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Field Worker's name Herbert L. Rogers

This report made on (date) February 8, 1938

1. Name George Luther Graves

2. Post Office Address Alva, Oklahoma.

3. Residence address (or location) _____

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month October Day 16 Year 1859

5. Place of birth Dubois County, Indiana.

6. Name of Father John Graves Place of birth _____

Other information about father _____

7. Name of Mother Mary Ann Winninger. 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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An Interview with George Luther Graves, Alva.

By - Herbert L. Rogers, Investigator.

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I was born in Dubois County, Indiana, October 16, 1859, the son of John and Mary Ann Winninger Graves. When fourteen years old I was left an orphan. I then worked my way West and located for a time at St. Catherine, Missouri, and it was here I was married to Julia Effie Hull, on March 15, 1882, and we established our home at Raton, New Mexico, where I was employed by the Santa Fe Railroad Company. Five children were born to us.

I took up a homestead in Barber County, Kansas, in 1882 and in 1885 made final proof on my claim, but it was not until 1889 that I moved my family from Raton, New Mexico.

Later on my health proved to be at a poor state and I moved to Alva but I have kept my holdings in Barber County, Kansas.

When I was a young man I united with the Methodist Church. I am also a charter member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen at Wellington, Lodge No, 280.