

FORTUNE, C. D.

INTERVIEW

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BIOGRAPHY FORM
WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION
Indian-Pioneer history Project for Oklahoma

Field Worker's name Naomi L. Garringer

This report made on (date) July 13, 1937

1. Name C. D. Fortune

2. Post Office Address Medford

3. Residence address (or location) 6 miles west; 2 north of Medford

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month January Day 29 Year 1874

5. Place of birth Indiana

6. Name of Father Edward Fortune Place of birth Indiana

Other information about father _____

7. Name of Mother Louvina Hall Place of birth Illinois

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 sheets attached 2

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C. D. Fortune was born January 29, 1874, in Indiana and was a teacher at the time the Strip was opened. He made the race into the Cherokee Strip, he and four other men coming in a wagon. He staked a claim six miles west and two north of Medford. In the Spring he built a sod house. For two years he stayed on his claim and worked it through the Summer and taught school in the Winter. Then he built a frame house and was married and came to stay on the claim the year round.

By that time, too, they were having very good crops and it was not so hard to make a living there.