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Managum Okla
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Dear Josh & Edna

We got your letter yesterday and went and got Mrs. Lock to fix it up again. I just took the record Burt wrote and he had Joshua -without the Taylor. That is the way she fixed it. Lewis and I got to talking about it and we decided you would rather have it Josh T. As that is the way you sign your name so I called her last night and asked her if she would change it. She said she would. I took it back this afternoon and she wrote out another one. (Right here I stopped to look over the certificate and found Mrs. Locke had made some mistakes so I called her about it and she said go over to her house and she would make another copy.) We have just got back with it. This time I hope it is alright. You sign your name where it says. Signature. (to be signed by registrant) is just above it sign it like she has it in the certificate before a notary public. She said you needed one other document. There is a list of 10 different things you may choose from. On the back of your certificate Mrs. Lock marked some she thought you might use. It says the documents must be at least five years old – so you couldn't use your child's registration. You could use your marriage license – or give the name of one of your employers who you work for five years ago or more. You are supposed to give the year when you work – like she put A. R. Wilson farm. She just called Aunt Lucy, and ask if you worked there. We couldn't either of us remember the date exactly.

Have the notary call (over the phone) who ever you want to give is your employer – If he can't get one you can call another I imagine there are several people around there you worked for five years ago – probably Waggoner – Or the city. The notary will know where to sign if you will read this certificate carefully. It looks like rain here. We had a rain not long ago just in time to save some of gardens, some things had already burned up. Monday is a holiday, so guess you won't get this till Tuesday Lewis has addressed to you for them to send your copy back to you in, so all you have to do is have the certificate notarized and put it in the envelope with \$.50 in cash or money order and request for a copy of your certificate. Hope you get it OK okay this time. I haven't seen or heard from Olive since we were there. Don't know weather Sunny got to come home or not. I was glad to get Ben's address. I never heard from the boys in Mexico. Keep thinking I will write them. Have you heard from Nola any more. She said in Olives letter the papers she was looking for a come and she had signed them and mail them and said something about sending for you to get some papers fixed up and sent to the lawyers. I will be glad if that business is war settled. **I think she said the \$7000 claim would extend over at twelve year period.** Said she would send each want a full statement. Best of luck to you. Your sis.

Viola