

buffalo blood. Antelope, deer. And sometimes the leftover stew--soup--would be tied in that bag--to keep.

(They'd take this with them when they went on the warpath?)

Yeah. And all you have to do is warm it up. That's a great big buffalo heart. Great big size. Carry about a gallon of water. And they kept a lot of things in that--like they kept--the women kept porcupine quills in there. And the men carried paint--red paint, blue paint--whatever--Indigo, or whatever it was. They carried that thing. You might say it's waterproof, and it's snag-proof.

(What else did those old men tell you that they used to have to do?)

Well, when they were rookies, they'd learn all that--cooking and mending--of moccasins, and all that, you know. And to skin antelope and deer. And cook turkeys. And bring in wood. And light the fire in the morning with flint--you know these flints. And whatever few dishes they carried--they had pouches for them--rawhide pouches--to carry on the saddle. And all those things. And when their bucksin gets wet, it het hard. Well, they'd have to resoften it again with a certain clay. Something like that, you know. To soften the hide and recolor it--just, you might say, clean it, you know. And certain powders of these minerals, they say, can rewhiten buckskin. Clean it. Clean grease spots out and all those things. All those things they did when they was young. Of course when they got to be up. (to) chiefs--recognition--they teach all other boys to do all those things--cook, Indian style, Mexican style--bread. And mostly boiled stews--stuff like that. Barbecue. They can have all the good fancy barbecue, but I like the Indian barbecue. Oh, you just can't beat that Indian barbecue!. They fix coals till there's no smoke comes out. Then they take two forked sticks about that far apart. Put a pole across and then they put the ribs over it, off the ground. And it get cooked and that fat start dripping--on the fire to bring smoke back and they'd reverse it, until it's done. They don't have to have no sauce on it. I don't care for those sauce. Just so it's got salt on it. Oh, it's wonderful food. I cooked that barbecue