

Byron Fullerton, 1720 South 14th Street, Chickasha, Oklahoma. Born, August 13, 1889, Johnson County, Texas. Parents, J. T. and Mattie Fullerton. Mother 1/16 Indian (Seminole).

MR. FULLERTON'S STORY:

My parents lived for a short time in Oklahoma in 1897 but came into Oklahoma from Texas in 1903.

"On Christmas Eve in 1896 we left Batavia, Boone County, Arkansas. When we arrived at Fayetteville we placed my mother and two younger brothers on the train, and father and I started across country in a covered wagon. After trouble with horse thieves and floods father and I arrived at Comanche, where Mother and brothers were.

"We came to Oklahoma from Texas in 1903 in a prairie schooner. We settled 4 miles northeast of Roosevelt in Kiowa County. I well remember the great prairie fire that winter that burnt off thousands of square miles of grass. my father helped start the Church of Christ to meeting in Hobart, Oklahoma. He also helped start the Cordell Christian College, of Cordell, Oklahoma in 1907.

"The Church of Christ in Hobart, Oklahoma was started in 1905 by J. S. Terry and J. T. Fullerton. It first (sic.) met in a lodge hall on West Fourth St. and later in a church

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building on South Main St.

The Cordell Christian College was started by a meeting in Hobart in the Fall of 1906. It opened in 1907.

"The mining town of Wildman, east of Cold Springs was a typical mining town in 1904-06. It was just south of the mountains that lie just east of Roosevelt, Oklahoma. There are settlers living near who could furnish information in regard to it, but I do not know their names. There was much prospecting for gold in the Wichita mountains in those years.

"The town of Gotsbo was once called Harrison, and the town of Sentinel was once called (I believe I am correct) Barton. The old rock Store from which the town of Rocky, Oklahoma received its name would be interesting.....

"Between the towns of Weatherford and Corn there is the remains of an old brick dwelling about which they tell some hair raising stories about cattle thieves and ghosts."