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Interview with Othelia Knutson. People living in Wakeeney from Germany, Ozarks, Austria, and Russia. Life in Russia was very severe. Government owned all some Russians came to America in 1876. In 1905 Russia was in war with Japan so we quickly decided to leave. We had relatives living in Wakeeney, they asked for help to come to Americas. Her grandparents arrived 1901. Hardships were many to get started. Hard for children to learn English. World War started and father involved. Mother was a good seamstress. Good people, lots of singing and industrious.

Interview with Eva Meisner and Lena Schwein- Singing german songs.

Interview with Mildred Walker of Wakeeney- Uncle and Aunt came to Kansas 1878. Came with ox team and hay ride and it rained. Father had been miller in Ohio. Received cloth for walls and looked nicer than sod walls. Tells of big fire at sod house and how they were saved. Told of tragic people around and how they helped each other. Tells of schoolhouse of sod. People built houses tells of grasshopper raid. Very religious and trusting people in God. Having help from relatives back East. The all survived- good times and bad times.

Interview with Emil Olsen, Otto Olson, Hannah Nelson, and Dale Olson. Tells of hardships when first came to Wakeeney, KS especially what the grandparents really went through about working in fields, walking 20 miles to town and carrying feed. Entertaining themselves with simple games and beds made of cornhusk. Horse racing and dog racing were big treat with crowds from all over. Different members of family tell of their experiences and hardships.

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Time

Break between side A and B.
Interview with Othelia Knutson - people living in Wakeeney - from Germany - Czechs - and Austria and Russia. Life in Russia was very severe - government + Bolsheviks owned all - some of Russians came to America in 1876 - In 1905 Russia was in war with Japan. So quickly decided to leave - had relatives living in Wakeeney, they asked for help to come to America - Her grandparents arrived 1901. Hardships were many to get started - hard for children to learn English - World war started + father involved - good handy man, religious people - mother good seamstress - happy people - industrious - lots of singing.

5 min

Interview with Eva Meisner & Lena Salwa
Singing German songs

10 min

Interview with Mildred Walker of Wakeeney
Uncle + Aunt came to Kansas 1878 - came with ox team + Hay Ride and it rained - quite a ride - Father had been miller in Ohio - received cloth for his walls + looked nicer than sod walls - tells of big fire at sod house + how they were saved - told of tragic people around + how they helped each other. Tells of schoolhouse of sod. People built houses - tells of grasshopper raid - very religious + trusting people in God - Having help from relatives back East, they all survived - good times + bad times.

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Time

Break between side A and B

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(Continued)

25 min

Interview with Emil Olson, Otto Olson
Hannah Nelson and Dale Olson - tell
of hardship when first came to Wakeeney,
Ks, especially what the grandparents
really went through - about working
in fields, walking 20 miles to town +
carrying feed, entertaining themselves
with simple games, beds made from
cornhusks. Horse racing + dog races
were a big treat with crowds from
all over. Different members of family
tell of their experiences + hardships

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

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1. Name: <u>Mr. Phillip Hanson</u>		2. Date: <u>June 23, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	5. Age: <u>72</u>
6. Place of Birth: <u>Lindsborg, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>Swedish - English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Lindsborg, Kansas</u>		<u>1886 - 1898</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1898 - 1913</u>	
<u>Ottawa, Kansas</u>		<u>1913 - 1914</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1914 - 1958</u>	
11. Present occupation: <u>Lives in town but farms some.</u>		12. Former occupations: <u>Farmer</u>	
13. Father's name: <u>Henry Hanson</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Alveda Petersen Hanson</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>This interview and recording took place in his home at Wakeeney, Kansas.</u>			
22. Remarks:			

Collector's name:
Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mr. Phillip Hanson</u>	2. Date <u>June 23, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>Swedish Folk Song.</u>	4. Record or tape Number:
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>The informant learned it from his mother.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>In his childhood about sixty-eight years ago.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate): <u>None</u>	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eglar Steinle Olsen
Address:
Wakarusa, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mr. Phillip Hanson</u>	2. Date <u>June 23, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>The Legend of "The Stolen Dinner"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>The informant learned it from his friend Mr. Shutte of Ellis Kansas</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>He heard this story approximately forty years ago.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eula E. Steink Olson
Address:
Wickenburg, Kansas

