The old mine of the Consolidated Coal Company, located one mile southwest of New Salem was in this upper 6-foot coal bed, and was for several years the largest mine in Morton County, though it is no longer operated. What is doubtless the same seam has been mined in secs. 4 and 5, T. 138 N., R. 85 W., and also in secs. 34 and 35, T. 139 N., R. 85 W. (From 1912 Biennial Rpt. BAJ)