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- Jerry Quinn, aged 64, grandson of Papaschase, tells of what happened to the Papaschase Reserve.

The man I will now talk to will give us some information regarding the Papaschase reserve which was located here where Edmonton now is located.

Richard: You can now give me your name, age and birthplace.

Jerry: My name is Jerry Quinn, I was born in 1911 on November 23. I'll be 64 years old in the fall. What I want to talk about is my grandfather's reserve. We are very few who are now living, which were connected with it. I'm the only one living, but there are many of my relatives. I have no brothers or sisters I'm alone. I do have an uncle who is alive. He lives at Fishing Lake, his name is Jimmie Gladue. That is what I wanted to straighten out because my grandfather didn't give away his reserve; he did not sell it. They left the reserve when the soldiers first arrived here. He just loaned it out, that is what I was told by the old people. He said, "In the future when my grandchildren inquire about the reserve you may turn it over to them. That is how I want to leave it for them." So that is why I made a trip to Edmonton, I've worked on this for quite a while now, but today I am talking about it here. Many Indians know about it. I think all the people on the surrounding reserves know about it, that I have family

ties there, he was my grandfather. Papaschase was my grandfather. That is all I can tell you today.

Richard: How is that he was your grandfather?

Jerry: He was my fathers' dad. His name was Papaschase. He was the chief on that reserve. He was the chief and three others who were councillors were also grandfathers of mine during that time. There was one who was a councillor who wasn't from there, his name O-kin-nee, his name was Francis Gladue. This period I'm talking about, there was an interpreter whose name was Johnnie Folley. He was the interpreter there when they lived across the river where it is now South Edmonton.

Richard: What were the names of the three councillors you mentioned, do you remember?

Jerry: Yes, one was William another was Edward, and there was also Charlie and Francis Gladue.

Richard: Were they all named Gladue?

Jerry: Yes, they were all Gladue, but there is one thing that I cannot find out, I will mention it here. We use Quinn and some use Gladue, my grandfather used Gladue and we use Quinn. I

don't know how that works. But I've heard my father say that his younger brothers were using their grandmother's name. Maybe that is true, maybe that is what happened and that is all I can say for now.

Richard: Are you a treaty Indian?

Jerry: No, I live on a colony.

Richard: You never received treaty?

Jerry: No, I never received treaty money. I was born after Papaschase left the reserve. That is why I don't receive treaty money. We have been just cast aside, along the roadside so to speak. It is like someone who doesn't know in which direction to turn, that is the position we are now in.

Richard: Is it your conviction that you should be receiving treaty money?

Jerry: Yes, that is the way it should be.

Richard: How many brothers and sisters do you have?

Jerry: They are all dead, I'm the only one left, but I do have cousins. Papaschase is also their grandfather. There were many from his side of the family. There are also many from his cousins.

Richard: You said he loaned out his reserve?

Jerry: Yes, that is what was said, he loaned it out he did not sell it. He said, "In the future when my grandchildren ask for it, then you will return it to them." That is when he left. I don't think I can tell you very much more for now, but I am not alone, there are a large number of people who are closely related who had family ties to that reserve. But in my family I'm the only one alive, so I'm the only person trying to do something about it.

Richard: Did you ever see written documents regarding this matter?

Jerry: I did see a map. Papaschase reserve was almost 40 square miles in area. I had that map but now I don't. There was a lawyer who was looking at it, and I asked for it but I never got it back. I was going to show it to you people.

Richard: Who is it you are referring to?

Jerry: Tommy McKenio is his name, he has an office here in town.

Richard: Is he a white man?

Jerry: Yes, he is, he comes from Lac la Biche. One would know more after he looked at that map. That is my story. To prove my point I have for keepsake a pipe which belonged to my grandfather Papaschase. I still have it, it used to belong to his dad. That pipe still exists, now I will in turn give it to my sons so they too can pass it down so it will always exist. That is how we protected it, that is how it was protected in the past. Those are the words of honesty as I have the pipe to prove it and everybody knows it; that pipe is very old. That is all I can say for now.

Richard: You mentioned a name Joe Paul, who is he?

Jerry: He is my cousin, he too has family background there, he lives here in Edmonton. He has ties there through his father.

Richard: You said Papaschase left the reserve, where did he go?

Jerry: They moved to Umskwa-chee, most of them I think too entered Winterburn (Enoch). One was Big James and the other was Lapotak, I think it was James Lapotak's dad. They transferred into that reserve. In the meantime my grandfather moved to Umskwa-chee as it was known, they made their way to Beaver Lake and they made their home there. That is where they all died off. That is what happened, nobody had bothered or investigated them when they left the reserve here.

Richard: Did you ever see the reserve?

Jerry: No, I never did.

Richard: Just to be certain where was it located?

Jerry: They all know, they wouldn't lose track of it. So this is why I'm here, I met with Harold before lunch. I told him the same thing, the only thing I forgot to mention was that about the lawyer. I told you I was listening to the lawyer talking, so they said for \$30,000 they would make the deal. Why should we give them more money as they already benefitted from that reserve?

Richard: Who are these people?

Jerry: The Enoch band. Joe Ward was the chief at the time, when they took the money. He was asked about Papaschase's family, to see if there were any of them living. He just brushed his hands together and said, "They are all dead, that is how he got it." But I was told that this would not be difficult to check. The man was Gibson, he was an agent and a clerk too but he must be very old now. I think the last place where he was at was Rocky Mountain House. He should be very knowledgeable about this matter.

Richard: Was this a part of their doing?

Jerry: I'm almost certain of that. He is the one that told me, "Your money has all been taken." He (Gibson) was certain that I should belong to treaty. At my age I haven't yet received treaty. I'm 64 now.

Richard: Did your father receive treaty?

Jerry: Sure, because they were from that reserve, my mother too. They were married from Beaver Lake and they were treaty. But we were not treaty, maybe they quit treaty, I don't know what they did.

Richard: Where did your dad make his home?

Jerry: They were all there at Beaver Lake, next to the reserve.

Richard: Is that Beaver Lake you are talking about?

Jerry: Yes, but not in the reserve. That is where they all died off.

Richard: Is your father dead and how old was he when he died?

Jerry: I was about 15 years old, he would have been 69 or 68 years old. My mother died about 25 years ago.

Richard: Was she still treaty?

Jerry: No, she wasn't treaty. As long as I can remember she never received treaty. She had met my dad at Beaver Lake. My uncles also married there. One of my uncles is still alive at Fishing Lake, his name is Jimmie Gladue. That councillor I

mentioned, his name was Charlie, he is Jimmie's father, he was one of the youngest.

Richard: When you said your father left the reserve here, is that when they last received money?

Jerry: They never came back here and they never received any more money. They just moved away. They trapped through the area east of here, that is what it showed on the map, it was almost 40 square miles in area. I'm not sure if it included the land which is still open, I mean that park east of here. It was adjacent to the park. It is somewhere along there. Joe Paul could also give you some information. Because we were working together on this, but this is what I know about it. He would give you the same story. I think the people transferred to Enoch when my grandfather was in the bush up north.

Richard: Was there another Chief there?

Jerry: No, my grandfather was alone. Joe Paul could tell you the same thing. Many people disagree with me or are against me but I'm working on this myself. Because we probably have more right to it. He was my dad's father, my grandfather.

Richard: Did you know where he came from originally?

Jerry: I think he came from Winnipeg. Your dad should also know something about this. For now that is all I can tell you.

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