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Field Worker's name Herbert T. Rogers.

This report made on (date) January 17, 1938. 1938

1. Name Homer P. Gregory.

2. Post Office Address Alva, Oklahoma.

3. Residence address (or location) _____

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month December Day 18 Year 1862.

5. Place of birth _____

6. Name of Father Wiley Gregory. Place of birth _____

Other information about father _____

7. Name of Mother Lucinda Esque. 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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Herbert Rogers,
Investigator,
Jan. 17, 1938.

An Interview With Homer P. Gregory,
Alva, Oklahoma.

I was born near Wapello, Iowa, December 18, 1862.
My parents were Wiley Gregory and Lucinda Esque Gregory.

I was left an orphan at the age of five years. I was given a home by the Lonsberry family, who also reared a girl, Elizabeth, who later became my wife. The Lonsberry family went from Kansas to Colorado by covered wagon, where I lived until I was twenty-eight, when I moved to Kiowa, Kansas.

I have been married twice and have four children. I was married to Elizabeth Smith in Neosho County, Kansas, November 19, 1893. We made our home near Capron after I made the run in the opening of the Cherokee Strip until 1915 when we moved into Capron where we lived until we moved to our new home in Alva, November 23, 1937.

Moving to ^{as}town proved a tragic error for me. Too long have I enjoyed daily meeting friends of forty years or more in Capron. From my home it was but a few steps down

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town and my farm tenants knew where to find me to talk
over matters of mutual concern. I have missed ^{my} old friends
after moving to Alva. It was too far from my new home to
walk down town with my crippled leg. My heart has yearned
for the old home and old associates.

Mr. Gregory shot himself and died January 18, 1938.
He was seventy-five years old. Investigator.