Jesse Whalen Hines, 100 North Creek Street, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Born, September 5, 1887, Kansas City, Missouri. Parents, Henry and Margaret (Rogers) Hines. White.

MR. HINES' STORY:

My parents never came to Oklahoma.

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"I did not come to Oklahoma until June, 1906,

"There were many ferries between Lawton and the Red River which I had to cross in my work with the Pioneer Tel. & Tel. Co. in 1906 & 1907, at Duncan it was my privledge to place the first Cotton Exchange telegraph and this was quite an extension from Oklahoma City at that time. My step-father J. L. Wallace moved the town of Mtn. Park to what is now Snyder, so much for the GHOST TOWN.

"Apache had the first automatic telephone system I came across in 1907 it seems now that it was a Globe Automatic and possibly not so much for service as these in use in this date and time.

"I met Chief Little Bear 18 miles west of Kingfisher looking for lost poines, it was a custom to carry pieces of beef, open to sun for drying, tied to saddle but it may, just possibly, have been his lunch.

"The first Private Branch Excgange (sic.) installed at

Enid in the Billings Hotel 1907, by the writer, was also the time of their coming into modern telephone service at that city where the Pioneer put up their own building and plant."