

WILD ONIONS

No, but there's these wild onions. You always see them little stem of wild onions. They used to get them and eat them.

(What time of year would they get those?)

Well, during the summer. But they didn't dry them. They just get them when they want to eat them.

(How would they fix those to eat?)

They didn't fix them--they just--after they get them out of the ground they just like to get that little bump off and eat it.

(Did they ever use them, like in soup, or anything?)

No.

(What was the Arapaho name for those onions?)

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WILD GRAPES

(What about grapes--are there any wild grapes around here?)

They used to be--right over here where this dam is (at Cantonment), this way, we used to get grapes. But there ain't any now. No wild grapes.

(Did the Arapahoes used to gather those grapes?)

Oh yeah, they used to gather them.

(How did they fix those?)

Well, they used to dry them. Just mash and dry them. Used to use them to make gravy with.

(What time of year would they get the grapes?)

Used to get them in the fall, when they're good and ripe.

(Are those the kind that grow way up high in trees?)

Oh, they used to be on sand hills, you know. Just spread out on sand hills.

But those they get up on the tree, they're small. Just little. And of course they ate them, but they never did dry that kind.