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

RT
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F666m
1958
No. 2

1. Name: <u>Mrs. Margaret Hanson</u>		2. Date: <u>June 23, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	
5. Age: <u>70</u>			
6. Place of Birth: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>English</u>		9. Education (Circle highest)	
		Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	
		High School 1 2 3 4	
		College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1888 - 1912</u>	
<u>Ottawa, Kansas</u>		<u>1913 - 1914</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1914 - 1958</u>	

11. Present occupation: <u>Housewife</u>	12. Former occupations:
13. Father's name: <u>John Harrison</u>	17. Mother's name: <u>Jane Baines Harrison</u>
14. Father's place of birth: <u>England</u>	18. Mother's place of birth: <u>England</u>
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>England</u>	19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>England</u>
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>England</u>	20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>England</u>
21. Place and condition of interview:	

22. Remarks: This interview and recording took place in her home.

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eyla E. Steink Olson
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Margaret Hanson</u>	2. Date <u>June 23, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>A folktale entitled "An Indian Scare"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She heard the story from her mother.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>She heard about it in her childhood days.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

RT
398
F666m
1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Margaret Hansen</u>	2. Date <u>June 23, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>The story "The Naming of Wakeeney and Ogallah"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She learned the story from her parents.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>She learned about it in her childhood.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	
Collector's name: <u>Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson</u> Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>	

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

RT
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1958
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1. Name: <u>Mrs. Ella Powers</u>		2. Date: <u>June 23, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	
5. Age: <u>67</u>			
6. Place of Birth: <u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Ogallah Kansas</u>		<u>1891 - 1941</u>	
<u>Wapato, Washington</u>		<u>1941 - 1949</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1949 - 1958 present time</u>	
11. Present occupation:		12. Former occupations:	
13. Father's name: <u>Hakon Olson</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Bertina Olson</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>This interview took place in her home but the recording of her interview was made at Mr & Mrs.</u>			
22. Remarks: <u>Philip Hanson. Wakeeney, Kansas.</u>			

Collector's name:
Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Mildred Walker</u>	2. Date <u>June 25, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>"The Story of Early Days"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She heard some of it from her parents and through her own personal experience.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>She was a small child - she is 85 yrs. of age now.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks: <u>She is a wonderful, old lady. She is a beautiful lady with white hair - so gracious and sweet. She seemed to enjoy her talk - which was taped.</u>	
Collector's name: <u>Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson</u> Address: <u>Wickenburg, Kansas</u>	

Song or Story Information Form

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1958
No 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Ella Powers</u>	2. Date <u>June 23, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>"The Legend of The Threshing Machine Canyon"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She learned ^{about} the story from her mother and father</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>In her childhood -</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Egla E. Steidle Olsen
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

1. Name: <u>Mrs. Othelia Knutson</u>		2. Date: <u>June 26, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	5. Age: <u>51</u>
6. Place of Birth: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>German-Russian</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 <u>8</u> High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>German-English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1907 - 1958</u>	
11. Present occupation: <u>Farmers Wife</u>		12. Former occupations:	
13. Father's name: <u>David Meisner</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Eva ^{Dietz} Meisner</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>I interviewed her at her farm home several miles south of Wakeeney. The recording on tape was</u>			
22. Remarks: <u>made here in Wakeeney at her mother's home. Mrs. Eva Meisner.</u>			

Collector's name: Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
 Address: Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Othelia Knutson</u>	2. Date <u>June 25, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>A remin on "Americans Can Be Made As Well As Born"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She learned this story from her parents.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>In her childhood</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes _____ No <u>✓</u> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes _____ No _____ Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant: <u>This story tells about the German-Russian people. Their ancestors went to live in Russia after Queen Katherine petitioned King Frederick of Prussia (Germany) for colonies - to come to the Volga River country.</u>	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eyla E. Steink Olson
 Address: Wakeeney, Kansas
P.O. Box 515

