

man--will he--just same as starving to death. Now, that is in Bible, You couldn't drive a wagon and team. You couldn't go horse back, and you could hardly make it afoot.

(I know it used to be awful bad when it was wet.)

Alice: My husband and my second oldest boy started out one Wednesday morning. We just took the last bite we had in the house. We didn't have anything. It had been snowing and raining. The roads were just awful. He said, "Well, we just got to go. We ain't got a thing here to eat." Well, he got up early. They pulled out afoot just before day light. The sun come out, and I told the children, "Now, while they're gone, we'll wash; and by the time they get back, we'll have our wash over. Then, I can cook and eat." I looked for them back around 2 o'clock. Well, we got through and hung the clothes up. Well, we got out there in the woods looking for persimmons. The week before, the persimmon trees were loaded. We got so hungry. We had to rub on boards in those days, of course. We had a big washing because we had a big family. We tried to find persimmons, and we couldn't find any persimmons. We tried to find some acorns, walnuts or anything. We couldn't find a thing. After washing all day and rubbing on the board or any kind of work, you get awful hungry. And we hadn't had no breakfast. It was after dark when they came in. They came in with what they could carry. There wasn't much that they could carry. But it was all day long going and coming that six miles. They met a man with a wagon trying to make it. He said that them wagon wheels looked like solid. When they came back, they said it was at a mile from where they met him.

(Oh, it was hard times in those days.)