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Interview with T. T. Robinson,  
Route 5, Atoka, Oklahoma.

Musical Instrument - Violin and Organ

Mr. Robinson states that when he was thirty years old he came to the Indian Territory, via covered wagon from Boone County, Arkansas, located at Broken, southeast of Tulsa.

He learned to play the violin for the Indians and others at their dances and other social gatherings while living here. In 1888 he moved to what is now Atoka County, Oklahoma, and has lived here ever since.

He has played the violin for the Choctaw Indians at their dances and other social gatherings for fifty-one years.

He and his family have furnished the music for church services at their church service, violin and organ.

He, also, has played in old fiddle contests in Oklahoma for the past thirty years and has won many prizes in these contests. He has been married twice and seven children were born to each union, ten of whom are living now. Some of the children are very good musicians.