

Garfield: Uh. They had a lot of that terrible disease. That's just what the Bible said. Time comin'.

Man: They quarantine people you know. They had guards on the road and everything.

Yeah.

(During the flu epidemic you mean?)

Man: Yes and measles. Small pox too.

They had the small pox. I wouldn't pass. And they had you know, where they had them people all had small pox in there. In that building on the sidewalk, there they had a rope. Stretching out from corner to corner. And you, you wasn't supposed to go over there. Well, I didn't know. Wudn't payin' no attention. And there was a man over on the other street over there. And he hollered. When he hollered at me, he said, "You better come away from over there." You see if I'da went over that rope, they'd pulled me away.

(Um-hum.)

He hollered at me. That saved me. I'da be layin' there hollerin' right in the midst of 'em. No tellin' where I'd be now.

(Had you already had the small pox by then?)

No, ma'am. I don't think I had. They tell me that can't have but once. The small pox. 'Cause God knows I had it bad. Oh-h whee. Sores broke out all over.

(Did the rest of your family have it at the same time?)

Never did have it did you Ann?

Mrs. Shoals: I had it 2 or 3 times.

You did. You were healthy then. It just shows everybody don't have the same diseases everytime no how.

(Some people just have a lighter case I guess than others.)