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BIOGRAPHY FORM  
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Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

Worker's name Alson J. Chase  
report made on (date) July 16, 1937

Name Samuel Austin Pollock  
Post Office Address Woodward, Oklahoma.  
Residence address (or location) 1903 Fourth Street  
DATE OF BIRTH: Month April Day 8 Year 1850  
Place of birth Holt County, Missouri.

Name of Father \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Other information about father \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Other information about mother \_\_\_\_\_

or complete narrative by the field worker dealing with the life and  
of the person interviewed. Refer to Manual for suggested subjects  
questions. Continue on blank sheets if necessary and attach firmly to  
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Samuel Austin Pollock came from Missouri in 1892 and located in the Cheyenne Agency - where the town of Cheyenne now is - in Foger Mills County.

Mr. Pollock bought one hundred and sixty acres of land, gave \$75.00 for it and then leased a lot. He had three sections in all, and went into the cattle business.

He hauled lumber from Canadian, Texas, and built a house 24 x 24.

He did some farming, raising feed for his stock.

Mr. Pollock drove his cattle to Woodward, which was about seventy-five miles, and shipped them from there to Kansas City. He lived there until 1900, when he moved to Woodward County and located north of the town on the North Canadian River.

He moved two hundred and fifty cattle from Cheyenne to Woodward, overland, fording the South Canadian. When he reached the river, it was up, but he drove the cattle in anyway, and every one of the cattle went under. They were all out of sight at once, but they all managed to get out. At one time he had one thousand head of cattle.

He lived on his Woodward County ranch until 1910, when he sold out and moved to Woodward where he still lives.

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For a few years he dealt in real estate, but at present is just a retired rancher.

During the time Mr. Pollock lived at Cheyenne, a white man killed a Cheyenne Indian. The white population was about 150 people. The shooting occurred at noon and as soon as they heard about it all of the white people were afraid and all but three left town. The man who did the shooting was thrown in jail and Mr. Pollock was deputized to get in the jail and guard the prisoner. There were between 3000 or 4000 Indians camped on the south side of town and when they heard of the killing they came in "on the war path," but since everyone had left town there were no further killings.