

Tape 26, Track A

0:00:00.960,0:00:08.560

July or Easter we were able to go out on the yard and uh with a few other men who were given

0:00:08.560,0:00:18.080

this privilege uh play uh uh baseball uh hit out flies or throw the football around there

0:00:18.080,0:00:22.800

are only about 10 of us the rest of--the guys are locked in their cells--that's right and

0:00:24.080,0:00:31.600

this was quite a change and it's quite something to turn this down really because it's

0:00:32.880,0:00:38.320

well it's not freedom but it's freedom compared to that uh cell with three other men where you

0:00:38.320,0:00:44.160

bump into each other every time you want to put your shoes on so if two men want to get down

0:00:46.080,0:00:50.800

in that one cell and do anything say one man wants to go to the can and the

0:00:50.800,0:00:56.800

other man wants to wash his hands or get a drink of water it's physically impossible

0:00:57.600,0:01:01.840

you've got to wait for the other man that's all--so in retrospect you were you glad you

0:01:01.840,0:01:08.720

you took the job there--well I wasn't uh glad to give up the good time but I was relieved

0:01:08.720,0:01:15.920

in a way to get a little air and get a little sun and wear clean clothes I had a clean pair of white

0:01:17.040,0:01:26.560

trousers and white uh top scrub clothes every day twice a day if I wanted in the hot weather

0:01:26.560,0:01:34.560

I'd put on I'd wear my scrub clothes surgery and take a shower and put on clean clothes and uh

0:01:36.720,0:01:45.280

go eat and then and we had a free pass to the yard every evening well this was unheard of in

0:01:45.280,0:01:49.040

my other situation twice a week if we were lucky

0:01:50.800,0:02:00.160

maybe for sure once and if it rained then we were screwed out of that uh and I'd go out and

0:02:00.800,0:02:07.840

maybe lift weights and then go back and change again if I wanted to and I would usually sleep

0:02:08.640,0:02:13.200

in my whites so that if there was an emergency I could pop up and be there

0:02:14.000,0:02:20.000

jump jump into my shoes and I was on the--well you were then you were sort of the doctor

0:02:21.440,0:02:26.160

in charge when there was no other uh was there another doctor there usually--well Dr. Swenson uh

0:02:26.800,0:02:34.720

uh put me more or less in charge and uh when Dr. Walker relieved Dr. Swenson actually Dr. Swenson

0:02:34.720,0:02:44.400

was was covering for Dr. Walker while he was in the army Dr. Walker is a negro surgeon who is the

0:02:44.400,0:02:50.800

resident surgeon down at the penitentiary and is a fine surgeon great--what was his first name--

0:02:51.360,0:02:58.880

Watson--Watson Walker--Watson H. Walker so these--fine man--these men did not sleep in the--

0:02:59.520,0:03:04.720

no he was called resident surgeon but he slept at home and he had a practice at home

0:03:05.440,0:03:09.200

and uh he would come in in the morning do a surgery hold a clinic and leave

0:03:10.400,0:03:17.440

and uh he left orders that and if there was any problem that came up I should say both of them

0:03:17.440,0:03:22.480

uh eventually as they developed confidence in my judgment and the fact that I wasn't

0:03:22.480,0:03:28.800

trying to undermine them or do anything but help the poor slobs in the bed or on a table

0:03:31.360,0:03:37.840

they realized I was just a victim of circumstance and that I still was a

0:03:37.840,0:03:45.200

doctor and so they both eventually uh left
orders to call on me but this put me in the

0:03:45.200,0:03:52.320

middle a little bit because the officials didn't
go for this not uh Warden Alvis did but he left--

0:03:53.520,0:04:00.000

when did he leave after you've been there
how long--well I had been there about uh

0:04:00.000,0:04:05.920

a year and a half no I shouldn't say
that I had been there about four years

0:04:08.400,0:04:16.400

when Warden Alvis left and by that time
we had gone beyond the Johnny McCormick

0:04:16.400,0:04:23.440

incident and there had been an
incident uh where a man died of uh

0:04:26.000,0:04:30.000

taking a bad alcohol isopropyl alcohol

0:04:31.840,0:04:38.080

this man tied [?] that I had had to knock
in the mouth because he stole pentothal

0:04:40.480,0:04:51.280

told a story on me that uh that I had given
one of these Grambo boys alcohol no pentothal

0:04:54.400,0:05:02.880

and that the older Grambo boy shared it with
Bill Miller who was the editor of the paper

0:05:02.880,0:05:05.280

at the time this was four years later

0:05:07.360,0:05:14.880

or four and a half and that Bill Miller in
taking too much was dying he was obviously dying

0:05:15.600,0:05:21.680

or in bad shape he had lost his eyesight well of
course the loss of eyesight should have told these

0:05:22.800,0:05:29.680

idiots this Dr. Brooks who ought to be he
couldn't I wouldn't let him treat my cat

0:05:30.880,0:05:37.840

he couldn't cut the toenail from my cat it should
have told him that this is an alcohol poisoning

0:05:40.160,0:05:46.640

when a when a person loses their eyesight
and is still alive the very obvious or most

0:05:46.640,0:05:53.840

usual thing is a poisoning and usually usually
it's a methyl or isopropyl alcohol poisoning

0:05:53.840,0:06:00.880

I mean you know this as a layman as an intelligent
layman you've seen it of course well this doctor

0:06:01.600,0:06:07.120

is so stupid that he went
along with the authorities

0:06:10.160,0:06:20.400

a think report from [?] that I had given
pentothal to Ted Grambo the older Grambo boy

0:06:22.000,0:06:30.240

and that uh he had shared with Bill Miller who
is a who at the time was a the editor of the uh

0:06:31.200,0:06:35.200

penitentiary paper and a fink from the word go

0:06:36.720,0:06:41.200

a guy that Ted Grambo wouldn't
give the sweat off of his

0:06:43.760,0:06:48.880

testicles to but uh the point is that uh

0:06:51.920,0:06:59.200

they went for the story--the prison
officials--right uh the deputy ward went

0:07:00.160,0:07:08.080

for the story and not telling now I don't say all
the officials because Warden Alvis was still there

0:07:09.920,0:07:15.840

he was not informed of this and Mr. Maxwell who

0:07:17.360,0:07:20.480

in the long run and later was
right by me but at this time

0:07:22.400,0:07:28.000

uh was not uh right in my opinion
he jumped the gun in other words

0:07:28.960,0:07:34.480

he went by his fink's report he he found
that this [?] was so reliable evidently

0:07:37.680,0:07:47.520

and he had been in the past I guess that uh he
believed what this time said so I was removed from

0:07:47.520,0:07:55.600

my job summarily I had no nothing to say about
it I I wasn't even asked to comment one way or

0:07:55.600,0:08:06.560

the other I was merely moved out of the hospital
and put on a not quite solitary confinement I

0:08:06.560,0:08:14.640

was put in a double cell with an old man who
was awaiting transfer to another institution

0:08:15.760,0:08:25.600

and it was just before Christmas and my Christmas
box that had come from home was just dumped into

0:08:25.600,0:08:35.040

the cell and all my personal things were torn up
and thrown on the floor just like they were trash

0:08:37.280,0:08:40.320

and they then investigated

0:08:40.320,0:08:47.760

well as I say Bill Miller who was an older
man he was about 55 at that time white-haired

0:08:50.640,0:08:56.240

was blind and going through the throes of agony

0:08:58.800,0:09:01.200

and he died

0:09:04.720,0:09:10.720

by then the warden of course became acquainted
with uh some of the things that were happening

0:09:14.000,0:09:23.440

the problem was that uh Ted Grambo came
into the hospital he actually before

0:09:23.440,0:09:33.920

I was removed he complained to me of uh illness
uh cramping in his abdomen and uh trouble with

0:09:33.920,0:09:40.560

his eyes his eyes were fuzzy and he had the
light hurt his eyes and I asked him if he'd

0:09:41.280,0:09:50.000

taken any of this alcohol that I knew
had been given out from the laboratory

0:09:50.000,0:09:56.480

uh of the hospital and he said yes he had taken
some but he didn't tell me anything about Bill

0:09:56.480,0:10:01.280

Miller that he had had anything or anything
about it I didn't know anything about Bill Miller

0:10:02.000,0:10:09.120

didn't care anything about it well anyway
Ted Grambo obviously was ill I knew he had

0:10:09.120,0:10:14.320

taken this alcohol I had been offered some
of this I smelled it and it smelled bad to me

0:10:14.320,0:10:21.600

I tasted it just the tip of my finger
and I wouldn't have any of it uh

0:10:24.640,0:10:28.800

two or three of the other men said oh we've
been around for years we know it's good and

0:10:30.160,0:10:34.160

I said okay you drink it if you
want you ask my opinion I told you

0:10:34.160,0:10:41.040

it's bad I can't name the type alcohol but
it's not ethyl and ethyl is the only kind

