

STRETER, MELTON

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Field Worker's name Jimmie Birdwell

This report made on (date) December 9, 1937.

1. Name Melton Streter

2. Post Office Address Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

3. Residence address (or location) 525 southeast 14th

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month June Day 10 Year 1871

5. Place of birth Missouri

6. Name of Father Melton Streter Place of birth Indiana

Other information about father _____

7. Name of Mother Rose Henshaw 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 questions and questions. Continue on blank sheets if necessary and attach firmly to this form. Number of sheets attached 1.

An Interview with Melton Streter, Oklahoma City.

By - Jimmie Birdwell - Investigator.

December 9, 1937.

I came into Oklahoma in 1890 by wagon; I had heard from a man who had been in Oklahoma that it was a good farming and grass country. This man had also told me about a place that he had ridden through and what a fine cattle range it was, so I loaded up and lit out.

The place I was headed for was a big bend in the South Canadian River something like fifty miles south and a little east of Woodward. After I got there I found that the place was not what I had been told it was; it was hilly and altogether too rough to farm on a big scale. I got hold of some land to farm but it was in small lots.

I built up a pretty good herd of range cattle. I had to go to Woodward to buy supplies; it took me three days to go and come back.

I usually sold cattle at Woodward in small bunches; there was a ferry near me but I hardly ever crossed the river.