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Field worker's name Jimmie Birdwell

This report made on (date) February 11 1938

1. This legend was secured from (name) M.E. Freese

Address 101 Southeast 38, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

This person is (male or female) ~~White~~ ~~Black~~ ~~Indian~~

If Indian, give tribe _____

2. Origin and history of legend or story _____

Frisco, a ghost town, was two miles south and one mile east of

Richland.

3. Write out the legend or story as completely as possible. Use blank sheets and attach firmly to this form. Number of sheets attached 1

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Jimmie Birdwell,
Investigator,
February 11, 1938.

An interview with Mr. M. E. Freese,
101 Southeast 38, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Frisco- a ghost town.

Frisco was founded in 1889, two weeks after the opening, by sixty families. The men of these families were veterans of the Civil War.

The town had a mayor named Godfrey. There was a post office and the postmaster was Depree. The town had four saloons, a drug store, a school, a church, a newspaper and two large general stores.

In 1891 the town fought El Reno for the county seat and won, but the higher courts gave it back to El Reno. It looked as if Frisco was going to be one of the major towns of the state until it lost the county seat fight. Then they had been expecting a railroad but lost it and after that the folks moved off one at a time until not a soul was left. Buildings were torn down and moved and Frisco just vanished off the map.