

corn" we used to call it.

(Could you make that parched corn with the yellow corn or white corn?)

Well, I tell you, after we move over here my boys, they used to parch that yellow corn. They used to just take little skillet and make fire out there where they're playing and they used to parch it, and boy, they used to eat it. But I never did eat it.

(Does this squaw corn grow to be real tall corn?)

Not very tall--about that tall. But this other grows high. We had Indian corn over here last year. We had about 10 rows of it. And we sold most of it. People used to come out and buy it. Dozen ears--two dozen. But we didn't dry any. I was too lazy to dry it. I'm not ashamed to say I was too lazy.

(Do very many people still plant that squaw corn?)

No. You know, it's scarce. We had some, and then I got that seed from Helen Spotted Wolf. I guess she had a little of it. Little can, and she give it to me and that's what we plant. And then most of these Indians, they took some--they save the seed. And I guess they ate it up. It's scarce.

(Is the Arapaho squaw corn anything like what the Caddoes and the Wichitas have?)

Same thing. Same thing. It's all the same thing.

PUMPKINS AND SQUASH

(You were saying they used to have pumpkins, too?)

Yeah, they used to dry pumpkins. You know, they used to take the rind off, and then they would cut them just round and round, and they were just like that rawhide rope they used to have. They used to hang them up to dry.

When it's dry, they used to put it away and that was their winter food, too.

(You mean when it was braided, it was braided like they used to braid those