

is the case up here--you know the Pratt family? There's thirteen living in a little old four-room (house) out there, and--I'm on my own. I'm not getting anything out of it--just takes a lot of my time and headaches, and so on--but I did tell them that I would supervise the moving and getting the house set down and everything done right. Because if you take an Indian that goes out here and makes a contract for this house mover, they'll double the price on them. They'll say they're gonna have to have the money before they ever start--yeah. And this way I make my contract with the house mover, and I know what it's got to be to be in line, and these fellows that's doing the other work, I make the bid on to check the power and they're paid a culpable hour wage and everything's going to be done-- This money, if he has to put up his-- He and his wife has to put up double the amount of one child. They can draw twenty percent of that child's money, but the mother and the father has to put up double that amount of one child. And they're gonna let them put up eleven hundred and sixty-two (\$1162) dollars and then they'll draw this much money--thirty-seven hundred (\$3700)-- out of the children's money. (He's talking about how this Pratt family of 13 can buy a new house and have it moved onto their place, and use part of the children's per capita shares of this payment to pay for the house and having it moved--j)

(You know, I was interested in what you were saying about having to pay double-- has this been going on a long time or just since the claims payment--?)

SQUANDERING OF CLAIMS MONEY AND ARRESTS OF INDIANS TO GET THEIR MONEY

Bob: No. It's that he has no conception of the estimate of what the actual value is. If he's got money-- Now let me show you here, Jess, what happened when he had this money here. One Indian went into the county jail up here and he had his pockets full of money. Saw these prisoners in there and didn't even know them. "How much is his fine?" "Twenty dollars." "How much is his fine?" "Thirty-eight dollars." "Turn them loose." "Here you are and turn 'em loose!" And one fellow--was it old Donald?--walked in down here and paid five boys twenty-dollar fines with a hundred dollar bill--plunked a hundred dollar bill