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(When were you born?)

1881.

(Where were you born?)

Mount Scott. About three miles north of Mount Scott.

(Were you born in a Kiowa camp or what?

Grandfather's place.

(What kind of a place?

It was a government house.

(Was it one of those two room houses and how many rooms?)

August the twenty-six, 1881.

(Were you in a tipi or a house?

In a tipi.

(Who else was there when he was born?)

(Did your mother and father tell you who was there?)

My mother and my great-grandma. And of course there were other women to help my mother.

(Was this common at this time to have women helping?)

Oh yes. Oh yeah the kinfolk.

(Did they pay these women to help them?)

Some of them give something. They believe it you if you give them something to eat. You pay for it you know. The price was great when the parents give to the ones that helped. They believed, well they have their own beliefs.

(What would they pay and what would they give?)

Anything you want to give. You can give a horse, a blanket, a buffalo