0:10:41.040,0:10:46.240

you better drink or you're going to be
in trouble and I walked away but anyway

0:10:46.960,0:10:51.840

Ted had taken some so he asked me what to do
and I said you check in the hospital and I'll

0:10:52.800,0:11:00.720

tell the head nurse what to do which he did and I
prescribed the course of treatment and I got him

0:11:00.720,0:11:07.040

a pair of sunglasses to wear to protect his eyes
while he was recovering and luckily he didn't he

0:11:07.040,0:11:13.840

hadn't taken as much as this other man had and of
course he was younger and in better shape anyway

0:11:16.080,0:11:24.320

so the story went out that I had treated my
friend and let this other man go to pot well

0:11:26.160,0:11:31.520

be that as it may uh that's not the truth
I didn't even know of Miller's illness

0:11:32.880,0:11:42.240

and uh neither did Ted at the time but uh when
Bill Miller died he of course was a coroner's case

0:11:42.240,0:11:51.840

he was autopsied and instead of pentothal
which was the fink's report they found alcohol

0:11:54.320,0:11:56.960

and there was no uh

0:12:00.400,0:12:05.680

well there was no uh material in
the alcohol that would suggest

0:12:06.640,0:12:15.440

uh a rub down room type rubbing alcohol which would pin Ted Grambo down because he worked in

0:12:15.440,0:12:24.960

the officer's rub down room at the time it's a very complicated story but it all hooks in

0:12:27.440,0:12:33.520

so it was became very obvious that this alcohol had to come either from the outside or from

0:12:33.520,0:12:39.840

the hospital laboratory--which what'd they do there--they didn't do a goddamn thing there oh you

0:12:39.840,0:12:45.760

mean what did they--what kind of a laboratory--I mean well they did tests on blood and they they

0:12:45.760,0:12:54.320

used convict help but they had some rather uh intelligent uh men who had been convicted

0:12:54.320,0:13:02.000

of well uh child murder type things--this was not part of the hospital--yeah it was right in

0:13:02.000,0:13:09.360

the hospital it was right well it was right on the entrance to the surgical suite--okay--and

0:13:09.360,0:13:19.840

they ran the blood tests the urine analysis uh blood chemistry examinations cholesterols uh

0:13:21.040,0:13:27.760

carbon dioxide combining power tests and all these things and in doing so they would

0:13:28.560,0:13:32.640

they tried to make their tests more and more complicated so that they could get

0:13:32.640,0:13:39.280

material like alcohol well they used both ethyl and isopropyl and some methyl alcohol

0:13:42.560,0:13:50.880

well as it so happened some of the boys were trying to muscle this uh technician in the

0:13:50.880,0:13:55.760

laboratory out of his alcohol just like I was trying to be muscled out of pentothal

0:13:56.720,0:14:02.400

well I had more muscle than the guy in the in the laboratory so instead of instead of

0:14:04.800,0:14:11.760

working with weights and fighting for it like
I did he got slick and left some out that was

0:14:12.640,0:14:19.600

supposed to be good to drink but it was lethal
and he taught them a real nice little lesson

0:14:21.360,0:14:28.560

you see and he couldn't fight for it he just
wasn't big enough but he maybe he did I don't

0:14:28.560,0:14:35.040

know I I just couldn't do this sort of thing but
this is the way the convict mind works and he left

0:14:35.040,0:14:42.080

a big cylinder of alcohol and you could smell it
with obviously alcohol but to me there was that

0:14:43.680,0:14:53.360

fusel oil a slight odor and taste if you've
ever tasted torpedo juice or something well

0:14:53.360,0:15:01.920

torpedo juice is really straight ethyl usually
but they have sometimes used uh variations anyway

0:15:03.920,0:15:10.320

he used this method and the guys bited on it bit
on it and then came to me and asked me for

0:15:10.320,0:15:16.880

my opinion I gave it to them and several
of them wouldn't take it and Ted Grambo

0:15:18.960,0:15:26.240

was not there at the time but he took the
opinion of somebody else who said it was okay

0:15:26.240,0:15:31.600

the Bill Miller was there at the time
and he knew it was okay and he slugged

0:15:31.600,0:15:36.560

it and slugged it and slugged it and
I didn't know who did and who didn't

0:15:36.560,0:15:42.640

because I walked away I didn't want to know
I know I wanted no part of this but anyway

0:15:42.640,0:15:50.560

on autopsy it proved that he died of alcohol
poisoning there was no menthol or no uh

0:15:53.600,0:15:57.520

of the uh other material I
forget the stuff they put in uh

0:15:58.320,0:16:07.200

the aromatic material they put in for rub down the hot stuff uh--wintergreen--yeah oil wintergreen

0:16:07.200,0:16:17.600

right which is put in all of the isopropyl or methyl or butyl sometimes butyl alcohol

0:16:18.480,0:16:25.760

that was sent in from the drug room outside to the rub down room it was always denatured with

0:16:26.400,0:16:34.160

with oil or wintergreen and other denaturants beyond what was there in the first place

0:16:34.720,0:16:41.920

so this got Ted Grambo off the hook got me off the hook but neither of us complained

0:16:42.640,0:16:47.360

of course it then became there was a lot of heat on the laboratory

0:16:48.000,0:16:54.960

and what happened there is another story the guy got out from under as the uh story goes

0:16:56.000,0:17:03.520

uh he's a man that happened to be one of their agents and so they didn't prosecute--did they

0:17:03.520,0:17:11.440

move you out of the--well I had been moved out of the hospital already so uh the deputy warden

0:17:11.440,0:17:19.920

instead of putting me back in the hospital and restoring me to my former position and this was

0:17:22.320,0:17:23.280

soon after I had

0:17:26.480,0:17:26.980

been

0:17:29.120,0:17:39.360

in the hospital you see uh he claimed well I had been eating too many meals in the hospital

0:17:41.120,0:17:49.840

I had been eating meals from trays of patients who couldn't uh who couldn't eat for instance uh meals

0:17:49.840,0:17:53.520

that had been ordered for patients who were going to surgery and of course when they came back they

0:17:53.520,0:17:58.960

couldn't eat so I would often just eat a tray instead of going over the dining hall well he

0:17:58.960,0:18:03.680

claimed this was a bad thing all of a sudden
and uh--because after you've been there four

0:18:03.680,0:18:11.760

years in the hospital--no no this was after I had
been there uh the warden was there four years oh

0:18:12.560,0:18:19.680

but this was after I had been there approximately
a year just short of a year it was before

0:18:20.560,0:18:28.240

the second Christmas I was in the in the joint in
the place and I'm afraid I was a little confusing

0:18:28.240,0:18:36.240

there because I I wanted to come back and explain
this--okay--uh it was just short of the first

0:18:36.240,0:18:42.880

year in the hospital when all this occurred
but it was following the McCormick incident

0:18:45.200,0:18:45.700

now

0:18:48.000,0:18:57.520

I was therefore sent to the print shop and
I was and this was just before Christmas

0:18:59.040,0:19:02.800

of that year and I was assigned as a

0:19:06.400,0:19:13.840

a sorter I think they call it a all I did was
separate sheets you know put the green here

0:19:13.840,0:19:23.120

and the orange there and the blue there and the
yellow where else for different departments of the

0:19:23.120,0:19:30.400

so-called system and it was interesting that
I then became active with the basketball team

0:19:30.400,0:19:36.720

at the print shop and we beat the hell out of
the team that I had been on before and won the

0:19:36.720,0:19:43.840

championship in this uh intramural group which is
no big thing but it was a lot of fun and I became

0:19:44.960,0:19:52.240

vigorously active in the basketball group--
well how long you stay in the print shop--

0:19:52.800,0:20:05.840

uh only about six weeks uh Captain Corbin who
then became who was then the officer in charge of

0:20:09.920,0:20:10.880
classification

0:20:13.200,0:20:14.960
in other words job assignment

0:20:18.080,0:20:22.960
called me over and told me in so many words
that the warden was very unhappy with the

0:20:22.960,0:20:28.320
way I'd been treated--the deputy warden had
been Maxwell that treated you this way--yes

0:20:29.280,0:20:37.120
uh but on the basis of this fink and on the basis
that he thought he had the real material until

0:20:37.120,0:20:44.080
the autopsy came--but that was only a week later a
couple days later--well um yeah then he he he did

0:20:45.360,0:20:52.400
more or less give me a bad deal when he tried
to save his own face by saying well I had eaten

0:20:52.400,0:20:58.720
too many meals in the hospital and this and that
and tried to use some other excuse for moving me

0:21:01.680,0:21:02.400
but uh

0:21:07.040,0:21:10.480
also of course I I guess I had
embarrassed some of his agents

0:21:11.200,0:21:17.120
his finks in the hospital and he of course
didn't like this but anyway Captain Corbin

0:21:18.880,0:21:30.080
uh who had been a yard captain a man that just run
he'd been out in the yard and had been a strict uh

