

(What time of the year do you get them?)

In the fall. In the fall, after they kinda--September--no, October. In October.

(Is it before that fuzzy stuff comes out?)

Oh they don't come on all of them. We don't get those that's got that on there. We look for good ones that ain't got those there.

(Are they hard to find?)

Well, there was lots of them the year before, but last year there were lots of them everywhere. We went to Cleveland--oh, they have pretty ones up there. My boy don't even want me to look at them. I said why don't you take me over there and we going cut 'em and we can send 'em home on the train. He said, "No mom, you ain't going to fool with them!"

(Now, that Cleveland--?)

Cleveland, Ohio. They have pretty ones over there. And that's where they cut those water weeds too, in that Bethany--west of Oklahoma City and they got lots of that grass out there, but it's not tall enough.

(Like those mats were made of? What do you call that?)

I don't know what you call those weeds. I always call them "mats."

(Well, that's the kind you tell us you get down at Frederick sometimes?)

Yeah. See, there's lots of them over here, but they're too short. They have to be tall. That's what I was telling you. That's where there's good ones. I and my sister said I wish we could go out there and cut us some.

(Interruption)

(Well, if you didn't have to do much work--if your mother didn't make you do work with the cattail--when did you learn how to do it?)

Well, I guess we decided to learn how. I had a sister that could make me do things after I had children. She tell me how to do things. She even learn me how to tie those and I tied one and we made 'em. So one day we was tying