

side of a bluff. The grandfather swore the boy to secrecy as to the location. The boy honored the agreement and the location also died with him. The boy had related to Amos that his grandfather had told him that if the location were ever known to whitemen, they would make bullets of that lead and come kill them. Amos also tells that somewhere in the Cherokee Hills there are uranium deposits. Indians that he has known have showed samples of rock believed to contain the metal. He has also been told that in some cave some Indians have explored that in places their hair would stand straight up, which they believed to have been caused by that type of metal.

Bitting Springs was named for Dr. Sam Bitting, a Cherokee doctor who came to Indian Territory during the removal from Georgia. For reasons unknown county maps and other records of recent years are changing the name to "Bidding" Springs. Bitting Springs, like its historic mill, old burial grounds, old Indian homesites, roads and other features will be removed and changed in the wake of time and progress, not brought by the Indians.