

SALT WELLS AT SALINA

(You know, I've heard about --- well, I don't know whether they called it radium spring or salt spring that used to be over there close to Salina...)

That was about a mile south of there.

(I remember seeing it, but ---)

Well, they covered it up.

(Did you see it when it was ---?)

Oh, I saw it many times - making salt.

(Making salt? That would have been interesting to see.)

I had one of those old big kettles around here for years.

Lady: You gave it to Minnie. Wonder what she did with it.

I don't know. She done away with it someway. She got tired of it.

(Well, how big were those kettles?)

Lady: Oh, they were about this big around.

(About 5 feet across and about 2½ or 3 feet high. Did you ever see any of that pipe? They were wooden.

(No, I never did see any of it.)

They dug up a lot of it there. It's - well, I don't know. It's about the size of this thing here and the joints were long as from here to the door. And it was cone shaped. You drive it in good and tight.

(Well, has not anyone preserved or kept any of it that you know of?)

No, I don't know of anyone unless it was ((name not clear))

Lady: Who was it that had some of that?...Just can't remember...

Oh, I saw lots of it. I could a got some of it, but I don't know, I imagine ((name not clear)) must've told him where that was. I had told him where it was and little old Pennington - no, not Pennington, but oh, Excise Board member in Salina...