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AGNES BURNETT, POTAWATOMI

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GENERAL SUBJECT: LIFE HISTORY MATERIALS AND RELATED SUBJECTS;
LIFE AMONG KAW INDIANS FOR MANY YEARS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

EARLY LIFE HISTORY

THE KAW INDIANS RENTED THEIR LAND TO WHITE CATTLEMEN

THE KAW INDIANS DID NOT FARM BUT DID RAISE GARDENS

FIRST CELEBRATION IN NEWKIRK - WENT IN WAGON DRAWN
BY OXEN

SAW MANY INDIANS AT CELEBRATION

EARLY DAY INDIANS DRESS CUSTOMS AND HAIR STYLE

KAW TRIBE BOUGHT HORSES FROM WHITE TRADERS

UNCLE JIM WAS DESIGNATED AUTHORITY TO GET EAGLE
FEATHERS

AUNT LIZZIE WAS A MEDICINE WOMAN

SCHOOLS - MISSIONS - EDUCATION

HORSE RACING - PLAY CARDS FOR PAST TIME

INDIANS PREFER HORSES - NO USE FOR OXEN

RELIGIONS AMONG THE KAWS

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Agnes Burnett was born March 30, 1874. She came to Indian Territory from Kansas and settled near what is now Newkirk, Oklahoma in 1909 and has lived in this same area since that time. Although Mrs. Burnett is Potawatomi, she has lived among the Kaws and associated more with them than her own tribe.