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 of Martin Harris was living in Clarkston  
 & he was one of the witnesses of the Book of Mormon  
 & that he had seen & heard an Angel from god  
 testify the truth of the same & Alma L. Jensen  
 Ole Jensen son Perswaded two of my Chums  
 James Barker & Dick Stokes go with me to see Martin-  
 Harris ~~on the~~ 4 of July 1875 It being my 11 birth day  
 when we neared the house of bro <sup>willing</sup> Carbine where  
 he was staying <sup>with</sup> Bro Thomas Godfrey was leaving  
 & he volunteered to go back with us. & when we entered  
 the Room bro Godfrey made the Remarks, bro Harris  
 I have fetched this young men to hear your statement if  
 you believe the Book of Mormon is true. his face was  
 turned to the wall. he turned & faced us & said now  
 I dont believe, but I now it is true for with these eyes  
 I saw the angel & with <sup>ears</sup> <sup>ears</sup> pointing to them I heard  
 him say they were a true & correct Record of an  
 Ancient people that dwelt upon this the American  
 Continent & I testify to you Young Men  
 they are true. I had such a feeling come  
 over me I shall never forget I was convinced he spoke  
 the truth. Alma L. Jensen I will be 72 years old <sup>my next</sup> <sup>birth day</sup>

Alma Jan - Ben July 4 - 1864

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STATEMENT OF ALMA L. JENSEN OF DAYTON, IDAHO.

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In the summer of 1875, my father Ole A. Jensen, then a councilor to Bishop Jardine of Clarkston, Utah, told me that a man by the name of Martin Harris was living in Clarkston, Utah, and that the said Martin Harris was one of the witnesses of the Book of Mormon, and that he had seen and heard an angel from God testify to the truth of the coming forth of the Book of Mormon. Being of an inquisitive nature, I determined to learn for myself as to what the testimony of Martin Harris would be. I asked two of my chums, James Barker and Isaac Stokes to go with me to see Martin Harris. We called on him July 4, 1875, this being on my 11th birthday. Thomas Godfrey introduced us to Mr. Harris who was living at the home of William Carbine. In introducing us Mr. Godfrey said "Bro. Harris, I have brought these young men to hear your statement as to whether or not you believe the Book of Mormon to be true." His face was turned to the wall. He turned and faced us and said, "Now I don't believe, but I know it to be true, for with these eyes I saw the angel and with these ears (pointing to them) I heard Him say it was a true and correct record of an ancient people that dwelt upon this the American Continent, and I hereby testify to you young men that it is true."

I had such a feeling come over me that I shall never forget. I was convinced he spoke the truth.

This statement is made by me of my own free will and choice this 1st day of June, 1936.

Alma L. Jensen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of June 1936.

Notary Public  
Preston, Idaho.