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Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

Field Worker's name Pearl E. Parker.

This report made on (date) July 23, 1937

1. Name Mr. Ad Moore

2. Post Office Address Cherokee, Oklahoma.

3. Residence address (or location) 311 South Massachusetts Street.

4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month March Day 31 Year 1869.

5. Place of birth Farmer City, Illinois.

6. Name of Father William Warren Moore Place of birth Allen County, Ohio.

Other information about father \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name of Mother Herritt Johnson Place of birth Illinois.

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 1.

Pearl Parker,  
Interviewer.

An Interview With Ad Moore about the  
**opening** of the Cherokee Strip and  
**other** later settlements.

I was born in Farmer City, Illinois. I came to Oklahoma September 16, 1893. I came to Reno County and started from McAlester. There was a dreadful dust storm; you could hardly see in front of you. I was riding a pony, and was hauling water for our horses. When we came to the Salt Fork where we rested awhile, ate lunch, and started on our journey.

I filed on school land ten miles west of Pond Creek. I lived there about twenty years. In the year of 1894 a dreadful rain came; canyons overflowed, and people could hardly get anywhere and roads were almost impassable.

I built a dug-out, and lived there for some time. I used a yoke of oxen and broke up fifty acres of sod, planted kaffir corn, and raised a world of watermelons. I went into the cattle business. Our trading place was Augusta, two miles west of Carmen, which is Carmen at the present time. I am a retired farmer at this time.