0:21:30.080,0:21:36.160
person sort of on a military basis
run made sure that the companies

0:21:36.160,0:21:40.000
get to the dining hall in the proper
time and get out the proper time and

0:21:40.000,0:21:49.200
back to their cells and so forth uh his uh
intelligence was recognized and he was elevated to

0:21:52.000,0:21:55.440
the personnel actually they
call it a personnel officer

0:21:56.400,0:22:06.160

because Koloski was made deputy warden inside
because the deputy warden outside the one who

0:22:06.160,0:22:11.840

assisted lord now was outside had died I
forget his name he was a prince of a guy

0:22:12.800,0:22:19.920

as far as I know he had a kidney problem and
had died and so Maxwell went out to assist

0:22:23.520,0:22:32.160

Warden Alvis Koloski became deputy warden
inside Captain Corbin became the uh

0:22:33.040,0:22:41.920

personnel officer and he asked me if I would
go to work for him and if I could type well now

0:22:41.920,0:22:49.840

he called me over only about two weeks after all
this big deal happened and let me know that I had

0:22:49.840,0:22:55.840

nothing on my record that was bad and that there
was no question but that I had been bum-rapped

0:22:56.800,0:23:02.720

but and that there was a certain appreciation that
I hadn't made a big stink and called my family and

0:23:04.000,0:23:07.840

tried to make a big thing out of this

0:23:09.280,0:23:12.480

and I said well I had learned to type
in high school but I wasn't too hot

0:23:12.480,0:23:17.520

right now he said do you have a typewriter at
home and I said yes he said well send for it and

0:23:18.480,0:23:28.640

and learn and work on it he said and in two to
four weeks I'll have you over here and uh on on

0:23:28.640,0:23:37.360

about the three and a half week period time I
was up in the gym playing our final basketball

0:23:37.360,0:23:47.200

game and the new editor of the paper a fellow by
the name of Vince Dalshak(?) who is also a lifer

0:23:48.880,0:23:56.560

for a murder stick-up uh came up and told me that
I was uh had just been assigned to the personnel

0:23:56.560,0:24:02.240

offices which was supposed to be a big thing
because then I had the free run of the of the

0:24:02.240,0:24:13.360

penitentiary I was then again on this uh holiday
uh free uh recreation group I could come and go

0:24:13.360,0:24:22.720

from the office I had a pass that went until 8:00
in the winter and 9:00 in the summer and could

0:24:22.720,0:24:31.840

come and go from the dormitory and had enough
freedom and cleanliness to to have a little more

0:24:38.080,0:24:42.640

I don't know it seems when a man is able to keep
himself clean and change his clothes every day

0:24:43.840,0:24:46.800

he has a little more regard
for himself or self-respect

0:24:47.920,0:24:53.200

uh you can maintain your self-respect between
those doors when you're there's three days at

0:24:53.200,0:25:02.320

a time and when you can't even go to
the can but it's uh better if you can

0:25:02.320,0:25:13.840

clean yourself up and shave and keep keep
at least within the limits of uh human care

0:25:15.280,0:25:22.960

I might say here it's interesting that one
man at one time was put in on the psycho ward

0:25:24.880,0:25:31.920

of the penitentiary because he wrote a writ of
habeas corpus based on the fact that the men

0:25:33.280,0:25:37.280

in these four-man cells are given less room

0:25:39.040,0:25:47.440

than the average hog is supposed to get
in on a farm in the United States for the

0:25:49.040,0:26:00.080

ideal development of proper hog welfare and
he had the farm the statistics from the uh

0:26:01.120,0:26:08.480

uh he actually did this and he had the statistics
from the the department of agriculture on how many

0:26:08.480,0:26:19.760

feet are supposed to be available per hog you see
for the welfare and well-being of this hog or any

0:26:19.760,0:26:28.560

individual hogs and of course the the footage
is far short of this for the human existence in

0:26:29.360,0:26:35.280

uh the average cell in the
penitentiary--like I told you uh my aunt

0:26:35.280,0:26:40.505

was [?] was in Russian imprisonment--speak
up--I don't know if you can use that but--

0:26:40.505,0:26:44.000

well say it--they had they
were forced by the Russians to

0:26:44.000,0:26:49.840

wash the pigs with milk--your
aunt--yeah a very young aunt of mine and

0:26:50.800,0:26:56.080

she had her two little children with her and
there were lots of other women with babies and

0:26:56.080,0:27:00.400

they didn't get any milk they were
lucky if they get some got some water

0:27:00.960,0:27:08.000

and their job was to wash the pigs with milk I
mean that that almost reminds me of something

0:27:08.000,0:27:15.280

like that you know--well it's a it's a good
parallel--yeah that's the uncultivated uh

0:27:15.280,0:27:22.000

part of the world that we're always referring to
right--yes well I think this is important because

0:27:24.400,0:27:35.680

we don't realize some of the archaic methods
that are being used on some of our own people now

0:27:38.080,0:27:40.400

I don't say that most of these men don't deserve

0:27:43.120,0:27:55.520

bad treatment or or punishment or a certain
certainly a penal program but how can we as

0:27:55.520,0:28:03.200

citizens if I attain citizenship ultimately and I
guess now I'm technically a citizen I am not sure

0:28:04.880,0:28:12.800

but the point is how can the American public
expect convicts to return to society with a

0:28:12.800,0:28:19.360

uh--as better men--positive outlook yes as a
as a better man than they were when they went in

0:28:20.720,0:28:28.640

if they're treated worse than hogs are treated
this I don't understand--makes them bitter and

0:28:28.640,0:28:35.040

hateful--it makes them want to get revenge upon
this public now this is the average outlook now

0:28:36.240,0:28:42.480

I don't feel this because I think I have enough
insight to not permit it to my experience to

0:28:42.480,0:28:50.640

destroy me if I had this outlook I couldn't live
with this beautiful wife and and our children and

0:28:51.680,0:29:00.240

and be in the community and not be a bitter nasty
arrogant son of a bitch but the average convict is

0:29:00.240,0:29:06.160

that way because he hasn't had the advantage
of an education and and psychologic training

0:29:07.680,0:29:15.120

and as a result he comes out of prison wanting
to get back at society for treating him worse

0:29:15.120,0:29:22.320

than they treat an average hog and
this fellow who wrote this writ

0:29:23.520,0:29:28.640

of habeas corpus had a very definite point and
it was such a good point that they put him in

0:29:28.640,0:29:35.520

the psycho ward and gave him scopolamine
hyoscine whatever you want to call it

0:29:37.200,0:29:46.160

and made him crazy on hyoscine and then called
a psychiatrist in and send him to Lima so that

0:29:46.160,0:29:50.000

they could get rid of this situation
they didn't want to answer this you see

0:29:51.520,0:29:58.160

now that Governor Rhodes is in and he wants
to improve the state and he wants to improve

0:29:58.160,0:30:03.760

the whole situation now they're admitting that
they're overcrowded and that the situation is bad

0:30:04.560,0:30:08.400

and they're showing pictures
even of the crowded cells

0:30:08.400,0:30:12.800

so that they can try to get money out of the
public so that they can build a new prison

0:30:15.040,0:30:22.960
now certain things that Walter Winchell have said
have been in my opinion erroneous to say the least

0:30:23.520,0:30:30.320
but when he said they ought to put
a wall around Ohio he's almost right

0:30:31.040,0:30:36.720
because the way these officials down
there work it could be anybody--

0:30:38.400,0:30:40.880
uh and you went do you say you
went to work in the office--

0:30:42.160,0:30:50.400
I went to work in the personnel office at first
as a timekeeper and as a timekeeper it's a

0:30:51.440,0:30:58.400
it is a job that must be handled by a
person that's pretty well trusted because

0:31:01.120,0:31:08.880
this is a person that puts in the amount of
time that each man works each month so that

0:31:09.520,0:31:17.840
the paycheck is related now every man doesn't
get four dollars a month this may seem silly

0:31:17.840,0:31:23.280
but uh those who don't work a certain number
of hours may get only \$3.80 or \$3.00 or \$2.00

0:31:25.760,0:31:30.800
of course this has always doubled uh in other
words I earned \$4.00 a month all the time I

0:31:30.800,0:31:38.160
was there that meant \$8.00 the other four went
into my fund for the maintenance of young Sam

0:31:43.600,0:31:51.120
and this is the case in almost
all convicts or inmates but

0:31:53.600,0:32:00.320
the point is that as timekeeper I did a
conscientious job I worked my tail off because I

0:32:01.840,0:32:13.440
I am no typist and uh I was barely able to keep
up but I did keep up and I worked I worked hard

0:32:13.440,0:32:23.040
I worked very hard to every month uh start
I'd start early and uh and end perhaps a

0:32:25.760,0:32:28.320
well not too late and

0:32:29.840,0:32:35.360

the important thing as Captain Corbin said
later was that I did an accurate job evidently

