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Indian-Pioneer History Project for OklahomaField Worker's name Loudolphus D. MaybeeThis report made on (date) April 27, 19381. Name Mrs. Margaret Grimes.2. Post Office Address Spavinaw,3. Residence address (or location) North part of town.4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month November Day 16, Year 18695. Place of birth Kansas6. Name of Father John Haley, Place of birth Kentucky7. Name of Mother Mary Gooding Place of birth MissouriOther information about mother White.

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 1.

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Loudolphus D. Maybee,  
Investigator,  
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Interview with Mrs. Margaret Grimes  
Spavinaw, Oklahoma.  
Born November 16, 1860.  
Father-John Haley.  
Mother-Mary Gooding.

Mrs. Grimes' father was a Campbellite preacher; they came to Oklahoma in Territory days by way of Winfield, Kansas. They arrived at Winfield one night and were followed next day by horse thieves, and the following night one of their best horses was stolen. Her father got the sheriff at Winfield and they followed the thief until they caught up with him, got the horse and hung the thief.

Mrs. Grimes worked as a waitress in Caldwell, Kansas, in a place close to the depot when she was just a girl. Many mornings they would see men hanging on the fence where they loaded stock or men lying on the sidewalk shot to death, and nothing was ever done about these things.

There were no roads or bridges in the Territorial days; everyone went the nearest way across the prairies and forded streams.

When Mrs. Grimes came with her parents to the Territory they first settled at Guthrie and she attended the first street fair there.