

TAXES ON CITY PROPERTY

Irene: I think they can build them any way they want to. They got to already have the plans at the Agency. The people that has them has the plans. That's why I was telling you--they sent me over there to build one, but I didn't like the house. They said I didn't have to have the carport on there. I said I didn't need a carport--I could part it on the street. So they said I didn't have enough value to get a loan on it. The tax would just take it away from me if you don't pay tax. They say it's untaxable land--it's restricted land. It's a restricted lot, but still it's taxable, to the city. We pay tax to the city, every year. Since I know--since the old man-- But I don't see how Bill Achilta--he has land there that he don't pay tax on.

Jordan: In Anadarko?

Irene: Yes. I don't know how he don't it. That's how come I said, you just have to have some kind of pull right there. If they like you, they'll do it for you. If they don't like you--I think that's the way they operate. Or else I don't know how it goes. My mother paid her tax on it. But right now I read in the paper where Gertie's getting sued for her personal tax. That's fourteen dollars. From last year. It came out in the Anadarko paper. There was quite a few names on there, isn't it? Twelve or fourteen dollars.

Jordan: Great heavens. I don't even know what personal tax is.

Irene: Well, it's for your refrigerator and your deep freeze and your hot water tank.

Birdie: Well, do you pay personal tax, too?

Irene: I don't. She does, because she's the one that gets the home exemption on the house.

Birdie: Well, you'll have to tell her--maybe they'll get her on the jury.

Get her name in the pot. Then they won't be sending so many Indians to prison.