0:32:36.640,0:32:47.040

plus every day I had to put out a transfer
sheet a sheet of uh triplicate paper that was uh

0:32:47.040,0:32:52.720

well not Minox but they had a copy machine one of
the first copying machines this blue light blue

0:32:53.600,0:33:00.000

deal I forget what they call it sort of like
a mimeograph but it isn't a mimeograph it's a

0:33:00.000,0:33:13.600

photographic uh process and I had to type each
transfer of men in and out of the institution and

0:33:13.600,0:33:19.680

within the institution a man from the print
shop to uh the planing mill for instance or

0:33:20.240,0:33:27.520

vice versa or men that went home or men that came
in from Roseville for medical care or whatever

0:33:28.560,0:33:36.800

new men from Cuyahoga County new men from Akron
new men from all over the state uh Licking County

0:33:36.800,0:33:44.480

and all the different counties over the state
and this was a daily uh thing that I had to do

0:33:45.840,0:33:52.480

um actually it's no big thing for a good typist
but for me it was one of these tough things I

0:33:52.480,0:33:59.440

got so I was pretty good at it and then uh the
hospital started calling over and asking for my

0:33:59.440,0:34:06.720

help--when was this but how I mean this was in
the wintertime went over there--this was the the

0:34:07.920,0:34:14.080

winter following well this was
late winter in spring--of '56--

0:34:16.800,0:34:23.120

well that would be '57 okay '57 yeah
that'd be late winter and spring of '57

0:34:25.040,0:34:35.600

that uh first I was requested by the Red
Cross to come help with the examination of

0:34:36.400,0:34:46.560
potential blood donors second Dr. Pliny Price
and his neurosurgery uh had had about enough uh

0:34:47.120,0:34:51.280
bullshit out of these guys that didn't
know what the hell to do to help him

0:34:52.000,0:34:56.720
in his neurosurgery and he every time he had
a neurosurgical case he asked for my help

0:34:58.400,0:35:06.560
either anesthetic-wise or assistant or both--so
they send you over--well doc uh lieutenant uh

0:35:08.560,0:35:16.320
uh Captain Corbin uh let me go over but by
that time he had made me his personal clerk

0:35:18.240,0:35:21.120
uh I don't know maybe he liked the cigars that uh

0:35:22.080,0:35:28.000
Dr. Miller used to send me or what or he
thought he could rely on me I guess uh he

0:35:28.000,0:35:32.880
knew I wouldn't give him any bullshit he--
this was still in the spring--yeah this was

0:35:32.880,0:35:39.920
at the spring that was a spring Sam Hanks won the
500 yeah in the in a little car with a tip motor

0:35:43.600,0:35:52.400
and uh Captain Corbin and I developed
some sort of relationship uh we didn't

0:35:52.400,0:35:58.240
especially like each other but yet we did and
still do I respect the man he never gave me

0:35:58.240,0:36:04.720
any bullshit and I never gave him any bullshit
we were on opposite sides and we both knew it

0:36:04.720,0:36:11.840
but we were both straight with one another if
I couldn't tell him right I wouldn't tell him

0:36:12.800,0:36:21.520
and uh if he'd ask me something I'd that wasn't
quite uh was something that might tell on somebody

0:36:21.520,0:36:29.360
I'd say well Corbin you know I can't tell you
that and he'd just smile to himself and at the

0:36:29.360,0:36:36.480
same time he was a farmer and he was interested
in Mary and Bud Brown's farm down in Tennessee and

0:36:37.680,0:36:43.600

he liked Art Miller's go label cigars let's
face it too but he was that wasn't the reason

0:36:43.600,0:36:50.000

he knew that I wouldn't let anybody walk in his
office when he was gone and go through his desk

0:36:51.600,0:37:01.040

he knew that I had a certain uh certain
loyalty to the man that I worked for that

0:37:01.040,0:37:07.840

I would not compromise convict official
I wouldn't let the warden in his office

0:37:09.040,0:37:13.280

and he knew it and there was
something there that he respected and

0:37:14.320,0:37:19.840

there was something about him and I still
respect and still think a great deal of so I

0:37:19.840,0:37:25.040

shouldn't I shouldn't have limited my previous
statement because I forgot about Kevin Corbin

0:37:25.040,0:37:32.800

he's quite a guy he told me how he saved money
by making his his home a farm so that he could uh

0:37:33.760,0:37:39.040

save on a gasoline for instance because the
government pays for farmers gasoline some

0:37:39.040,0:37:44.080

way you know for the tractor gasoline I don't
know how it worked but--so how long were you uh

0:37:44.880,0:37:49.200

you started to go over there--well I started
to go over there more and more often and

0:37:49.200,0:37:54.640

finally one day a negro fella got
hit with a coal shovel in the head

0:37:55.680,0:37:59.200

well they had a fight two negro
fellas and the co-pilot had a fight

0:38:01.120,0:38:11.280

and uh Dr. Price called for my help and uh was
right in the middle of a tough busy morning we

0:38:11.280,0:38:19.840

had about 50 interviews and transfers and
people coming in from London for medical

0:38:20.960,0:38:26.960

uh help and and there was it was a day
a going home day where there are about

0:38:27.520,0:38:33.200

30 or 40 men leaving and there're all these
ins and outs and this is a confusing thing

0:38:33.200,0:38:40.560

and if you just lose track of one head
which I had to try to help him prevent

0:38:42.960,0:38:51.200

well it's a bad thing so well I was demanded over
there and I went over and assisted Dr. Price and

0:38:52.240,0:38:57.680

the man came out all right but after
that Captain Corbin said 'Sam I think

0:38:59.040,0:39:05.040

I think we better give up and let you
go back to where you're supposed to be'

0:39:06.720,0:39:11.200

and I said 'I don't want to go back over there' I
don't want to work for somebody that won't back me

0:39:11.200,0:39:19.120

up I don't want to work for a lieutenant that's
got jelly for a backbone who happened to be a

0:39:20.240,0:39:23.840

the lieutenant at the hospital when
I was busted the first time who

0:39:24.720,0:39:31.840

had relayed the message actually that the
fink message and I knew goddamn well he had

0:39:34.720,0:39:36.480

his name is Lieutenant Hoover

0:39:38.000,0:39:43.440

a rotten maggot from the word go he always
has been always was he'll never be anything

0:39:43.440,0:39:49.760

else anyway and I hate to use the vernacular
but that's all the only way I can describe him

0:39:53.360,0:39:59.680

he's a wishy-washy kind of guy well he
was still in charge of the hospital and

0:39:59.680,0:40:04.960

I didn't want to go back under
this man's supervision because

0:40:05.920,0:40:11.200

it was a relief really to be under working
for a man like Captain Corbin and had some

0:40:11.200,0:40:15.360

guts he wouldn't let anybody cut he wouldn't
let a guard come in and shake down his office

0:40:17.520,0:40:23.920

when he was there by the same token I wouldn't
let anybody come in and shake down his private

0:40:23.920,0:40:29.120

office what I mean is when I say he wouldn't let a
guard come in and shake down his office I mean the

0:40:29.120,0:40:35.840

whole area I mean the convicts their clothes their
desks their thing he wouldn't let some guard come

0:40:35.840,0:40:40.000

in and just throw everything around on the floor
he wouldn't permit it it never happened--where

0:40:40.880,0:40:45.200

were you living at that time--I was living in 1E
dormitory--was that the same place where they had

0:40:45.200,0:40:50.480

thrown you in with the old man--no no this was a
big dormitory this was the visiting room dormitory

0:40:51.120,0:40:55.680

where they throw me in with the old man
was a little tiny cell did you have a

0:40:55.680,0:41:02.800

private--claustrophobic uh nightmare--did you have
a private room in the--no it was just a dormitory

0:41:02.800,0:41:08.480

but it was in with all the guys who worked in the
better offices throughout the penitentiary--you

0:41:08.480,0:41:13.760

must explain that that was moved out at certain
at certain dates and was used as a visiting room--

0:41:14.560,0:41:20.480

well I I say this 1E dormitory was in the
daytime a visiting room but the point is

0:41:20.480,0:41:27.680

here is a funny thing in the penitentiary
a dormitory was the ideal place to live

0:41:28.320,0:41:33.120

because it was cleaner you had
a shower available at all times

0:41:33.120,0:41:39.120

hot and cold running water space you
could play cards you could choose your own

0:41:40.720,0:41:50.960

friends you were not locked in a confined area
at 4:00 in the evening till 8:00 the next morning

0:41:52.400,0:41:56.960

uh so at the penitentiary a
dormitory was the ideal area to live

0:41:57.840,0:42:03.920

or the ideal place to live at Marion prison
farm the ideal place to live was a cell

0:42:04.880,0:42:08.800

but that was because the cell
was actually a private room

0:42:09.360,0:42:16.640

and this was not closed until 10:00 at night and
then I worked second shift uh at the hospital

