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orthwest 23rd Street West of
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dr. Ryan, Carter County, Doctor,
March 1, 1857
Mrs. Ryan, Sedalia, Missouri

Mr. Ryan, Father; Mrs. Ryan
Mrs. Ryan, Father's name, Mrs. Clark

J. A. Ryan, was born in Carter County, Doctor,

March 1, 1857, in a cabin, in a hollow. For

several years before this he had been a trapper.

He married his wife, Fox, in 1876.

He had a small family of children and practiced as a doctor
here. In 1876 he came to the territory of the Town in 1876,

settling here before the gold strike.

They had no horses or mules at that time.

They settled in Muskogee, in Muskogee County near Fort Gibson,

Oklahoma.

In order to own land in the territory it was necessary for
us to get a permit to do so. We built houses there but were not
permitted to own the property. Cattle roamed in the country then.

We would lease the property from the government or Indians. Most
of the Indians around there were mixtures of Indian and whites. These
leases were from five to ten years, and some for nearly a life time,
being renewed from time to time.

The country seemed none other than a back wood country or

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front country. Out of those, who were new settlers, were inter-married with the Indians. There was a small band of Indians settled in the bend of the river; while most of the full blood Indians were scattered over the Chickasaw country. The country was nearly all prairie, containing the sort of soil a few gardens.

1915, along the country border East of the town from

April 1, 1861. I awoke into the day. At 9 A.M. the grain yard took
a fire at the corner of California and Madison streets. It was
very destructive, especially of pictures, effect, more or less entirely
burned up. There is no such fire and yell as in Kentucky.
The grain yard is now under fire and smoke of incendiary
explosives, and the smoke is so dense that it obscures the sun.

They informed me of the contents of the old

trail but I refused. John Chisholm was buried at Puris, Texas.
Mr. [illegible], an old friend of John Chisholm, deceased, who came to the
Texas centennial, visiting the grave of Chisholm, indicated that
farmers should be placed in the high prairie region, into Laris, Texas,
to the grave of Chisholm. Mr. Chisholm opened up all the trails from
Texas to Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and on to Canada, did as much to
develop the state of Texas as any other work. He was known throughout
the country and by all the rail road heads for his work.

F. B. Park states that the burial plot of Chisholm is

situated south of West Sherman Street, between State Avenue and South Division Street, and is overgrown with underbrush, Johnson grass, weeds and other vegetation; the lot is now a hobo "jungle", discarded cans, rubbish and other material is scattered about the property. The brush is so dense that it is hard to discern the lead stones from street though only a few yards distant.

Mr. F.L. Ark went to Montana in the cattle business in 1867. made frequent trips to Canada in early "kinetics", and in 1892 became a citizen there in order to buy ranch of his own. He now lives in the "Rocky Mountain" region near Calgary, Alberta. He helped hunt last herd of wild buffalo in the United States that was selected by the Canadian government.

There was little or no disturbance by Indians around
Oklahoma City. except charivari it had all the farmers from west
of the City rushing to town one evening, fearing the Indians and
Comanches from around Hatch and Oklawaha were taking a raid on the
City. They later discovered the gun shooting and kills ringing
were the group charivaring a newly wedded couple.

The Cheyenne and Arapahoes were peaceful at Oklahoma when first opened soon divided themselves into two groups. After the coming there was a dispute over the laying out of the town. South called themselves the Kickapoos and North called themselves the Seminoles. They would have gatherings and the orators, or those that called themselves orators, would get up and talk to the crowd about how the town should be laid out for business section and for residence. Main street was the dividing line between those two rival parties. The

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