

ready to perform on the stage. We take our blankets and cooking equipment and dishes.

PLEASANT MEMORIES OF FRIENDS MADE ON THESE OCCASIONS

(Who were some of the old time Sac and Fox people who used to go?)

Since '39? Oh, my Aunt Esther. She went the first trip we made up there. That was my father's sister. She was one of the elders. And that's about all, I guess. George Foster, Billy Gray Eyes' bunch, he went up there. So I can show you a list of names of all those that have been there because I keep a record of all those that go each year.

(Tell me some of the things that have happened when you've been there.

Are there any--?)

Oh-h-h

(Interesting stories.)

Oh, we made a lot of new friends. Everybody was very nice to us. And ---

DISCOVERY OF A SKELETON

(Have there been some special burials up there?)

Oh, yes. The builders there at Rock Island, they were digging a tunnel for water--I think--water line--and they dug up an Indian skeleton. And this was placed in the museum but not on display. It was put there for safekeeping until Labor Day came along then the Indians had a burial for this skeleton that was found. And we were there. And they brought in-- the Tama Indians built a bark casket. Made out of bark, then they placed this skeleton in this bark casket. And they buried it right there--right on, next to that river there. From a high bluff, they buried it.

(How was--did they destroy the skeleton when they found it or what position was it in when they found it?)

I never learned that. They found it--it was in a sitting position. I think it was in a sitting position.