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Field Worker's name Raymond C. JantzThis report made on (date) April 9, 19381. Name S. E. Dyer.2. Post Office Address Fort Cobb, Oklahoma R. 2.3. Residence address (or location) 7 South 2 East of Carnegie.4. DATE OF BIRTH: Month January Day 24. Year 18775. Place of birth Kansas.6. Name of Father W. H. Dyer. Place of birth Tennessee.Other information about father Farmer7. Name of Mother Mary E. Chambers Place of birth Indiana

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 2.

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Raymond C. Jantz,
Investigator.
April 9, 1938.

Interview with S. E. Dyer.
Fort Cobb, Oklahoma.
Born January 24, 1877.
Father-W. H. Dyer
Mother-Mary E. Chambers

I was born in Kansas and was raised in that State. In 1901 I came to the Caddo, Comanche and Kiowa Opening to make me a home in this new country. I came through in a covered wagon as this was practically the only mode of travel. It required nearly three weeks on the road with stops that we made. We stopped longer at El Reno, where we registered for the opening. I still live on the place that I drew in the drawing.

Carnegie at this time was only a section house and stock yards, with one store or trading post. This store was located north of the Washita River. The first time I stayed in Carnegie I had to sleep in the section house and I put my horses up in the stock yards.

Apache was our closest town of any size which had our needs. We hauled our lumber for building purposes and hauled all supplies from there. It usually took from two to

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three days to go for supplies. If I had an extra heavy load it took two days and part of another, but most always I made it in two days.

The first year I broke out about eighty acres as this country was prairie with no trees to grub. My crop has always been wheat. The first year I tried some corn but it doesn't make in this country as it did in Kansas.