

She tells that salt making at the Saline Creek Salt Lick was done in the fall of the year, just before hog killing time. No one recalls now who invented the piping system used to carry the saline water over the salt lick to the different boiling kettles. The idea was ingenious, and reflected the thinking and inventiveness of those pioneers. The pipeline of that day was made by using logs about five or six inches thick, which were hollowed out by some method. One end of the log pipe was coned, while the other end was taper bored. In this manner one pipe would be stabbed into the other, and being taper fit would be leakproof. Mrs. Whiteday does not remember how many of the salt boiling kettles were used but says they were scattered all over the lick. Each family would try to make enough salt to last all year. This did not become a tiresome job as one would think. It provided an opportunity to visit old friends, meet new people, trade and swap, and make for a pleasant two-weeks social.