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Field Worker's name John F. Daugherty

This report made on (date) January 24, 1938

1. Name Logan Hunt

2. Post Office Address Roff, Oklahoma

3. Residence address (or location) Pontotoc County

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month November Day 7 Year 1866

5. Place of birth Missouri

6. Name of Father R. Hunt Place of birth Missouri

Other information about father Bockkeeper

7. Name of Mother Mary Bracher Place of birth Missouri

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 2.

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John F. Daugherty,
Investigator,
January 24, 1938.

An Interview with Mr. Logan Hunt,
Reff, Oklahoma.

Father was R. Hunt, born in 1841, in Missouri. He was a bookkeeper. Mother was Mary Bracher Hunt, born in Missouri, in 1844. There were six children in our family. I was born in Missouri, November 7, 1866.

I came to the Indian Territory in 1879, and settled near Pauls Valley. I rented land from Tecumseh A. McClure, who was a half-brother of Sam Paul. Mr. McClure was born in Mississippi and came with his mother to the Indian Territory when the Chickasaws were moved. They came with the first group. He was a great hunter and in the late eighties he started building a deer park on his land near Pauls Valley. I left there and don't know whether he ever stocked it with many deer or not. He was elected to the Chickasaw Senate in 1886, and became the president of that body.

I helped drive hogs to Lehigh for shipment. We had

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a wagon to put those in that became too tired or hot. We also had a chuck wagon, but the hog herders had to walk. It took about ten days to make the trip. The hogs had to be driven very slowly. They would lie down and sleep at night. That gave us a chance to rest. We received five cents a pound for them.

The first year I farmed for Mr. McClure I couldn't plant the sod as it should be, so I took an ax and cut it up the best I could and planted corn in the cut out places, and I raised a good crop of corn. The soil was very fertile, and when we planted anything we always got returns for labor. Before the Santa Fe was built there was no market for corn. Grass was plentiful and people didn't have to feed much corn.

When the Santa Fe was built the first ties were just poles cut from the timber along the right-of-way. They filled in with railroad ties after the road was opened.

I freighted for the Miller and Grant store at Pauls Valley from Denison, Texas.

I have never married. I have lived in Roff for twenty years.