

he eats anything sour like that you can kind of see that around his eye lids. They puff up, you know (words not clear). He can't eat so much of it, yet.

(Oh.)

I didn't have to bring him to the hospital.

(You mean they ask you not to do that when you've got dropsy?)

Yeah.

(Not when you're just taking that medicine.)

When you got the dropsy, ask you not to eat anything sour.

(I thought you meant at first, when you're taking that medicine.)

It's all the way through. From the time you're taking the medicine, too.

(Oh, I see.)

See, after you cured, I guess you could. But you know, now, with this particular one, you can still notice, too, that his eyelids get puffed up if he eats too much of anything sour. Like--

(Pickles or sour kraut or something.)

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Yeah. I didn't have to bring him. Well, with all of my children, they've, but now, I take them to the hospital because we don't live around where we can telephone anybody that knows anything.

(Get out in the woods.)

But when they were small, we never did have to use the hospital too much. Except for shots and things like that, you know. But the only things, maybe where we had to have a tooth pulled or tooth filled or something like that.

MULLEN USED FOR SWEAT BATH

(Well, Ida, I wanted to ask you, what they call mullet /mullen/, that big, thick, leathery leaf? Kind of grayish, whitish looking that grows here, out in the field. They call it mullet /mullen/. You know of