

RALLS, JOE

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LEGEND & STORY FORM

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Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

Field worker's name Joe Southern

This report made on (date) Oct. 25 and 26th 1937

Atoka, Atoka County, Oklahoma.

1. This legend was secured from (name) Joe Ralls

address Atoka, Oklahoma.

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

If Indian, give tribe Choctaw.

2. Origin and history of legend or story Early day newspapers

when established along M. K. T. R. R. in what is now Oklahoma.

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

Joe Southern
Investigator
10-26-37

An interview with Joe Ralls,
Atoka, Oklahoma.
A Choctaw by blood.

In 1890 and 1895 there were very few newspapers
along the railroad. All of those that appeared were
weekly newspapers.

uskoree had two newspapers which are as follows:

The uskoree Phoenix, with T. C. Hubbard as editor,
established in 1877. Subscription was \$1.50 per year.

Our Brother in Fece, with Rev. F. Moore as editor,
was established in 1881. Subscription was \$1.25 per year.

Coal and Iron The Independent, with Geo. E. Mann as
editor, established in 1885.

Lehigh had the Lehigh-Coal and Iron Leader, with
Covington as editor. Established in 1885.

1890, Vinita had the Vinita Globe, with J. Steward
as editor.

1890, Vinita also had the Chieftain Publishing Co.
with L. M. Marrs, editor.

Wagoner had the Wagoner Record, with Phillips and
Lindsey as editors.

McAlester had the Choctaw Herald, with E. T. Lester as editor.

Durant had the Durant Sentinel, with H. C. Bailey as editor.

Eufaula had Indian Journal Printing Company, with L. A. Singleton as editor, established in 1875.

Atoka had the Indian Citizen, with Capt. J. S. Stanley and B. S. Swiser as editors.

The Indian Citizen was a paper printed in the English language and a copy was also gotten out in Choctaw for many years.

Very few of the above newspapers were by any of the above names and some have not appeared for many years.