0:42:17.200,0:42:22.400

and even as a teacher I worked on into the
second shift so I wasn't locked up till midnight

0:42:23.200,0:42:27.600

so I could come and go and I could still
choose my friends I could have people into

0:42:27.600,0:42:35.200

my cell like like visiting in my home almost
kick them out have them in I I had control of

0:42:35.200,0:42:41.440

the situation I had privacy if I wanted I could
close the door partially turn the light off and

0:42:42.400,0:42:48.880

meditate so that a cell actually a cell it
Marion was not a cell because there were no bars

0:42:49.520,0:42:55.440

there weren't even bars on the window it was
reinforced of course but it wasn't obvious--the

0:42:56.480,0:43:00.160

dormitory how many people stayed in the
one room were there a lot of beds in one

0:43:00.160,0:43:06.960

room--there was there were about 120 beds in
one room they're jammed in no question about it

0:43:08.000,0:43:16.960

but you could get off that bunk and walk
or go take a shower or wash your face or

0:43:16.960,0:43:23.680

shave the only thing we had in the cell was
cold water there was no hot water to shave

0:43:24.800,0:43:28.880
and you could go take a shit without
somebody watching the three guys watching you

0:43:29.680,0:43:37.840
well I mean after all uh there's a certain
amount of uh priva- well I'm this is one

0:43:37.840,0:43:43.280
of those--yeah well that's that's right--who
wants to sit there with three guys watching you

0:43:44.720,0:43:49.840
and and--them all looking to the bath--yeah
and maybe a guard standing there saying

0:43:49.840,0:43:56.800
uh say Doc what do you think about the
thing in the paper today you know uh well uh

0:43:58.720,0:44:02.880
you know and what are you gonna
do with the guard at the bars

0:44:02.880,0:44:07.600
you hit him on the knuckles that's what I wanted
to do--and what you told me was your prize

0:44:08.400,0:44:16.960
for possession was a night table that you had in
Marion you had a little table by the bedside tab-

0:44:16.960,0:44:23.840
the bedside table--at Marion yeah--at Marion
we had--you tell what way you kept your clothes

0:44:23.840,0:44:30.160
in the cell and that there was nothing else--
well in the cell at the penitentiary all you all

0:44:30.160,0:44:37.200
we had was a bag it was just--a sack like like a
pillow case--it was a pillow case it was a tick

0:44:37.200,0:44:43.200
it was a cheap tick uh blue and white striped
pillow case that's all it was with a string

0:44:43.840,0:44:48.000
that you tied it was it wasn't even run
through you just had to tie it around the top

0:44:48.880,0:44:54.160
well I had three of these which was
illegal but I just had that much uh

0:44:55.680,0:45:03.840
uh stuff that I had to try to keep but
uh at Marion we had at first we had a

0:45:04.480,0:45:12.000

assigned to us a metal lock box and we were permitted to buy a lock and have our own lock

0:45:12.880,0:45:21.760

and lock up our private material then we were all given a bedside table with a lock latch on

0:45:21.760,0:45:30.320

it which we could either lock or not up to us and a drawer on the top and a naturally a top on which

0:45:30.320,0:45:36.080

we could keep our radio I had Ariane's picture right there on top of my radio and I had one of

0:45:36.080,0:45:41.440

her pictures on one wall and I had a picture of Sophia Lauren on the other we'll get into that

0:45:41.440,0:45:46.880

later but the point is the differential is hard to understand because in the pen

0:45:48.080,0:45:55.760

the big thing was to get into a dormitory because it represented a freedom freedom of movement uh

0:45:57.040,0:46:05.600

whereas at Marion it represented a cell represented some sort of uh seclusion

0:46:05.600,0:46:12.880

because they didn't lock the door on the cell you could always go out during the day hours and and

0:46:12.880,0:46:17.360

early evening hours and in my case up until midnight--so you really didn't want to go back

0:46:17.360,0:46:25.040

to the hospital with this guy there--no I didn't want to go back but it got to the point that

0:46:27.280,0:46:36.880

uh other doctors found that I uh responded or that I was able to respond to Dr. Pliny Price's

0:46:38.000,0:46:45.680

requests and demands and I was then requested by Dr. Watson Walker uh the

0:46:46.480,0:46:51.840

regular surgeon when he had a heavy case like a pancreatectomy or

0:46:53.760,0:47:01.120

something of that sort and the lung surgeon asked for me and the when they had other heavy uh

0:47:01.920,0:47:08.880

radical work I was asked for then mainly
on the basis of anesthesia because

0:47:09.600,0:47:18.400

evidently I had unbeknownst to me I had
established some sort of good record or good

0:47:21.040,0:47:29.760

grouping or few losses I should say of cases under
anesthesia on radical cases like the laryngectomy

0:47:30.640,0:47:31.680

removal of the lung

0:47:34.800,0:47:41.840

this pancreas case and then there had been some
stabblings that we might get into later here

0:47:43.920,0:47:51.840

there was one stabbing that came about
before I was moved that I was called upon

0:47:52.640,0:47:58.320

I helped her and it came out favorably
now I'm not saying it's because of me

0:47:58.320,0:48:05.840

only because the other guys pitched in
boy and they really helped uh in work and

0:48:06.480,0:48:14.800

and then donating blood as well--so you went uh--
but I was then more or less forced again to go

0:48:14.800,0:48:20.880

back to the hospital--your private room over there
again--well it wasn't a private room but I was in

0:48:20.880,0:48:29.360

a private dormitory with about 15 other men it was
a dormitory you might call it private compared to

0:48:29.360,0:48:39.040

the other dormitory but it was a 15-man dormitory
limited to the head nurse the surgical crew the

0:48:40.560,0:48:47.840

surgeon's clerk the chief medical director's
clerk the x-ray man and that was it--

0:48:50.720,0:48:55.040

uh now after you went back to the
hospital which would be the summer of

0:48:55.920,0:49:03.120

'57 yes you stayed there for--
well I stayed there then until

0:49:03.760,0:49:11.360

Warden Alvis left which was about four or
four and a half years after the time I uh

0:49:13.760,0:49:18.240

well it was it was pushing five years
after the time I entered the institution

0:49:19.280,0:49:24.880

during that time we had another
stabbing a fellow by the name of Hopkins

0:49:26.400,0:49:33.920

who was a troublemaker uh but
uh yeah this is another story

0:49:35.280,0:49:38.720

and if you want to hear it--well if it's a good
story to put in the book let's tell it--well

0:49:38.720,0:49:45.040

it's a pretty good uh it's a pretty interesting
story uh perhaps from some people's standpoint

0:49:49.200,0:49:57.840

this fella Hopkins is a fella who's
been in trouble about all his life

0:49:58.480,0:50:03.760

I don't know uh he has some very uh
nice appearing and nice talking sisters

0:50:04.800,0:50:07.840

so from what I understand he comes from uh

0:50:10.160,0:50:23.200

perhaps uh a good background I can't say
but he uh got into trouble with uh a gun and

0:50:24.880,0:50:32.400

became sort of a reckless sort of fella when
he was young and he carried that out in prison

0:50:33.520,0:50:40.640

uh he developed homosexual tendencies
and was supposed to be a big jocker type

0:50:43.280,0:50:44.480

and this was about

0:50:47.520,0:50:50.240

a year after I had gone back to the hospital

0:50:53.760,0:50:56.960

Mr. Koloski a Marion J. Koloski

0:50:59.280,0:51:15.840

was then the deputy warden and the crux of the
story is that Hopkins and a a real quiet uh

0:51:16.480,0:51:23.120

fellow who was a barber in one of the dormitories
each each big dormitory had a barber that would

0:51:23.120,0:51:30.560
cut hair in the evenings for the fellas and one
one of these barbers he happened to be the one in

0:51:30.560,0:51:42.240
one 1E where I was before fell in love with
the same uh punk or homosexual or inborn

0:51:43.600,0:51:49.040
you know girl as they call them there I I still
don't know how the hell to call what the hell

0:51:49.040,0:51:55.840
they call them I'm still a little embarrassed
about it uh to tell you the truth to talk

0:51:55.840,0:52:02.240
this way about them but they it seems that
uh Hopkins uh thought that this was his girl

0:52:03.360,0:52:10.080
and and this girl was big enough to eat hay
played first team on a baseball team in the

0:52:10.080,0:52:18.880
football team with a guy named Parrot that I'd
been in jail with but he was uh young and blond-

0:52:18.880,0:52:27.920
haired and didn't have too many whiskers and had
been converted I guess be that as it may this

0:52:27.920,0:52:33.360
uh this girl was bigger than both of them or
either of them I should say not both together

0:52:36.080,0:52:42.720
but the the girl the female part Parrot
evidently was in love with the barber

0:52:44.640,0:52:50.080
uh now this is the way it
goes--I know I know now--now uh