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

1. Name: <u>Mrs. Eva Meisner</u>		2. Date: <u>June 25, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	5. Age: <u>81</u>
6. Place of Birth: <u>Russia</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>German</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4 <u>She had no schooling.</u>	
8. Languages spoken: <u>German - English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Russia</u>		<u>1873 - 1905</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1905 - 1958</u>	
11. Present occupation: <u>Lives alone in her home.</u>		12. Former occupations: <u>Farmer's wife and school teacher's wife</u>	
13. Father's name: <u>John Frederick Dietz</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Magdalena Deines</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>I interviewed her at her house - here in Wakeeney.</u>			
22. Remarks: <u>The tape recording was also made at her house.</u>			
<p><u>Mrs. Eva Meisner loves to sing. Many times she will sing by herself, and then maybe friends will drop in and they will have a real sing "fest".</u></p>			
Collector's name: <u>Mrs. Eglor E. Steidle Olson</u> Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>			

Song or Story Information Form

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Eva Meisner</u>	2. Date <u>June 25, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>"Gott Ist Die Liebe" - "God Is Love"</u> <u>"Von Meinen Heiland Erzähl Ich Gern"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story: <u>"I Love To Tell About My Lord"</u>	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She learned these songs in her early childhood from her parents in Russia.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>She learned them while a small child.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when) <u>The words are in a song book - there is no musical notation.</u>	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate): <u>None.</u>	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eglar E. Steink Olson
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Mrs. Eva Meisner
Mrs. Lena Schwein

"God Is Love"
("Gott Ist Die Liebe")

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1. God is love,
Grants me salvation;
God is love
He loves me too.

Chorus:
Therefore say I again
God is love,
God is love,
He loves me too.

2. I lay in bondage
Of vile sins
I lay in bondage
And couldn't escape.

Chorus:

3. I lay in death
Terrified by Satan;
I lay in death
The wages of sin.

Chorus:

4. He sent Jesus
The faithful Saviour;
He sent Jesus
And released me.

Chorus:

Rev. Max Geissler of the Zion's Lutheran Church
at Irego Center, Kansas did the translation from
the German version to the English.

Mrs. Eglar E. Steink Olson
Wakeeney, Kansas

"About My Saviour I Like To Tell"
("Von Meinen Heiland Erzähl Ich Gern")

1. About my Saviour I like to tell,
He is my life, my star of hope;
Him will I praise as long as I live,
To him I will dedicate the song of the harp.
2. From the beautiful heavens, the throne of the Father
Out of pure love came the Son of God;
He wanted to die for (all) my sins,
That I might become a child of God.
3. He permitted Himself to be beat, He gave His blood,
So I might in eternity have it good;
He has prepared habitation for me,
Jesus my Saviour, I follow Thee.
4. Now I would strife for Thine honor,
O, help me to have faith, and to love Thee more
That here yet many to Thine honor
By grace may become Thine own.
5. How glorious it will be above
Where ~~the~~ true love only will be admitted.
Where we shall see him face to face
In Paradise, in eternal light.

Rev. Max Geissler of the Zion's Lutheran Church
at Irege Center, Kansas did the translation from
the German version to the English.

