

Cap White and his deputy, U. S. Marshall. And so they put me in jail. They was gonna send me anyhow. He says you won't say that before Cap White, and I said "get him in here and see if I don't". He come in and I told it just like it was. Cap never said a word. Then they turned me loose.

(Well all that happened over there on the flat wasn't it)

Yeah. Just the other side of the dam. Up on the south side of that. The old Wickliff home, big spring right there by that creek.

HOW SPAVINAW GOT ITS NAME. MORE ABOUT WICKLIFF BOYS

(How did Spavinaw get its name. Do you know?)

I sure don't know.

(It's not a Cherokee name is it?)

Well, no, I don't think it is. I think its Spanish name. Ain't it?

(I think so)

Anyhow, they'us a big bunch of Spaniards in here. They was cave men they live in them caves, that's cave country. That's the biggest cave in the United States. Eight miles through it. Them Wickliff boys went in that cave, they'us after'em you know. And they went too close to 'em and they didn't want to kill nobody. The boys went in that cave. Well, we've caught'em we'll just starve the sons "bitches" out, they said. And then 'bout four days them Wickliff boys walked right by 'em. One of 'em did. One of 'em was right, right at 'em. John. And 'course the others wuz down close. If they'd been a shootin, why hell, they'd a killed a dozen of them men. Stayed right in a crowd you know. They didn't want'em they just after that money.. They gettin five dollars a day and all the liquor they could drink and their feed. But old, what the devil,