

(What would that mean?)

It means "it come up."

(What would be symptoms of this kind of ailment--before it got bad enough to where they were puking?)

Well, I don't know--they used to just groan and look like something was really hurting them. And they used to say it was come up, you know--something come up in lump. When it touches the heart, well, they say you couldn't breathe. Maybe they used to mean this--what you say, gas. See, they didn't know what it was. And then they had some kind of a--they go out in the fields. There was some kind of a weed. It's kind of gray, like. Gray leaves. And they used to boil it and give it to them. They used to check it.

(What was the name of that plant?)

They used to just call it "weeds."

(How do you say "weeds?")

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(This weed that they used for this, could they ever dry that or anything?)

I don't think they used to dry it. Because when they get sick like that and nobody had it, they used to just keep pressing. And sometimes they put their knees right against their back and hold them this way, you know.

(Now would the sick person be lying on a bed or on a pallet or something?)

They used to lay on a bed. On the bed. You know they had wooden beds. They had them willows. They sew them together, just like boards, and just lay on it.

(Then they'd press on them between their shoulders?)

Yeah, on each side.

(On each side of the back bone with their thumbs.)

Yeah. Press on it that way.

(And then sometimes they'd use their knee.)