

close to them until the time they took my boy in there. Then I went and listened and oh, they were praying and doctoring in there. And you know white people used to say that Indians did not know the Lord. But I think they did. Ever since I can remember when they pray, it's always "Father up in Heaven." That's the way they pray. They never pray to nothing else down here, but the Lord, but lot of these preachers--some of them say that Indians never did know the Lord. But I think they did. Because every time I hear them pray anywhere--at the dance, at the hand-game, or if somebody is doctoring--it used to be "Our Father up in Heaven." That's the way they used to pray.

(Who was the person that doctored your boy?)

Young Bear was his name. He doctored my boy.

(Is he Arapaho?)

Yeah. He was the one that doctored him. He was the one they made sweat lodge for. He was the leader of it in there. And he doctored my boy. And ever since then my boy never did have that bleeding nose--he used to have bleed-nose. Yeah. So his grandmother put that sweat lodge up for that man to doctor him, and he did, and after that he never did have any nosebleed. But boy, he used to just be as pale as he could be. Nose would bleed. He got all right.

(Did they ever go in to this sweat lodge just to get themselves clean?)

Oh, yeah, some of them does. They just go in, you know, to sweat--have sweat bath, they always call it. They don't have to be sick to go in.

(Like if they were just taking a sweat bath, then, would they still pray or anything like that?)

Yeah, yeah. They pray long time. They pray. I tell you, these Arapahoes--as far as I know--they're a praying people. They pray all the time.