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GUY QUOETONE, KIOWA

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GENERAL SUBJECT:

LIFE IN THE RESERVATION DAYS: INDIAN POLICE, WHITE TRESPASSERS,  
TRADING POSTS, ETC.

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

INDIAN POLICE AND THEIR DUTIES

HOW OWLHEAD CREEK WAS NAMED

WHITE PEOPLE CROSSING THE RESERVATION AND HOW INDIANS CHARGED  
THEM FOR OVERNIGHT CAMPING

TRADING AT CHICKASHA AND THE FIRST TIME GUY SAW A TRAIN  
TRESPASSERS ON THE RESERVATION--CATTLEMEN AND HORSE THIEVES

HOW POLANT, A KIOWA MAN, WAS KILLED BY COWBOYS

MORE ON TRESPASSERS AND HOW INDIAN POLICE CAPTURED A MAN WANTED  
FOR STEALING MERCHANDISE FROM A TRADING POST

TENT VILLAGE SET UP NEAR PRESENT MEERS DURING GOLD RUSH IN  
WICHITA MOUNTAINS

STORY ABOUT CATTLE RUSTLER CAPTURED FROM INDIAN POLICE AND HANGED  
BY COWBOYS

WHISKEY TRADING AND GAMBLING IN INDIAN CAMPS

ARROW GAMES PLAYED BY MEN

BETTING

HOW MEDICINE BUNDLES WERE KEPT

MORE ON GAMBLING

STORY ABOUT HAITSEKE'S GRANDSON FALLING OUT OF A TREE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Guy Quoetone was born October 15, 1886. He is a Methodist minister, now retired, and has been active in church work for many years. He is also a student of Kiowa history, having been interested in listening to stories told by the old-timers about life and happenings in the old days. He has written notes and articles concerning many of these happenings as he remembers them or heard them from other Kiowas. He attended Methvin Institute in Anadarko, and is well educated for his generation, and encouraged all his children to get higher education. He worked in the Indian Police, with surveying crews, and in various positions at the Agency, and has been active in tribal business most of his life. At the time of these interviews he was alert, articulate, and had an excellent memory for details such as names, dates, and general background of events. He is hard of hearing and sometimes misunderstands questions or must have them repeated. He speaks Kiowa fluently but also has a good command of the English language.