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BILL CONNOR, QUAPAW

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GENERAL SUBJECT: KACHINA DOLLS AND THEIR HISTORY

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

JEWELRY MAKING

\SILVERWORK

KACHINA DOLLS

APACHE FIRE DANCE OR MEDICINE DANCE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Bill Connor was born February 24, 1924. Mr. Connor is an expert craftsman and artist. He makes authentic Kachina dolls and also does carving, leather work and silver work. He is married to a white woman and they live near Miami, Oklahoma. His work will be shown in Washington, D.C. this year.

Note: The last portion of this interview consists of the playing of the recording that Mr. Connor made at the Quapaw Pow-wow July 4, celebration, of the Apache Fire Dance (Ft. Sill Apache), or the Mountain Spirit Dance with one of the leaders telling the story of the dance.

(A picture of Mr. Connor and story by Field Worker Velma Neiberding is attached to this manuscript.)