTS  
REORGANIZATION OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS WHILE CHIEF  
MORE ABOUT ORGANIZATION  
FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP AMONG TRIBES  
INDIAN POLICE AND ONE INCIDENT  
JAILS AND COURT TRIALS  
OWNED TWO FERRIES AT ONE TIME

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Tom Captain was born in December 1884. He attended school at the Old Quapaw Mission at Wyandotte and one year at Haskell Institute. Mr. Captain has been a farmer, horse rancher and now owns a store in Miami, Oklahoma. At one time he was chief of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe.

Remarks: Fay Captain and an unidentified man are present and participate in this interview.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Julian Bluejacket, Eastern Shawnee  
Rosa Kisse, Eastern Shawnee