0:52:51.440,0:52:55.520
Hopkins had been having
relations with this uh Parrot

0:52:57.680,0:53:04.000
before and actually they had had relations
on the athletic field because Hopkins was

0:53:04.000,0:53:12.960
was a football player too and baseball player
but he was older but he weighed about 50 pounds

0:53:12.960,0:53:21.120
less or not 50 about 30 I should say and this was
what is what made it a little ludicrous to me but

0:53:24.080,0:53:33.520

the barber was passive about it though he was all for it uh the girl Parrot went after the barber

0:53:34.640,0:53:39.680

who incidentally was on the wrestling team until all this happened and we kicked him off but

0:53:41.760,0:53:47.120

he had always been a passive guy and never bothered anybody but he went for this

0:53:48.240,0:54:00.480

this Parrot fella who was the girl and Hopkins told the barber that you stay away from this

0:54:02.160,0:54:08.480

girl of mine my wife as he called her now I hate to say her because it still bothers me

0:54:09.200,0:54:15.840

but this is what he said you stay away from her or I will kill you with a knife I will shiv you

0:54:17.040,0:54:23.840

I will stab you in other words in our terminology and the barber

0:54:25.120,0:54:31.440

didn't say anything he just turned on his heel and went well that night was a show night a

0:54:31.440,0:54:41.360

Friday night and the dormitories go to the show on Friday night uh being in the hospital at the time

0:54:42.000,0:54:47.360

we always sat on the front row in the show so that if we were called

0:54:48.160,0:54:54.160

the captain of the guard could always come and find us right away and tell us to go

0:54:56.480,0:55:02.560

well the barber was a man of few words and he went back and got his

0:55:02.560,0:55:12.880

shiv which was a rat tail file sharpened to a fine point and it was sharpened

0:55:12.880,0:55:20.960

almost to a point well it was finer than any nail but you might figure a railroad an elongated

0:55:20.960,0:55:26.640

railroad spike or we all know what a rat tail file is well he had had it filed down on by a machine

0:55:26.640,0:55:33.840

by a stone on a machine a friend of his had taken care of it for him and there had been a

0:55:35.760,0:55:42.160

handle put on it sort of a little hole drilled in a piece of wood and stuck into the end and then

0:55:42.800,0:55:50.400

tape around it and uh he just sneaked down in the movie and he saw where this Hopkins sat before

0:55:50.400,0:55:56.160

the lights went out and he just walked on down went over and just stabbed the dog shit out of him

0:55:57.040,0:56:01.840

he stabbed him I think a total of 15 times--in the dark--in the dark

0:56:03.600,0:56:10.080

and he got him eight times in the chest and the rest on the

0:56:11.040,0:56:21.120

on the arms and one in the hip or well be between the buttocks and the thigh the thigh well Hopkins

0:56:22.160,0:56:29.840

being a type of guy is staggered out into the aisle and tried to tried to

0:56:30.960,0:56:40.240

go up after him of course leading all the time and recounting the thing and looking at the

0:56:41.600,0:56:48.480

blood later he lost a good a good quart and a half of blood a good three pints of blood

0:56:49.520,0:56:56.480

uh before anybody knew what was happening finally he collapsed on the stairs of the movie

0:56:57.040,0:57:04.080

and fell head over heels and fell maybe eight or ten steps to a landing

0:57:04.640,0:57:08.640

there are several stairs and a landing and several stairs and a landing several

0:57:08.640,0:57:13.920

stairs and a landing it's a pretty big place and uh

0:57:16.320,0:57:20.880

we didn't know in the front row what was happening this all up happening up behind us we heard some

0:57:20.880,0:57:26.080

scuffling and everything but we're used to that you know they're up there well I won't say

0:57:26.080,0:57:31.680

what they're usually doing up there but they're doing most everything you can think of the light

0:57:31.680,0:57:36.320

it's usually pretty black because they don't have dimmers they if the lights are on or they're off

0:57:37.440,0:57:40.240

and uh they can dim 'em to a point but they get to

0:57:40.240,0:57:43.600

that point which is uh far too light for a movie

0:57:44.880,0:57:52.400

and then they either they have to go out or uh so a lot of things go on during that blackout

0:57:52.400,0:58:00.160

and that's why what the barber plan so we were called upon get back to the hospital now and uh

0:58:02.640,0:58:10.400

at the same time one of the my uh uh associates in the uh

0:58:11.520,0:58:15.680

surgery crew tapped me on the shoulder and said 'somebody's been stabbed Doc'

0:58:17.040,0:58:23.520

and I turned around and I saw this body and I saw some guards picking picking it up and

0:58:23.520,0:58:30.320

I saw this puddle of blood that was as big as this table it was a good it was a good uh

0:58:32.480,0:58:36.080

well it was a good six or eight feet around--this is in the movie theater--

0:58:36.080,0:58:41.520

yeah well it was in the auditorium which is becomes a movie theater at night it's the cha-

0:58:41.520,0:58:47.120

it's the protestant chapel on Sunday morning it's whatever they want to make it you know but it's uh

0:58:48.000,0:58:54.320

it's uh a large auditorium where they have wooden seats uh

0:58:55.280,0:59:03.280

straight-back wooden seats placed on cement uh bases uh in a stair-step fashion and they have

0:59:03.280,0:59:11.360

a movie booth above and they have purchased
a large wide screen with uh convict funds

0:59:13.120,0:59:21.120

uh obtained from the commissary money
that they've made from the commissary that

0:59:21.920,0:59:27.440

convicts have spent on themselves
anyway we got over to the hospital and

0:59:30.400,0:59:34.400

shortly thereafter Hopkins was
brought in to the pre-operative ward

0:59:36.000,0:59:39.680

and he was still conscious and
he pulled out of his pocket uh

0:59:40.480,0:59:48.000

a pack a little matchbox and he said Doc
he wouldn't talk to anybody but me and uh

0:59:49.520,0:59:53.040

the guards were all saying what happened
and how and who stabbed you and he said

0:59:53.040,0:59:59.280

'I won't talk to anybody but Doc get away get
away' so they got away they figured well maybe

0:59:59.280,1:00:03.360

he'll tell me and I would tell them which of
course I wouldn't tell him the time of day

1:00:04.320,1:00:12.720

but they knew he wouldn't tell him he wouldn't
he wouldn't give him his spit anyway he pulled

1:00:12.720,1:00:21.520

out a little matchbox full of pills they were uh
ephedrine pills stimulant pills and he said 'stash

1:00:21.520,1:00:25.600

these for me will ya Doc'
and that's all he wanted I

1:00:25.600,1:00:27.840

didn't question him who stabbed you I didn't care

1:00:29.520,1:00:34.000

you know but that's what he wanted from
me was to stash these pills they were all

1:00:34.560,1:00:38.800

soaked with blood even if I would have given
them back to him they wouldn't have been

1:00:38.800,1:00:47.040

any good but this is how the convict mind
works and shortly thereafter he passed out due

1:00:47.040,1:00:53.680

to uh loss of blood pressure well we got blood
well first I put plasma on both his arm and leg

1:00:55.440,1:01:01.680

well I put plasma two legs and
one arm and I reserved an arm for

1:01:02.560,1:01:06.800

blood we type and cross-matched his
blood from the blood on the floor

1:01:08.000,1:01:15.200

and uh had blood going into him now this was
all convict work we had blood going into him

1:01:16.400,1:01:25.200

within uh 20 minutes well less than that within 15
minutes and we pumped it with uh we took the pumps

1:01:25.200,1:01:35.680

off of our blood pressure machines and and hooked
them into the air inlet this is used commonly in

1:01:35.680,1:01:40.800

hospitals when emergencies arise it's a dangerous
thing because you have to be careful not to pump

1:01:40.800,1:01:47.360

bubbles into the system but that's not as
dangerous as a lot of people think but anyway

1:01:49.920,1:01:56.720

we pumped the plasma in we pumped the blood
in we called of course putting a call for

1:01:56.720,1:02:03.600

Dr. Walker who was the resident surgeon he
was out of town and his partner Dr. Brewer

1:02:04.800,1:02:12.240

came in and Dr. Brewer was
very undecided well we pumped

1:02:14.400,1:02:22.720

18 pints of blood into that boy and finally I
talked to Dr. Brewer and got permission from him

1:02:23.280,1:02:30.560

to do to drain the man's lung on the one side
which you could tap his lung and here it was

1:02:30.560,1:02:37.840

solid like this table instead of a resonant bang
like like air you could tell it sounded like a

1:02:37.840,1:02:46.640

solid log well it was full of blood obviously and
we after this permission I put tidal drainage on

1:02:46.640,1:02:55.920

him which is a type of drainage from a lung and we drained immediately almost 15 pints of blood off

1:02:56.880,1:03:02.160

we drained over a gallon of blood right off out of his lung boom right like that came right out

1:03:03.680,1:03:09.440

and Dr. Brewer was finally impressed to the point that we should call the thoracic surgeon

