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CHARLES TARTSAH, KIOWA-APACHE
INTERVIEWED BY: DAVID JONES
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GENERAL SUBJECT: TRADITIONAL HISTORY OF KIOWA-APACHE AND KIOWA TRIBES.

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

EARLY LIFE OF THE INDIANS - BAD SICKNESS EPIDEMIC

MOVING THEIR CAMPING GROUNDS

SUN DANCE

GETTING ALONG WITH THE MEXICANS

MOVING AGAIN

OBTAINING THEIR FOOD AND SUPPLIES

FAMILY REMINISCENCES

HISTORY WANTED FOR NEWSPAPER

EDUCATION OF THE INDIANS

BLACKFOOT SOCIETIES

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Charles Tartsah was born in 1900 in the vicinity of the present Hog Creek Community where he has lived all his life. On his mother's side he is the descendant of Mexican captives who were adopted into the Kiowa tribe. His father was Kiowa-Apache and Charles is enrolled as a Kiowa-Apache. However his father died when Charles was only a year old and Charles was raised by his Kiowa mother and her people and thus speaks Kiowa fluently. Charles attended the St. Patrick's Mission School, just west of Anadarko.