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Field Worker's name Joe Southern

This report made on (date) September 23, 1937

1. Name Wilson Jones (Choctaw Indian)

2. Post Office Address Lane, Oklahoma

3. Residence address (or location) \_\_\_\_\_

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month aged, 60 years. Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

5. Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

6. Name of Father \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Other information about father \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

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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Joe Southern  
Interviewer  
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Interview with Wilson Jones,  
Lane, Oklahoma.

Indian Mounds built by the Caddoes or the Comanches show that their wigwams were stretched on these mounds, which are located in and around old and new Farris, twenty-one miles southeast of Atoka. Highway 19 passes through the northern edge of this mound city of approximately three thousand mounds in number. When I was a small boy I heard my grandparents and father and other old Indians talk about this mound city and about how they would find flint arrowheads in the surrounding country which had been lost by this tribe in the search for and killing of wild game for food. These Indians would build a village in some prairie glade so that their enemies could be seen if they undertook to attack them.

The location of Mound City is on what was at one time a prairie near several springs of water with Muddy Boggy River on the west and south of this camp,

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McGee Creek and Clear Creek on the north side and Coal Creek and Caney Creek along the east side of the camp, making this location an ideal place for fishing and hunting.

This mound city is located in sections 29, 30, 31 and 32, Township 3 South, Range 14 East, along the section line between section 32 and section 33. There is a deposit of iron manganese rock with red paint deposits of pure clay and with red paint pockets all through the center of the stone. This tribe gathered their red paints at these places and this clay or paint is ready for use by mixing water with it.