

(How would you translate that?)

"going through."

(Did they have any ideas about what would cause you to get like that?)

Well, they used to think--well, mostly, you know, it's in springtime or summer--time--eating green plums. And there used to be lot of this currants and grapes--stuff like that. That's what they used to blame. But they never did blame anything that we eat, you know--what we eat. And peaches--they used to blame peaches.

TREATMENT OF ILLNESS BY PRESSING ON BACK

(What were some other sort of common sickness--ailments that people would have?)

They would have gall stone trouble, like. But they didn't know it was gall-stone trouble. They used to have attack, you know, and they use to--what they used to do for this, they used to let them lay on their stomach. And right between their shoulders they used to press, like that. And that used to help them.

(That would be on each side of the back bone?)

Yeah. Each side of the back bone. With their thumbs they used to press.

(Who would do the pressing?)

Anybody--woman or man--could do it.

(You didn't have to call in an Indian doctor or--?)

No. We didn't have to call any. And they never did know what it was. And sometimes some of them used to die with it. They used to puke and puke and puke. Just puke it out. And they couldn't catch their breath. And then the last one they give out--when it's a black one--they used to say it was near death. And sure enough, after they puke that black stuff out they used to pass away. Maybe it was the gall that used to come out.

(Did they have a name for that in Arapaho?)

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