

and you got them and mama would boil them awhile and then she'd fry'em awhile. It just tasted like meat of some kind. And course she put a little grease in them to make them season you know. But they was really good. And I just love to go up there--

(I would like to try that.)

I would just love to go back there in the month of November and gather me some mushrooms. Now there's a lot of people tells me, oh you get poisoned, I wouldn't eat them for nothing. But I've lived on them and I know what they are. They're really good eating.

(Is November the best month to get them or the only--)

November right around, yes in November and in the spring of the year they come out too. Just about now I imagine they're a few of them coming out.

(I've heard of Indian potato and I've never seen one or one of the tuberoots that grows in the hills, I'd like to found out what that is, I'd like to try and eat some of those.)

EARLY DAY INDIANS KNEW MANY KINDS OF ROOTS AND HERBS WHICH WERE GOOD FOR FOOD AND MEDICINE.

Yes. "I never--there's a lot of them that eats them but I never-- I mean a lot of stuff that the Indians did to collect them in those days that I--if I was paying attention, if I had enough sense to pay attention when I was growing up I would know all these things. But my mother use to go out and get these greens now, when it come green time she get different kinds of greens. She showed me but I don't nothing but poke and--I don't know--lamb quarter some other kinds, but now she get all different kinds of greens and put them up and they were the best things there ever was. But I didn't pay no attention to what she was gathering.