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BIOGRAPHY FORM

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Field Worker's name Ophelia D. Vestal

This report made on (date) November 16, 1938

1. Name Mrs. Adeline Aparty

2. Post Office Address Catcho, Oklahoma.

3. Residence address (or location) 4 miles S. W. of Catcho, Rt. #1.

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month May Day 20 Year 1901

5. Place of birth Comanche County.

6. Name of Father Habee Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Other information about father \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Other information about mother \_\_\_\_\_

Notes or complete narrative by the field worker dealing with the life and story of the person interviewed. Refer to Manual for suggested subjects and questions. Continue on blank sheets if necessary and attach firmly this form. Number of sheets attached 2.

Opheelia D. Vestal  
Investigator  
November 16, 1937

Interview with Adeline Aputy,  
Comanche Indian,  
Cache, Oklahoma.

I was born May 20, 1901, here in Comanche County. My father and mother both died just one week apart and I was just a few weeks old. They were both Comanche Indians.

During the months of March, April and May of 1901, small pox broke out, and this caused my parents' death. It seems to me, as I heard the older Indians talk, that the Indians lived in groups or bands. This group that my parents lived with were settled about twelve miles west of Lawton on a creek now known as Blue Beaver.

My Aunt, Mrs. Pattiaker, took me when my parents died to her home and cared for me until I grew to be a big girl and married. I can never thank my aunt for what she did for me. Anyone that knows her will say, her home has always been open to anyone who wants to live there.

I attended school at Fort Sill Indian School and finished the 7th and 8th grades at Bascom, Muskogee, Oklahoma. In the schools I didn't have a chance to make my own money as the boys and girls do nowadays. But for pastime the girls learned to

make beads and different kinds of bead work.

Sometimes I make my pin money by making bead belts.

The ones I make over I get \$5.00 and the ones I make I get \$3.00.

I was married to George Aputy. He is 38 years old and is a full blood Kiowa. We have seven children. Four are in the Fort Sill Indian school and three at home. All of the children speak English well.

My husband works for white people some. We have taught our children to "take care" and "work". We try to raise turkeys to help make a living. We have our own home, but all have to work and save.

In the school our boy and girls have their own crops, gardens and poultry. When any money is received from their work they are given checks. This encourages the children lots.

Our method of doctoring was with herbs. My aunt would find but she never would show us younger children. Now we go to the doctors at the Fort Sill Indian hospital.

Years ago when I was small the Indians did not go through a marriage ceremony as now. The father and mother would decide if the man that was to marry their daughter, was honest, would

treat their daughter right, and that he had enough to provide a good living for her. If he suited the parents, he could take the daughter and live with her. He didn't have to pay for her.

I am a member of Deyo Mission Church, but don't get to go very often. Though we have a good minister now, all will remember Mr. Deyo.