

G. V. Monroe, Route 2, Haskell, Oklahoma. Born, Kansas. Parents, George and Lizzie Monroe. White.

MR. MONROE'S STORY:

My parents came from Fort Huron, Michigan.

"They came in wagons sometime in 1800 to Arkansas City. Can 3 miles from C... line"

One of our interesting episodes was getting away from the Indians when they were on the war path. They burnt all we had. "Our hous[e] furniture our barn and hogs.

"I was small then but I remember th[e]y run us away from home twice and once we went down in a branch in the timber close to the Arkansas River and hid

"We seen them coming over a hill. th[e]y was single file on horse back. There was a Indian came to our place and told mother th[e]y was coming. and we had to go on foot that time. They never did hurt any of us. I have been to several of their dances and have danced with them.

"Most of their clothing use to be blankets,

"They hunted with bow & arrow. Fished by pounding some kind of roots up and puttin' it in the water to make fish drunk then th[e]y would catch them.

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"Th[e]y gathe[r] herbs & make medicine and take the medicine, I have seen them get roots and make medicine for white people to take. and Indian is a good trapper & hunter I have been on several Deer hunts with Osages

"They put me on a stand and would run deer right by you th[e]y did me at Pawshuska [Pawhuska ?] in the Osage hills years ago when deer was plentiful.

"Mission sites, I painted the Mache mission at Sapulpa and it was then a nice large mission well kept and lots of shade trees,

"The Chilocha Indian schools are fine well kept and well built, was built 8 miles from there th[e]y are located.

"Trails - the old Turkey track trail which leads N.W- from Sapulpa to Key Stone up toward Ponca agency is a rough road th[e]y never worked the roads as we do now."