

Yeah, we saved some. After we raised it, you know, we saved it for next season for crops.

SQUAW CORN RAISED BY FRED'S MOTHER-HOW SHE GARDENED

(What about squaw corn--did you ever raise that?)

We raise a few. My mother does that. Yeah, she plants it by hand. She gets her ground ready. She takes one of those "Indian hoes", we call it --them big--make holes in there and just plant it in there, by hand.

(What do you mean by an "Indian hoe"?)

Oh, it's a big hoe, you know. Bigger than the hoe you buy in these hardware (stores). It's got bigger, wider blade.

(Is the blade made of metal?)

Yeah.

(Would this kind of hoe that she used be something that the Indians made, or did she buy it all ready?)

Buy it.

(How would she break her ground up? Like if she's gonna plant her squaw corn, how would she prepare her garden?)

She goes down there, and just like you would spade up your garden ground, you know. But she don't spade it up--she just dig it up with a hoe. Just fix her ground up that way and rake. She had a rake. And after that she go ahead and start digging holes. She dig one here, and here, just like that, along, you know. Make rows. Then she puts those grains in there. She used to have several rows made, of squaw corn. Oh, we buy the seed, too--squaw corn.

(Did you ever save that seed?)

Yeah, we saved some.

(When she made the holes and put the grains in, would she put more than one grain in a hole?)