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WILLIAM SHAWNEE, SHAWNEE

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GENERAL SUBJECT: LOYAL SHAWNEE LEADER; INTEREST IN DANCING AND CEREMONIAL SINGING; TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE TO DANCE; DANCED STUDIED AND LEARNED QUAPAW SONGS

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

PERSONAL HISTORY
DANCES AND CEREMONIES
SINGER OF QUAPAW SONGS
SINGS SONG WITH RUBY DIEBOLD

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

William "Bill" Shawnee is a member of the Loyal Shawnee group. He is a wonderful ceremonial leader, taking part in the Quapaw and Seneca sings. He lives near Grove, Oklahoma and attends Shawnee Tribal meetings at White Oak. Mr. Shawnee is considered an outstanding singer in northeastern Oklahoma. His son, Jerome Shawnee is head of the Loyal Shawnee Tribal Council at White Oak.

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Ruby Diebold, Seneca-Cayuga
Mary Lane Red Eagle, Quapaw
Language Class, Seneca.
Ruby Diebold, Speaker
Emelece Reynolds, Cherokee
Language Class, Seneca
Robert White, Speaker