

M: And a heaping teaspoon of Vick's Salve and melt it together and take a flannel rag, a square rag and wet it in that, and squeeze it out and put it hot to your chest and pin it to your gown or whatever you have on, you know, pin it to your clothes in other words, and that would stop a cough quicker than anything that I've ever seen and I've tried that. I have a, where I'm a living out now here seven years back, my oldest nephew, he stayed with us and worked for the state. And one night he come he had the worst cold that I've ever seen in my life and one night he come in and I said, I had give him ever thing I had and he couldn't sleep for coughing and I couldn't sleep either and he had to go to work the next morning, or he felt like he did, you know, and I said, well let's just fry a rag, you know, put this to you, and stop that. No, I'm not about to have that nasty mess on me. Then he went on to work the next day and come in the next night and he started again and I just didn't ask him. I went and fixed a rag together and just put them cloth and get drenched, squeezed it out, you know, and just layed it hot on his chest. Honey, he slept all night long and never coughed no more really after it'd had a little bit of time to work, now. And so the next, he just layed back the next morning, the next night he said, I'd better warm up and _____ my chest tonight. He said, I slept so good last night and then he'd take it off of a morning, you know, he didn't have to wear it, but I guess it opens up the bronchial tubes, I think that's what it does. But I never, that is, I have tried that. I vouch for that whether I vouch for any of the rest of this or not. So we called fried rag, but somebody else called it, I've heard other people call it something else but I don't know it. Fried, we always called it fried rag, that's all I knew to call it.

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P: How about _____, was there any _____

M: Nothing but quinine that I ever heard of anybody taking it, and Three-Six Tonic.

P: _____

M: Yeah. Uh huh. And we had plenty _____ I think, according to the way it tasted. You know it was bitter, quinine. But that's what we give for malaria when I was growing up, you know.

P: Yeah. That's what they gave my mother.

M: Uh huh.

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