

sometimes. Then, after, they built grass houses, you know. They didn't put it in a village; just here and there, you know, like that (stretched out) Grass houses, and grass arbors.

(And were they spread out along a creek?)

GARDENING:

Well no. I don't know. Well, they just didn't give no allotments then, yet, just a kind of reservation, I think it was. Afterwards, along about in 1900, that's when the allotment system came in. People get land, you know. But still, mostly families camp one place and camp one place and camp one place like that. Different bunches.

(Did they have gardens up there, then?)

Oh yeah. That's I imagine that, I wouldn't know, but really all the Indians used corn. But we--mostly corn. Because I see 'em, you know, have a festival what you call. You know, whenever there's a good year, well they always did make something every year, you know, like corn, pumpkin, beans and watermelon. Well, sweet potato. That was all, you know, Indian--I don't know where they got that seed, I couldn't say. But the corn was given to the tribe. They had to use it, you know. Ah, my grandmother used to tell me, the time used to come when they harvest their corn, and when they dry it you know. They dry it and some roast it. You know, to keep, to keep. And theye--this corn, you know well they have time, well just like early in the spring, like now, maybe some has corn, you know. Has corn and they have what you might call feast. You know, corn, corn feast. They have it in the springtime, you know. Everythings green you know, beans pumpkin. I know they had that at one time, I just saw it one time, you know. People gather, gather you know. That's where I heard that, well we call it food song. Food song. They sang that. Somebody returning blessings. Well, they got some man there, well, they all knew the song, you know. They sing that song, you know. Right about noon, you know. But now days we don't eat on time. We won't eat on time. But my grandma, used to tell me, you eat at dinner. That's when the Almighty, he listens. That's what she used to give me