

(Who is the person that takes charge of distributing these herbs?)

Well, the older the men of that clan, the more competent they're considered to be, and there's different ones through the years, that I've noticed, or heard of that became, you might say, the best authority on that particular procedure.

(Well, the herbs that they're using to make their medicine--do they go out together to collect them?)

Yeah, they know the herb--the weed--or whatever it is. They know the roots of them. Sometimes the leaves, and sometimes they use whatever little berries grows on them. Mix them up.

(Do they have any particular time they go out and get these?)

They know when those things mature and then that's when they gather them, accumulate them, till the day is set for them to get together. Then they have them ready.

(Do all of the members of this clan gather herbs or just certain people?)

Oh yeah. Yeah. (They all gather them.) I forgot to mention--over here--you've been to Porter Hill? It's north of Lawton.

There's a filling station and house--it's a crossing. And you go west there to the Big Springs--that's where some of my folks live--about three miles west of there. There's Mary's home (Mary Poafpybitty). She's my niece. That's her parent's home.

There's a big spring there. It's a beautiful place. Trees grow around--grow in a circle, and that spring just bubbles all the time. I used to go over there and get this water cress, you know. The water cress just grows--oh, it's pretty there--clear and clean. I get my water cress there. I like water cress.

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