

(Flour sack. Do you still use flour sacks for things?)

Yeah, but they're little now. They little now. Unless, you buy 'em in the bakery. They have big flour sacks.

(What about plastic bags. Can you use plastic?)

I guess we can use 'em, but we never use 'em, yet.

(You said those beans are sorta speckled?)

Umhummm. They really good, you can cook 'em with sweet corn. Cook it and you can kinda mix them up on there. That be good.

(Gosh, I'm getting hungry. Well, now those beans--that kind of beans that you use--is that the same as some that you can go down and buy at the seed stores, or is it some that just the Indians have?)

This here what I'm talkin about, you can't find them in the store. But there is some, though. But they're just about that high. They not--They look somethin' like them. But they're beans, too, you know. But, these have big holes on there.* But these here--They're not big as those what I have.

(Then you just save some of them to plant every year.)

Yeah, umhum. And I just plant mine, let's see 'bout two years. And I just had those seeds. I guess they kinda all dried up or somethin'.

That's why they don't come up good. But, this time I'm gonna sure--If I raise 'em, I'm gonna save 'em.

(Well, did your mother used to plant beans too?)

Yes. Yeah, we had 'em long time. And I didn't use to like to pick 'em when I was a girl. They used to make us pick it. Way early in the mornings. In the mornings where it's cool and in the evenings. We don't pick 'em when it's 'bout noon. Round 'bout four o'clock, we pick 'em again.

* I think she means the Indian beans are spotted or speckled.