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Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

SPENCER, F. A.

INTERVIEW

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Jimmie Birdwell

Field Worker's name \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Name F. A. Spencer

2. Post Office Address Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

3. Residence address (or location) 1721 Northwest 38

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

5. Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

6. Name of Father \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Jimmie Birdwell,  
Investigator,  
February 15, 1938.

An Interview with Mr. F. A. Spencer,  
1721 Northwest 38, Oklahoma City,  
Oklahoma.

My house, the first one to be built on the old Davenport townsite, was built of logs chinked with clay and part of the townsite was my farm.

My wife taught the first school in Davenport. It was taught in my house and she was paid \$1.00 per month for each of the fifty pupils.

I was the first County Assessor of Lincoln County and was also in the big outlaw fight at Ingalls.

When I built my house at Davenport I also built a big storm cave to keep our supply of food in.

I had a big spring for water and I put a box in it which was used for keeping milk and butter in.

We did not clean up much through the week but on Sunday the women would put on their best, which would be mostly calico, and the men wore waist band overalls.

It was a pretty wild country around there and there was lots of wild game. A man could go out in one of the little creek bottoms and kill a wagon load of game.