

LEGEND & STORY FORM
WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION
Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

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HUNTER, THOMAS W. SECOND INTERVIEW.

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Field worker's name Hazel B. Greene

This report made on (date) October 18, 1937

Hugo, Oklahoma

1. This legend was secured from (name) Judge Thomas W. Hunter.

Address County Judge of Choctaw County, Hugo, Oklahoma.

This person is (male or female) White, Negro, Indian,

If Indian, give tribe About 1/2 Choctaw Indian

2. Origin and history of legend or story Choctaw Tribe.

3. Write out the legend or story as completely as possible. Use blank sheets and attach firmly to this form. Number of sheets attached 1.

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Interview with Judge Thomas W. Hunter.
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There was a legend among the Choctaw people that God made a huge pool of water, and then commanded all of his people to bathe in the pool. The first ones who went through, came out white. The next ones came out yellow and brown, as the water grew dirtier, and the last ones who went through the pool came out black. And that accounts for the different colors of the white, Indian and Negro races.

Judge Hunter said that he had heard old Indians tell that story, when he was a child.