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BIOGRAPHY FORM  
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Indian-Pioneer History Project for OklahomaField Worker's name Charles H. HoltThis report made on (date) October 26, 19371. Name Wm. Henry Harrison2. Post Office Address Hominy3. Residence address (or location) West 1st Street4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month -- Day -- Year 18615. Place of birth Texas6. Name of Father William Harrison Place of birth TennesseeOther information about father Civil War Veteran7. Name of Mother Sarah Hood Place of birth Alabama

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 to this form. Number of sheets attached 3.

Interview with William Henry Harrison  
Hominy, Oklahoma

Field Worker - Charles H. Holt  
Indian-Pioneer History,

William Henry Harrison was born in Texas in 1861 and came to the Territory in 1881. Since he was a bachelor, he did not locate permanently for some time.

He was a good horse-man, as his father in Texas had farmed and freighted all the time William Henry Harrison was growing up, so his first job in the Territory was working for Chauncey Owens at Tulsa.

Chauncey Owens was a "Squaw man" and did freighting mostly for the Government.

Harrison made many trips in almost every direction out of Tulsa. After driving for Owens for several months he went to work for Jake Bartles at Bartlesville.

Bartles operated a store and a freight line at Bartlesville and Harrison hauled freight for several years for Bartles. He remembers very well

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hauling the first show case that came to Bartlesville. It was used in Jake Bartles store and every one thought it was a great addition to the store. Bartles had the first and only store at that time in Bartlesville. Harrison had <sup>made</sup> many trips into the Osage Nation in his freighting for Bartles, so he decided to quit Bartles and move to Hominy.

After moving to Hominy, he farmed for a number of years, and recalls being on top of a stray stack threshing when he heard the news of President Garfield's death.

He farmed near Hominy until his age caused him to discontinue farming. He now lives in Hominy.