Mrs. Egle E. Steidle Olson
Wakeeney, Kansas

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

1. Name: <u>Mrs. Lena Schwein</u>		2. Date: <u>June 25, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	5. Age: <u>78</u>
6. Place of Birth: <u>Russia</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>German</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4 <u>She didn't have any schooling</u>	
8. Languages spoken: <u>German - English</u>			
10. Places of residence: <u>Russia</u> <u>1880 - 1900</u>			
<u>Russell, Kansas</u> <u>1900 - 1905</u>			
<u>Holington, Kansas</u> <u>1905 - 1910</u>			
<u>Bazine, Kansas</u> <u>1910 - 1916</u>			
<u>Ft. Collins, Colo.</u> <u>1916 - 1920</u>			
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u> <u>1920 - 1929</u>			
<u>Bazine, Kansas</u> <u>1929 - 1934</u>			
11. Present occupation: <u>Lives with her daughter.</u>		12. Former occupations: <u>Farmer's wife.</u>	
13. Father's name: <u>Henry Schneider</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Elizabeth Schneider</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>I interviewed her at her home - but the recording (tape) was made at the home of Mrs. Eva Meisner, Wakeeney, Kansas.</u>			
22. Remarks: <u>Mrs. Schwein often visits her friend Mrs. Eva Meisner. They will get their song books (have no musical notation) and then they will sing and sing. Mrs. Schwein will sit and rock in her rocking chair and sing and sing.</u>			

Collector's name:

Mrs. Eglar Steinle Olson

Address:

Wakeeney, Kansas

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

1. Name: <u>Mrs. Lena Schwein</u>		2. Date: <u>June 25, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	5. Age: <u>78</u>
6. Place of Birth: <u>Russia</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>German</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4 <u>She didn't have any schooling</u>	
8. Languages spoken: <u>German - English</u>			
10. Places of residence: <u>Russia</u> <u>1880 - 1900</u>			
<u>Russell, Kansas</u> <u>1900 - 1905</u>			
<u>Holington, Kansas</u> <u>1905 - 1910</u>			
<u>Bazine, Kansas</u> <u>1910 - 1916</u>			
<u>Ft. Collins, Colo.</u> <u>1916 - 1920</u>			
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u> <u>1920 - 1929</u>			
<u>Bazine, Kansas</u> <u>1929 - 1934</u>			
11. Present occupation: <u>Lives with her daughter.</u>		12. Former occupations: <u>Farmer's wife.</u>	
13. Father's name: <u>Henry Schneider</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Elizabeth Schneider</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Russia</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>I interviewed her at her home - but the recording (tape) was made at the home of Mrs. Eva Meisner, Wakeeney, Kansas.</u>			
22. Remarks: <u>Mrs. Schwein often visits her friend Mrs. Eva Meisner. They will get their song books (have no musical notation) and then they will sing and sing. Mrs. Schwein will sit and rock in her rocking chair and sing and sing.</u>			

Collector's name:

Mrs. Eglar E. Steink Olson

Address:

Wakeeney, Kansas

"God Is Love"
("Gott Ist Die Liebe")

1. God is love
Grants me salvation
God is love
He loves me too.

Chorus:

Therefore, say I again
God is love
God is love
He loves me, too.

2. I lay in bondage
Of vile sins,
I lay in bondage
And couldn't escape.

Chorus:

3. I lay in death
Terrified by Satan;
I lay in death
The wages of sin.

Chorus:

4. He sent Jesus
The faithful Saviour
He sent Jesus
And released me.

Chorus:

Rev. Max Weisler of the Zion's Lutheran Church at Irego,
Center, Kansas did the translation from the German version
to the English version.

"About My Saviour I Like To Tell"
("Von Meinen Heiland Erzähl Ich Gern")

1. About my Saviour I like to tell,
He is my life, my star of hope,
Him will I praise as long as I live,
To Him I will dedicate the song of the harp.
2. From the beautiful heavens, the throne of the Father,
Out of pure love came the Son of God;
He wanted to die for (all) my sins,
That I might become a child of God.
3. He permitted Himself to be beat, He gave His blood,
So that I might in eternity have it good;
He has prepared habitations for me,
Jesus my Saviour, I follow Thee.
4. Now I would strive for Thine honor,
O, help me to have faith, and to love Thee more,
That here yet many to Thine honor
By grace may become Thine own.
5. How glorious it will be above
Where true love only will be admitted.
Where we shall see Him face to face
In Paradise, in eternal light.

Rev. Max Dussler of the Lion's Lutheran Church at
Drego Center, Kansas did the translation from the
German version to the English.

Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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F666m
1958
76-2

1. Informant's name: <i>Mrs. Hannah Nelson</i>	2. Date <i>June 28, 1958</i>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <i>"Reminiscing"</i>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <i>She heard this story from her parents and through her own personal experiences.</i>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <i>In his childhood and later life.</i>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks: <i>"Reminiscing" was taken from a record. This story was recorded in June 1954. The 75th Anniversary of the Olson's inrego County, Kansas. Their homeland had been Sweden.</i>	
Collector's name: <i>Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson</i> Address: <i>Wakeeney, Kansas</i>	

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

RT
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F6667M
1958
No. 2

1. Name: <u>Mrs. Hannah Nelson (Mrs. A.W.)</u>		2. Date:	
3. Address: <u>Ellis, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Ellis</u>	
5. Age: <u>78</u>			
6. Place of Birth: <u>Sweden</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English - Swedish</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Sweden</u>		<u>- 6 weeks -</u>	
<u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>		<u>1890 - 1900</u>	
<u>Ellis, Kansas</u>		<u>1900 - 1958</u>	
11. Present occupation: <u>Housewife</u>		12. Former occupations:	
13. Father's name: <u>Hakon Olson</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Bertina Olson</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview:			
22. Remarks:			

Collector's name: Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
 Address: Wakeeney, Kansas

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1958
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1. Name: <u>Mrs. Ella Powers</u>		2. Date: <u>June 23, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	
5. Age: <u>67</u>			
6. Place of Birth: <u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Ogallah Kansas</u>		<u>1891 - 1941</u>	
<u>Wapato, Washington</u>		<u>1941 - 1949</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1949 - 1958 present time</u>	
11. Present occupation:		12. Former occupations:	
13. Father's name: <u>Hakon Olson</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Bertina Olson</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>This interview took place in her home but the recording of her interview was made at Mr & Mrs.</u>			
22. Remarks: <u>Phillip Hanson. Wakeeney, Kansas.</u>			

Collector's name:
Mrs. Egle E Steink Olson
 Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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1-6667
1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Mildred Walker</u>	2. Date <u>June 25, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>"The Story of Early Days"</u>	4. Record or tape Number:
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She heard some of it from her parents and through her own personal experience.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>She was a small child - she is 85 yrs. of age now.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks: <u>She is a wonderful, old lady. She is a beautiful lady with white hair - so gracious and sweet. She seemed to enjoy her talk - which was taped.</u>	
Collector's name: <u>Mrs. Egle E. Steiner Olson</u> Address: <u>Wickenburg, Kansas</u>	

Song or Story Information Form

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1958
No 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mrs. Ella Powers</u>	2. Date <u>June 23, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>"The Legend of The Threshing Machine Canyon"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>She learned ^{about} the story from her mother and father</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>In her childhood -</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Egla E. Steinkle Olson
Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

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1958
No. 2

1. Name: <u>Mr. Emil Olson</u>		2. Date: <u>3</u>	
3. Address: <u>Dodge City, Wakeney Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Tren</u>	5. Age: <u>72</u>
6. Place of Birth: <u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 3 4 <u>Did not require high school</u> <u>take a business course</u>	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English</u>			
10. Places of residence:			
<u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>		<u>1886 - 1928</u>	
<u>Dodge City, Kansas</u>		<u>1928 - 1958</u>	

11. Present occupation: <u>Retired</u>	12. Former occupations: <u>Farmer - McNeese Salesman</u>
13. Father's name: <u>Hakan Olson</u>	17. Mother's name: <u>Bertha Olson</u>
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>
21. Place and condition of interview: <u>Wakeney</u>	

22. Remarks:
Collector's name: <u>Mrs. Egle E. Steiner Olson</u> Address: <u>Wakeney, Kansas</u>

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1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <u>Mr. Emil Olson</u>	2. Date <u>June 28, 1958</u>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <u>"Reminiscing"</u>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <u>He heard this story from his parents and through his own personal experiences.</u>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <u>In his childhood and later life.</u>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks: <u>"Reminiscing" was taken from a record. The story was recorded in June 1954 - 75th Anniversary of the Olsons in Irego County Kansas. Their home-land had been Sweden.</u>	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eglar E. Steiner Olson
 Address:
Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

