

MS 4125 Wichita texts and interlinear English; Kichai translations of 4 Wichita texts; and Wichita and Kichai vocabularies

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#### **Collection Overview**

Repository: National Anthropological Archives

Title: MS 4125 Wichita texts and interlinear English; Kichai translations of 4

Wichita texts; and Wichita and Kichai vocabularies

Identifier: NAA.MS4125

**Date:** April-November, 1919

Extent: 481 Pages

Creator: Swanton, John Reed, 1873-1958

Caley, Jose giwakodadaka Old Man Yellowbird

Wits

Hadden, John

Language: Undetermined

#### **Administrative Information**

#### Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

Kichai informants: Josie Caley, Old Man Yellowbird, and "Wits and wife." John Hadden was the interpreter with Jose Caley. No Wichita informants are named by Swanton, but the informant for a Wichita version of a Pawnee story is recorded as saying that the "name of Old Pawnee who told him the story [was] giwakodadaka."

## Biographical / Historical

The location and date of the collection of this material is mentioned in Bureau of American Ethnology-AR 40, page 5, and Bureau of American Ethnology-AR 41, page 7.

#### Scope and Contents

Includes Autograph Document (carbon copy) 96 pages. The Wichita texts are entitled, "Wichita Stories," and, except the first, numbered with Roman numerals (II-X). Each of the 10 sections is apparently a separate story, because each begins with an introductory formula. The Kichai translations of four of these

Wichita stories are given numbers corresponding to the 4 Wichita stories. Each Kichai translation has an accompanying carbon copy. The vocabularies include separate Kichai and Wichita word lists and phrases as well as a short comparative vocabulary of the two. There is also 1 sheet containing words in other Indian languages as well as Wichita and Kichai.

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#### **Local Note**

The last 5 Wichita texts, the Kichai translations, and a 16 page Kichai vocabulary were formerly filed under Manuscript Number 4137. They were added to Manuscript Number 4125 as of 6/1970.

#### **Local Note**

autograph document

#### Other Title

Wichita Stories

# Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

#### Subjects:

Caddo

Indians of North America -- Great Plains

Keeche Indians

Kichai

Language and languages -- Documentation

Wichita Indians

#### Cultures:

Caddo

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