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CANON HOLLOW SITE

Indian campsite - probably Woodland, uncovered on land being prepared for a parking lot on Shuylkill Metals Corporation property north of Forest City, Mo. on Route 111 some four and one-half miles. It is located about 1/4 mile east of 111 on Canon Hollow Road. The exposed portion of the site is on the north edge of the Shuylkill property on the south side of the Canon Hollow Road just past the entrance to the metal smelting plant entrance. The plant property description is as follows: SW 1/4, Sec. 12, T 60 N - R 39 W, Holt County, Mo.

The St. Joseph Museum was called when grading work exposed numerous artifacts. Among these were pottery, points, flint chips, scrapers, bone, axe fragments, a mono and house daub. The pottery is grit tempered and decorated.

Hollow (GREEN)
Canon Creek is just north of the known portion of the site and flows westward down a deep valley to the Missouri River flood plane. High loess hills to the north and west ~~make for~~ ^{ACROSS THE CREEK} ideal protection and it is assumed that the site ^{MAY HAVE} extends ^{WOULD HAVE PROVIDED} northward to those sheltering hills and possibly to some extent up and down the valley. Locals state that artifacts were found in the creek before silting began in the last few decades.

Mr. Harold Ellis, plant manager, donated all of the items that were found during and after grading and they have been added to those collected on the site by St. Joseph Museum personnel and will be available for study at the St. Joseph Museum.

~~A 35mm slide of this material is included with this report.~~ This material will be identified and marked on receipt of a site number.