

all those things for his benefit. Just like a neighborly service to him. Or maybe there was an old woman with no wood. Maybe his family's out of groceries. Maybe there's sick boy there that don't have no father--just a mother who was unable to provide such necessities for him. And maybe a boy or a girl might have a father and nomother. Well, those were attended by the tribe through the chiefs.

(What about today? Who takes care of those people?)

Well, the chiefs still have that problem. Like, if we have visitors--say, at one of our pow-wows--it happened two or three years ago, I noticed. There was some other tribe that sent a family from Wisconsin to come way down to attend this Arapaho pow-wow here at Carlton. Well, they got word that one of their loved ones back home was seriously sick, and they were limited on funds. A man and two or three women--something like that--maybe a family or two. Well, they didn't want to worry the people that they were visiting, yet everything was open to them. They reported that they got a message that some one of their loved ones back in Wisconsin was sick, seriously sick. The chiefs heard about that and they told it around. Then they announced it. First thing they wanted to do was go to all the camp--fill a sack, boxes, or cans--to get groceries for them. Like flour, sugar, coffee, meat, bacon--for that family that's visiting--provisions for them. Then when the tribe got together that day it was announced that that family that was here from Wisconsin had some worries because of a sick one at home. So they had a dance. One song, I think, was sung. They spread a blanket in the center. Everybody got up that wanted to donate--that dance--they go to that blanket. Put a dollar, or two dollars, or three dollars--they raised sixty or seventy dollars for their expenses back. And they also made arrangements so that that family could wire back that they were coming by the help of the Arapahoes' money--for them to be notified of how the condition was of the people there. The telegram came back that he was improving--it's not serious now. So by that, they didn't have no more worries. All those things like that. Sometimes maybe persons come to visit a certain party or member of the tribe. They probably wouldn't have no tent provided for them for their place--private interest--chiefs got together and probably got hold of a extra tent and put it up for them. Maybe a bed, or go in the house and bring out a bed, maybe two. And dishes. So they can carry