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Interview with Mrs. W. W. Paxton.
Mangum, Oklahoma.

A native of Palo Pinto County, Texas, Mrs. Paxton came to Greer County in 1887, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Goar, who located at the present site of the town of Eldorado.

Her father was a sheep man in the Eldorado section. He lived at Eldorado until after statehood, when he founded the town of Sentinel. He was struck by lightning and burned up in a barn near the Deer Creek schoolhouse in 1917.

William M. Paxton died in 1917 and Mrs. Paxton died in 1926.

Their sons who came to Greer County with them in 1888 and 1889 are prominent and useful citizens of the communities in which they reside. B. C. Paxton has been a rural mail carrier at Jester for more than twenty years. Guyde Paxton has been a mail carrier at Granite for many years. Ernest C. Paxton was a prominent citizen of Greer County

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for a long time, but now resides at Amarillo, Texas, where he operates a successful business. Temple F. Paxton is a progressive farmer at Jester community.

William M. Paxton, head of this family, was naturally a pioneer - "a sod buster". He was never satisfied until he came to Greer County, where he found peace and contentment for the twenty-nine declining years of his long life.

A native of Maryland, Mr. Paxton served in the Union Army during the Civil War, but he never talked about his war experience and when any mention was made of the Civil War he always declared he wanted to forget it.