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This information (L.D. Robertson Mine) is highly questionable. The location given is in the middle of the Equality lake plain, which is subject to annual flooding and thus a most unlikely site for à slope mine. The mine may have been located in Section 8, T. 10 S, R. 7E, where the Davis and DeKoven Coals are near the surface and have been strip-mined. Evidence for the Robertson mine, if it ever existed, may have been destroyed by later surface mining. The Colchester (No. 2) Coal is less than a foot thick - generally only a few inches - throughout Saline County, and has never been mined. However, it was common practice in the old days (and in the Dept. of Mines and Minerals up until a few years ago, when I corrected them), to refer to the Davis and DeKoven Coals as the "No. 2" and "No. 3" Coals, respectively.