1:03:12.640,1:03:19.680

and the usual thoracic surgeon was out of town so we got his senior and his senior called Dr. Lara

1:03:19.680,1:03:30.400

who was a little man little surgeon a wonderful surgeon from Mexico and he came in uh and uh

1:03:32.000,1:03:37.200

did a beautiful job of uh stopping the bleeding and as it happened one

1:03:37.200,1:03:41.600

of the intercostal arteries the the arteries that run between the ribs

1:03:42.800,1:03:46.960

was bleeding and it was bleeding into the chest of course because the stab had gone in

1:03:47.520,1:03:55.600

and pushed the the uh break in into the pleura and uh the bleeding was stopped and then we

1:03:56.480,1:04:03.360

were then gave him another uh several pints of blood and he recovered and uh

1:04:05.440,1:04:12.480

I got a Christmas card from him he recovered except that he developed some jaundice because of

1:04:12.480,1:04:16.800

well he had a total replacement of blood to say the least he had a replacement of

1:04:16.800,1:04:23.120

his replacement and evidently one of the pints there had been a subtype

1:04:25.040,1:04:32.480

problem which uh they don't do at the penitentiary they don't do subtype cross matches or the subtype

1:04:32.480,1:04:38.800

groupings as we do in our modern hospitals outside today and he did develop jaundice but it wasn't

1:04:38.800,1:04:47.840

severe he didn't suffer from it tremendously and he lived and he lived to uh go on and I don't know

1:04:47.840,1:04:55.760

where he is now but he I got a Christmas card from him last year year before last and he said on the

1:04:55.760,1:05:02.960

Christmas card I think I can find it incidentally uh it's probably the first one he ever sent

1:05:02.960,1:05:11.840

he's this kind of guy he said 'To Doc for always as always'--'for always as always'--yeah and he uh

1:05:13.920,1:05:22.800

the thing that was interesting to me about it was that Koloski came up to the he had the audacity to

1:05:22.800,1:05:30.720

come up to the hospital ward when we were working on him and he said fellas I I would ordinarily

1:05:30.720,1:05:37.520

tell you to let him die he said that and I will testify on my mother's grave that he said that

1:05:38.560,1:05:45.840

I would ordinarily tell you to let this guy die because he's a troublemaker as though we care

1:05:45.840,1:05:52.000

who's a troublemaker or not but he said the guy that stabbed him is a good guy now that's the only

1:05:52.960,1:05:55.680

truthful thing that he said or a reasonable thing that he said

1:05:56.960,1:06:03.840

and try and save him for the sake of the guy that stabbed him so that he won't get a murder rap

1:06:04.480,1:06:11.920

now those are his exact words now this represents the type of official that we have controlling

1:06:12.480,1:06:21.600

the youth that are in trouble in this state this is the warden of of this place down at Mansfield

1:06:21.600,1:06:28.400

Mansfield Reformatory Reformatory--it's a bad place anyways--well of course but how can it how

1:06:28.400,1:06:35.520

can it be improved with a guy who thinks this way he honestly talked murder he talked murder

1:06:36.320,1:06:43.040

now this to me this you see this
really eats at my soul because here I

1:06:43.040,1:06:53.280

was and here I am a man who's done 10 years and
more in prison and and and have seen my family go

1:06:53.280,1:07:00.240

through hell and back and see my uh my wife here
lose weight lose a baby and god knows what else

1:07:02.160,1:07:05.520

because I've been accused of
murder a murder that I didn't do

1:07:06.720,1:07:15.360

and an official talked to me about letting
somebody die well I just uh can't explain the

1:07:15.360,1:07:20.000

emotion that I went through it it would
have been greater if I hadn't been so busy

1:07:21.440,1:07:29.600

but I was too busy really at the time to
stop and respond maybe it's a good thing--

1:07:30.400,1:07:35.600

uh were there any other other instances that
you talked about before was the guy who got the

1:07:35.600,1:07:38.960

doctor who signed the death certificate before
a man died do you want to give me that one--

1:07:39.840,1:07:48.160

well that was just a case it was a hard case a
man who had uh rheumatic fever rheumatic heart

1:07:48.160,1:07:55.280

disease and and he was dying and Dr. Brooks
the medical director didn't want to have to

1:07:55.280,1:08:00.560

come back in later that night and sign the
death certificate I guess which is a rather

1:08:03.120,1:08:10.720

well it's not the way we feel should be
done ethically um a death certificate

1:08:10.720,1:08:18.400

should be signed when a man dies based upon
his death and method of death or cause of death

1:08:20.080,1:08:23.840

but he made the certificate out
and was under the blotter of the

1:08:26.320,1:08:26.820

nurse's

1:08:30.320,1:08:38.560

desk blotter on the ward well the
man was so bad that the head nurse

1:08:40.560,1:08:44.160

wasn't the head nurse either was
the nurse on the ward it was a young

1:08:44.960,1:08:53.040

fellow that thought well why not what the hell
why not see if Doc Sam can help and he called me

1:08:53.600,1:08:59.600

I assumed that the head nurse wanted me and as
it turned out he didn't object to it because the

1:08:59.600,1:09:08.720

nurse on the ward was his flip partner be that as
it may there was no beef from that standpoint uh

1:09:11.760,1:09:18.320

the kid yeah I would like one the kid wanted
to help and this kid this young boy me

1:09:18.320,1:09:23.440

he was a homosexual but he was inborn he
couldn't help it and I don't blame any

1:09:23.440,1:09:28.640

anybody like that they can't help it any more
than anybody could blame me for liking women

1:09:30.560,1:09:34.880

so I this was one of those things but uh

1:09:37.200,1:09:37.700

he said

1:09:40.160,1:09:44.800

what can you do well he was
obviously in heart failure

1:09:46.560,1:09:53.840

heart failure and he was drowning in his own fluid
he was bubbling from his mouth and he was he had

1:09:53.840,1:10:05.520

a reflex type respiration he was blue he was uh
unconscious and uh so I outlined uh an outline

1:10:05.520,1:10:12.400

of therapy and uh some of the things he had he
was on some of the things he was not he also

1:10:12.400,1:10:18.560

though had an irregular heartbeat well irregular
heartbeat was something that had not been treated

1:10:19.680,1:10:25.920

this is usually treated by quinidine which I
don't want to go into therapy but he was on

1:10:25.920,1:10:33.120

digitalis and the routine things for heart failure
but he was not on any medication for the irregular

1:10:33.120,1:10:41.520

heartbeat and he was not on aminophylline which
is a one of the best things to get rid of fluid

1:10:43.040,1:10:48.080

he supposedly was allergic to aminophylline
well this is unheard of somebody had said

1:10:48.080,1:10:49.120

he was allergic to aminophylline

1:10:50.720,1:10:54.320

people get reactions from
aminophylline if it's given too fast

1:10:55.920,1:11:01.680

but allergy to aminophylline is unheard of because
aminophylline is a drug that's used to counteract

1:11:01.680,1:11:07.600

allergy it's an antihistaminic drug and it
doesn't it doesn't happen it's like saying

1:11:09.040,1:11:17.200

uh somebody is allergic to water well we need
water to live and to say a person is allergic

1:11:17.200,1:11:24.080

to water is idiocy of course if they get in if
they dive in and are pushed down they might drown

1:11:24.080,1:11:30.080

or cough you know it's the same type of thing
if you get too much water it might hurt you

1:11:31.280,1:11:40.160

and someone might misinterpret this as
saying it's an allergy you see so I said well

1:11:40.160,1:11:44.880

we can't lose anything uh replace
the aminophylline and quinidine and

1:11:44.880,1:11:47.440

several other things and by the

1:11:47.440,1:11:53.840

next morning the man he was uh conscious by the
time I left he smiled at me shook my hand and

1:11:55.040,1:11:59.440

an amazing thing he seemed to hear everything that
we were saying even though he was semi-conscious

1:11:59.440,1:12:05.040

or he looked unconscious but he evidently
he heard what was going on and he knew

1:12:05.040,1:12:11.040

about this death certificate somebody had said something I hadn't certainly but one of the

1:12:12.000,1:12:17.040

I think probably this young nurse had said what an atrocious thing and I

1:12:17.040,1:12:24.880

I think it actually insulted his integrity as a even a convict nurse he was trying to do the best

1:12:24.880,1:12:30.800

he could he was one of the most conscientious uh nurses uh convict nurses that I had seen

1:12:32.000,1:12:39.520

because by god he did the best he could and tried and he would he would take advice and and

1:12:40.480,1:12:46.160

and work he stayed up all night with uh with this man his name was uh

1:12:47.920,1:12:51.520

Joe Anzalone as I recall but again we don't want to use names

1:12:54.000,1:13:01.760

but by the time I left the ward he was conscious and smiling and talking well for a

1:13:01.760,1:13:07.680

patient a heart failure patient to have enough breath to talk a left heart failure where