1. Informant's name: <i>Mr. Dale W. Olson</i>	2. Date <i>June 29, 1958</i>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <i>"The Cattle Story"</i> <i>Tall Tales - "The Fish Story"</i>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <i>He heard these stories through John Briggs and Ken Stewart.</i>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <i>He heard the first story in his childhood and the other one about five years ago.</i>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks:	

Collector's name:
Mrs. Eglar E. Steink Olson
 Address:
Wickenburg, Kansas

INFORMANT BIOGRAPHY FORM

1. Name: <u>Mr. Dale W. Olson</u>		2. Date: <u>June 26, 1958</u>	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	
6. Place of Birth: <u>Colyer, Kansas</u>		5. Age: <u>46</u>	
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish - English - Penn. Dutch</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade school 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College 1 2 3 4	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Colyer</u>		<u>1912 - 1933</u>	
<u>Wakeeney</u>		<u>1933 - 1958</u>	
11. Present occupation: <u>Auctioneer - State Supervisor of Noxious Weeds</u>		12. Former occupations: <u>County Commissioner - Farmer - Star Route - Mail Carrier</u>	
13. Father's name: <u>O. H. Olson</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Nina Sierier Olson</u> <u>A State Supervisor of Noxious Weeds</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Wilson, Kansas</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth:	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth:	
21. Place and condition of interview:			
22. Remarks:			

Collector's name: Mrs. Eglar E. Steiner Olson
 Address: Wakeeney, Kansas

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1958
No. 2

1. Name: <u>Mr. O.H. Olson (Otto)</u>		2. Date:	
3. Address: <u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		4. County: <u>Trego</u>	
5. Age: <u>76</u>			
6. Place of Birth: <u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>			
7. Ancestry: <u>Swedish</u>		9. Education (Circle highest) Grade School 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 High School 1 2 3 4 College <u>1</u> 2 3 4 <u>Business College</u>	
8. Languages spoken: <u>English - Swedish</u>			
10. Places of residence:		Dates:	
<u>Ogallah, Kansas</u>		<u>1882 - 1909</u>	
<u>Collyer, Kansas</u>		<u>1909 - 1941</u>	
<u>Wakeeney, Kansas</u>		<u>1941 - 1958</u>	
11. Present occupation: <u>Retired</u>		12. Former occupations: <u>Co. Commissioner</u> <u>Farmer - Barber - Auctioneer - Kansas Representative</u>	
13. Father's name: <u>Hakon Olson</u>		17. Mother's name: <u>Esther Olson</u>	
14. Father's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		18. Mother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
15. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		19. Grandfather's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
16. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>		20. Grandmother's place of birth: <u>Sweden</u>	
21. Place and condition of interview:			
22. Remarks:			

Collector's name: Mrs. Egle E. Steink Olson
 Address: Wakeeney, Kansas

Song or Story Information Form

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1958
No. 2

1. Informant's name: <i>Mr. O.N. Olson</i>	2. Date <i>June - 18, 1958</i>
3. Informant's name of song or story: <i>"Reminiscing"</i>	4. Record or tape Number
5. Standard name of song or story:	
6. Where and how did informant learn the song or story? <i>He heard this story from his parents and through his own personal experiences</i>	
7. Approximate date of learning: <i>In his childhood and later life.</i>	
8. Has the informant seen the story or song in print? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> (Where and when)	
9. Was song accompanied by a game or dance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Describe:	
10. Instrument used (if played in a special manner indicate):	
11. Special explanations of the song or story by informant:	
12. Remarks: <i>"Reminiscing" was taken from a record. This story was recorded in June 1954 - 75th Anniversary of the Olsons in Irego County, Kansas. Their homeland had been Sweden.</i>	
Collector's name: <i>Mrs. Eglar E. Stanley Olson</i> Address: <i>Wakeeney, Kansas</i>	