

rent peoples. You know if you make them work, they get enough money to go drinking but you got to stop that circle. And I just wondered if there might be something that would prevent--)

Now I was going to the Post Office yesterday morning. The lady that was walking ahead of me, she stopped and talked--she stopped and wait for me and I walked up there and "Jess," she says. "Why is it that this town always arrest Indians? When they are peaceful? They might be drinking all right, but they arrest them and throw them in jail. Why?" She says. "Because they got the money," she says. "But why don't they arrest these boys--five or six of them go on the sidewalk on a bicycle. Colored men. Colored people. And some of them make noise on the street, go in the alley and threaten white boys-- Why don't they stop that?" And I said, "Maybe they're afraid of coloreds. I know they're afraid of coloreds."

(Who was the lady that was asking you that?)

She's a lady that works at the Insurance Office.

(Is she a white lady?)

White lady yeah. Her father's been here many, many years.

(When they arrest the Indians for being drunk, what do they do with them?)

They have Police Court over 'em. Fine 'em so much. And if the City--like there's farming or plowing or hay-making--or whatever is going on--some farmer come in there and volunteer to pay the fine of those boys--they go out and work it out. Otherwise if they don't get no jobs--couldn't find no money to pay for their fine --they confine 'em in the jail and they bring 'em to the restaurant, noon hour, and if there's girls in there they get a list of what they want--hamburgers or something like that and they come out and get it and take it to 'em in the jail. They have to wash their clothes in there and dry 'em up. And they won't allow 'em to change clothes.

(How many days do they usually get for that kind of offence?)

I've known some to get forty days, and three weeks, and two weeks and ten days. Depend on what they were accused for.

(Bobby: You said they could go out in the field though? They would not spend all their time in jail. They would be taken out and--)