

Alice: Now, that was as hungry as I was in my life. I feel awful sorry for any body who is hungry. I was hungry that day. I had thought I was hungry before that, but I get a bite. But we couldn't an acorn. (That would be hard going.)

INCIDENTS--TRAVEL--"PUNCHIN" FLOOR

Jenks: I got hungry one time. There was just two stores in Muskogee. I went over in Creek Nation between Arkansas and the Verdigrée River. I had an uncle there called Alec Keys. That's my dad's uncle. I went to a preacher and he said I could get a job picking potatoes and work at things. But I didn't find nothing to do. Then, I went to a lady's house, and I asked her for something to eat. She gave me a tumbler of water and some biscuits. And that's all she had. I ate them and I messed around there. I went on back to where I was staying. I never did find the uncle. I think I stayed there about a week. I finally went to my uncle's house. His wife was a midwife and they were doing pretty good. They had some meat. Those Creeks in those days were tough, awful tough. A white man lived there from the Arkansas River. There was a big pasture there--nothing but Texas steers. I asked him for something to eat. He said he had plenty of meat, but he didn't have any bread. He had those some punchings. Two doors about like that.

Alice: Do you know about storing in floor like that?

(No.)

Alice: I didn't think you did.

Jenks: He walks in there and lay them back. He looked down in there and he said, "Well, come here. I got plenty of meat." I went to look