

Oklahoma this still out of commission. He had gotten his commission under Red Phillips. As a member of the state. He said that the vice-president of the Fayetteville Bank, Fayetteville, Arkansas, had embezzled some money. And he was gonna have it covered up by one of his gangs from the Cooksin's, Hill's, and taking the robbing the bank. Well, they didn't realize what it was all about. But anyhow--

(These were primarily moon-shiners?)

Well, they had done a number of things, I don't know what all they did. I have no evidence. I took them at face value. That's what when I went out to the Cooksin Hills in '37, that's the way I went I said. Because it's the difference between the sheriff and the pastor is--the pastor had to trust people, until they show they are no longer worthy of trust. The sheriff is gonna suspicion everybody. In otherwords, he's gonna look everybody over, well, you know he the-- about police officers in crusiers, they eye you real carefully. When you meet them -- a pastor can't do that. I mean you have to try to help people, your not going to try to knock them down.

(Well, do they ever go to rob the bank?)

Yes, this is what I'm going to tell the rest of the story. These fellows went up to the bank and robbed it. And then he said he had already had taken this out. And this was a cover-up. But these fellows were so honorable that they never did snitch on him. They sat out their penitentiary sentence, in Tucker Falls, and well this fellow had done the fellow I'm talking about that did the investigation of the bank. Was hired by the president of the bank. And when they found out that the vice-president had been embezzling, they just squashed the whole thing. Course they watched him from then on, and he never did do it