

or their family in the state of Oregon. So, you know, I talk over there, and she was a little French woman and her husband went for a dollar and a half--I mean he went for three years for a dollar and a half.

(Well, I don't understand--)

You bet your bottom-dollar, well now one of the grocerman down there wrote a check and he didn't know his wife had wrote one and she took that, you know, she was the one that took the last bit of the money. And -- and he went for a year. You know, he wanted to pay it back, but he done it before, see, done it before, so they, you know, but the first, second time, they let him make it up. But anyway the rest of those, men the 3600 were so-called nice, elite white--there was senators, judges, lawyers, doctors, most of the men that was in that penitentiary were educated men. Above the high school and most of them college graduates. And why, gall I don't know now you check you just go down here and check--. Now in Oklahoma, most of these people in the penitentiary are not actually in the penitentiary--they you know, cause their kids, you know, teenagers, but you go to that penitentiary and if you can get the truth, course its very hard to get the truth, but if you could find somebody that you could talk too, that would tell you the truth that's been in there, I mean a real prisoner, most of those guys, their not ignorant, illiterate men--they say they are, but their not, you know, what I mean? The news papers writes 'em up that way, their not. Most of those boys has had enough schooling to know, you know how to get along in this world, and make a good living. They just want a big money quick and that's all there is to it. Or they get out and do somethin' foolish and maybe get on a drunk see, but the most of them whites. You go back east and we used to live about three doors from 'em, when Burk was in the army. And when we lived in a penitentiary, I mean in a Philadelphia, a big penitentiary there--just out of the edge of Philadelphia-- I don't know the name of it, but we just lived there a little bit, we lived there 3 or 4 days till we could find us a better place, you know. But 90% of 'em white. You go anywhere now Mississipp and all the southern states, big part of them colored. But not because they did somethin' really wrong, it was because that they black, And you go down there and talk and they put, all of 'em put, on a big front. And that they treat--I got some good friends, I mean some good friends out in Oregon that are