

Tape 9, Track B

0:00:00.060,0:00:11.580

...sterling silver chain. I had
bottles full of each color of bead. I had

0:00:11.580,0:00:19.470

a back-order of about 12 rosaries at the
time. I was selling medals hand over fist

0:00:19.470,0:00:26.820

because I was making them--I had made
them--and Father Cosmas asked me to do

0:00:26.820,0:00:34.860

this. I had made them--a certain of the
Catholic medals reasonable enough that

0:00:34.860,0:00:44.789

any man could buy a good sterling silver...
sterling silver medal for a month's salary--

0:00:44.789,0:00:51.120

for \$4.00. So I would buy them at
around \$3.50 and I would make only \$.50--

0:00:51.120,0:00:57.120

if that--and they'd go to Father
Cosmas and he'd give him a chain. He had

0:00:57.120,0:01:06.150

a hook in his office with chains, one for
the aluminum type, one for the sterling

0:01:06.150,0:01:11.159

silver type, and he gave them away. And
that he took that out of his salary, you see, or

0:01:11.159,0:01:22.740

his stipend, whatever he might say, but
we had a sort of a beautiful agreement

0:01:22.740,0:01:30.390

going here because we wanted these men to feel their religion and we wanted to

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encourage it. He knew I was in this
business for the money but he also knew--

0:01:34.470,0:01:41.670

well, he recognized, I guess, that I had
some kind of feeling more than just

0:01:41.670,0:01:47.270

trying to scalp somebody or beat
somebody out of some money. So when you...

0:01:47.270,0:01:51.840

when you left the... when they took you back in the middle of the night, you had all this

0:01:51.840,0:01:57.810

stuff in the...? Well, it was in my cell
and a number of things were on display

0:01:57.810,0:02:07.560

in the inside showcase and the outside
visiting room showcase. Almost all of

0:02:07.560,0:02:13.250

this stuff was stolen. By whom I can't
say--guards, inmates...

0:02:13.250,0:02:19.860

There was at least \$200 worth of
material stolen, some of which was made

0:02:19.860,0:02:26.940

up. Of course the medals, it's like
a coin. Many of them had chains on them,

0:02:26.940,0:02:32.610

some of them were just plain medals.
A crucifix, a sterling silver crucifix that

0:02:32.610,0:02:41.250

tape that Ariane had, was the big
output, is worth just in the weight of

0:02:41.250,0:02:45.840

the sterling silver about \$3.00.
The other \$2.00 put into the

0:02:45.840,0:02:52.050

crucifix are the beads and the chain--and
the, the eye pin. But the crucifix alone

0:02:52.050,0:02:58.080

was \$3.00 just, just if you'd
melt it down... So it was all stolen? You never

0:02:58.080,0:03:05.010

got any of it back? Some of it I got back.
I can show you a few--you didn't get your Christmas

0:03:05.010,0:03:08.910

letter back--well, I didn't get the
Christmas letter back, and that my

0:03:08.910,0:03:17.940

typewriter was stolen--it has a waking alarm clock that Sam had--yeah, Sam had given me a nice little

0:03:17.940,0:03:26.150

travel clock, alarm clock. I had a brand-new Bulova watch: waterproof, shockproof

0:03:26.150,0:03:31.540

beautiful Bulova watch that my cousin and Frank

0:03:31.580,0:03:38.280

Burns had given me for anesthetic--for use in anesthesia, which I used only

0:03:38.280,0:03:49.470

as a, in surgery... All that was stolen? That was all stolen, and we asked about it and got a

0:03:49.470,0:03:55.620

lot of double-talk.

Of course our problems were bigger than

0:03:55.620,0:04:01.430

this at the time, but at the same time it seemed that my cell was left open and

0:04:01.430,0:04:10.580

I was a--the people were invited to take this material.

0:04:11.069,0:04:20.190

So that's it. I still have a few little things upstairs that, that I saved if

0:04:20.190,0:04:29.280

you'd like to take a look. We can do that later. Yeah, we can't very well look at it on tape, but I have

0:04:29.280,0:04:35.570

one or two things up there that I put in the--in my strongbox just, just to save.

0:04:35.570,0:04:41.840

We're almost through with this tape... I'm gonna go upstairs a second.