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This report made on (date) January 6-7 1938

1. Name Mollie Boulton McIntosh

2. Post Office Address Checotah, Oklahoma

3. Residence address (or location) _____

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month April Day 15 Year 1860

5. Place of birth Smith County, Tennessee

6. Name of Father _____ Place of birth _____

Other information about father _____

7. Name of Mother Eliza Boulton Place of birth Tennessee

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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An Interview with Mollie Boulton McIntosh
Checotah, Oklahoma.

My name is Mollie Boulton McIntosh. I was born in Smith County, Tennessee, April 15, 1860. I was married to Cheesie McIntosh, a three-quarter Creek Indian on December 9, 1879. We have four children; Freeland now living with me in Checotah; Van A., Daniel N. and Waldo E., all living in Oklahoma. They were all born in Tennessee. I am seventy-eight years old and I am white.

Cheesie McIntosh, my husband, was prominent in the Creek tribe. His great great grandfather was a noted chief among the Creeks from 1800 to 1825. He signed the treaty for the Creeks in 1814, giving certain lands to the Government. He also signed another in 1818, giving more land to the Government. He had a Creek, Cherokee, and a white wife. He commanded an army in 1813 under General Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812. He owned slaves and was a real leader of the Creek Indians. This man had a son, ~~William McIntosh~~, who was Chief of the lower Creeks in Georgia. Colonel D. McIntosh, son of William McIntosh, was my husband's father. He served in the Civil War under General Stand Wetie. Colonel Chilli McIntosh, uncle of my husband, was also prominent in the Indian Territory.

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My husband's brother, Freeland, was a member of the Creek House of Warriors. Col. D. N. McIntosh was representative of the Creek Nation and went to Washington on several occasions. He was also chief of the Creek Nation. He died in 1875. He had three sisters; Susen McIntosh Rogers, now living in Muskogee; Hettie West, and Delilah Drew of Jefferson, Texas.

My husband's name was Albert Galatan McIntosh but he was known as Cheesie McIntosh; ^{he was} born in Indian Territory on January 27, 1848, and died at Chectohah, August 9, 1915. He went to Jefferson, Texas, to school in 1862 and spent six years there; then returned to Indian Territory and remained here for six years; then he went to Smith County, Tennessee, where I met him and we were married in 1879.

~~My husband practiced law in Tennessee until 1904~~
when he returned to Checotah and was placed on the Creek Indian rolls in 1901. We settled about nine miles from Checotah. The county was named for the McIntoshes.

Cheesie McIntosh served as a member of the Statehood Convention held in Muskogee in 1905. He was appointed superintendent of schools of the Creek Nation prior to statehood.

In 1907, after statehood, he was elected superintendent of the schools of McIntosh County, which position he held until 1911. He practiced law in Checotah until his death in 1915.

His son, J. E. McIntosh, is now practicing law at Miami.

My husband was a three-quarter Indian, one-half Creek and one-quarter Cherokee.

There are a great many McIntoshes in Oklahoma as this family has been prominent in the development of Oklahoma.
