

COLBERT, POLLY ANN

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Field Worker's name Lula Austin

This report made on (date) October 21 1937

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1. Name Polly Ann Colbert (colored)
  2. Post Office Address Colbert, Oklahoma
  3. Residence address (or location) West of Caddo.
  4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month April Day        Year 1852
  5. Place of birth Indian Territory, near Colbert
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6. Name of Father Tony Prince Place of birth         
Other information about father
  7. Name of Mother Liza Colbert Place of birth         
Other information about mother
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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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Lula Austin  
Investigator  
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Interview with Polly Ann Colbert  
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I remember we lived near where Hendrix is now when I was only eight years old - when the Civil War broke out. We had plenty to eat during the War. My master was good to us, clothed and fed us well. Mr. Colbert owned nine slaves - five women and four men.

One of my chores was to spin filling for looms and act as nurse maid.

My master accidentally killed my mother. He and another man had been hunting, and came riding in a gallop up to the house. Master jumped from his horse and his pistol hit on the horn of the saddle causing it to discharge. My mammy was in the back yard and the bullet hit her, killing her. My father died soon after my mother's death.

I never went to school a day in my life. I have one sister, whose name is Chaney, living a few miles west of Colbert. I think my sister Chaney has an old pot that be-

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longed to Mr. Colbert. I live on the forty acres  
the Government gave me but rent the land out.