1:13:08.480,1:13:10.160

where we've got fluid in the lungs

1:13:12.240,1:13:16.000

is a great accomplishment of course-- what was the end result of the guy--

1:13:17.200,1:13:26.720

well he lived for several months and then he had a uh I understand that after I left

1:13:28.560,1:13:34.880

I was in the honor dormitory after Warden Alvis left Warden Sacks came Sacks

1:13:35.920,1:13:43.680

uh moved me to the honor dormitory after my fifth year it was July just beg just before July 4th--

1:13:45.040,1:13:50.720

but you were still working in the hospital--no I was I was in the honor dormitory outside I was

1:13:50.720,1:13:52.960

the first aid man for the honor dormitory--oh--and

1:13:54.000,1:13:56.960

uh I was called in occasionally
for an anesthetic or

1:13:56.960,1:14:03.360

some urgent problem but I wasn't in the hospital
at all I was separated from the inside group

1:14:05.120,1:14:11.120

and he died during that period he
had another severe bout and died

1:14:13.440,1:14:16.000

uh he had a a

1:14:17.040,1:14:22.480

serious problem he had rheumatic heart disease and
of a serious nature and I don't mean to say that

1:14:24.560,1:14:28.480

I could have kept him alive indefinitely
or anything it was one of those things I

1:14:28.480,1:14:37.760

was called upon I struck I went along routine
channels I'm no cardiologist I'm a neurosurgeon

1:14:38.560,1:14:47.520

but I went by standing uh cardiac care orders that
we used at the Los Angeles County Hospital in my

1:14:47.520,1:14:53.120

training I had a lot of training on that medical
ward I treated a lot of heart failure patients

1:14:54.000,1:15:04.480

and I just did what I was taught to do in the best
fashion uh to give the patient the best break--

1:15:05.040,1:15:10.160

okay now one thing that you mentioned before was
that the inmates used to drink nose drops and

1:15:11.360,1:15:14.640

to get stimulants you want to cover
that and the eating the inhalers--

1:15:15.920,1:15:20.880

well I they they would take nose drops

1:15:22.720,1:15:32.160

ephedrine nose drops ephedrine is uh a drug which
is a stimulant it's often given in a pill form

1:15:33.920,1:15:40.720

to treat asthmatics for instance uh one of
the patients that I mentioned I think had had

1:15:41.600,1:15:48.560

had used the pill form of ephedrine they called
'em Asmol they were for asthmatic patients

1:15:49.600,1:15:59.360

and these stimul- stimulants they not only had ephedrine but they had uh aminophylline again and

1:16:02.080,1:16:10.560

I think there was another drug thrown in but uh Asmol and then there was another one

1:16:10.560,1:16:16.160

there are several companies that put out this type of drug but the nose drop and the uh

1:16:17.280,1:16:22.160

pill form was uh at a premium the

1:16:24.240,1:16:28.600

there's a story about the the uh

1:16:31.280,1:16:38.640

nose drop type it was called for some reason and I don't really know why but uh

1:16:39.840,1:16:47.840

the uh a ephedrine nose drop in the penitentiary is undoubtedly still called TV

1:16:52.000,1:16:54.240

maybe there's uh some basis

1:16:56.720,1:17:01.840

maybe the outside druggist had tried to hide the nature of it or something

1:17:03.600,1:17:09.040

but uh it it is commonly known as TV ephedrine nose drops

1:17:12.320,1:17:20.240

the thing is that it produces uh an initial stimulus loss of appetite

1:17:21.360,1:17:29.040

but the other contents of the nose drop material is likely to cause trouble in the

1:17:29.040,1:17:34.480

stomach of course but a lot of the men seem to have iron stomachs I don't know how they do it

1:17:37.600,1:17:47.280

they they'll take the the inhalers like Wyamine now Wyamine is one they use Wyamine is denatured

1:17:47.280,1:17:54.160

at the point it's not supposed to be able to be taken in in the stomach but they take

1:17:54.160,1:18:03.040

it and whether it's psychological or not uh they do the old Benzedrine inhaler of course did have

1:18:03.040,1:18:08.720

the real McCoy and it had Benzedrine in it and they used to cut off the skull and crossbones

1:18:10.160,1:18:16.800

on the end of the tape there was a little tape that had the stuff in filtered into it the uh

1:18:17.680,1:18:26.800

the liquid Benzedrine with the denaturants and the most concentrated portion was this

1:18:27.440,1:18:35.760

one end and that end was stamped with a skull and crossbones to tell everybody this is dangerous

1:18:35.760,1:18:43.120

this is lethal even this could kill don't ever take it in your mouth or swallow it

1:18:43.120,1:18:49.760

well that's what that they'd fight over that end to get that skull and crossbones because

1:18:49.760,1:18:55.600

that's what was really good that's what had the most Benzedrine in it believe it or not

1:18:55.600,1:19:02.160

well of course that's been ruled out by the food and drug people as being dangerous and the

1:19:02.800,1:19:09.840

that particular company puts out a Benzedrex inhaler which is uh no good the guys don't like

1:19:09.840,1:19:17.440

that at all but Wyamine they go with uh Dristan inhaler they'll eat that all day now uh believe

1:19:17.440,1:19:21.840

it or not they eat that Dristan and I've seen a guy that has eaten four of them in one day

1:19:22.880,1:19:29.200

and I don't know whether he think whether it's his in his mind there's a stimulant

1:19:29.200,1:19:36.720

preparation that helps constrict the the nasal arteries this is the mechanism and that's the

1:19:36.720,1:19:45.120

mechanism of the nose drop the ephedrine when it gains access to the nasal membrane

1:19:46.080,1:19:53.200

causes the arteries to constrict to become smaller and it causes the membrane to shrink

1:19:53.920,1:20:00.240

so that they can breathe easier I mean the normal person who uses it properly can breathe easier

1:20:01.280,1:20:10.720

now this is commonly called TV the drops the nasal drops ephedra nose drops and they were made up by

1:20:10.720,1:20:20.080

the pharmacist out in the honor dormitory pharmacy there was a fellow by the name well I won't name

1:20:20.080,1:20:28.240

him but he was uh one of the surgical crew and I knew that he'd been stealing these ephedrine

1:20:28.880,1:20:36.880

nose drops and I also had ephedrine in my surgical kit for I should say anesthesia kit

1:20:37.840,1:20:45.120

because sometimes we need a quick stimulus short of adrenaline this ephedrine is so

1:20:45.120,1:20:50.720

good because it's milder than adrenaline it won't give them that bang it won't really

1:20:52.720,1:21:00.400

jar up the heart and vascular system but it will give the push that sometimes sometimes is needed

1:21:03.520,1:21:07.120

so we always have this available in anesthesia

1:21:10.000,1:21:14.320

and I had it available at the time and that's another thing I had to

1:21:16.560,1:21:22.800

fight really to keep from being contaminated or tampered with or stolen I should say

1:21:25.520,1:21:29.200

anyway this man was sitting in surgery on a stool he was

1:21:29.200,1:21:34.400

acting as a circulating nurse the nurse that goes around counts sponges picks up

1:21:34.400,1:21:41.840

stuff off the floor goes and gets extra material and he was sitting on a stool yak-yak-yak-yak

1:21:41.840,1:21:49.040

'Doc' Dr. Swenson was still there at the time and he said 'Doc I didn't tell you about [gibberish]'

1:21:49.040,1:21:53.120

and uh this is a man that usually is quite

1:21:55.280,1:22:03.120

um quiet to say the least he even phlegmatic
yeah very little to say sort of a depressed

1:22:03.120,1:22:09.840

individual but this day he was yap
yapping you know and Dr. Swenson

1:22:10.400,1:22:16.880

was even squarer than I and he didn't
know what was happening he just said

1:22:19.200,1:22:25.840

'say Curly uh you should be on TV'
and Curly looked back at him he said

1:22:25.840,1:22:31.280

'Doc as a matter of fact I am' and of
course Swenson had no idea what he meant

1:22:32.240,1:22:40.480

and uh Swenson meant you should be on TV so we
could turn you off of course but curly was so high

1:22:40.480,1:22:46.800

on this stuff he was just at the peak before he
got nervous and agitated and feel feeling bad and

1:22:47.520,1:22:54.000

all that sort of thing that he uh came off
with as well as a matter of fact Doc I am and

1:22:56.240,1:23:05.200

it was at the time again ludicrous because
Dr. Swenson had no idea what he meant

1:23:05.200,1:23:11.120

and I never took it upon myself to tell him
because why tell why bother the poor guy with this

1:23:12.160,1:23:18.960

because there's nothing he could have done about
it but I did inform Dr. Swenson and Dr. Walker

1:23:18.960,1:23:27.760

anytime that there was a breach in technique
improper sterilization methods used anything

1:23:27.760,1:23:31.920

that might jeopardize the surgical procedure
or the patient on the table I let them know

1:23:32.640,1:23:37.840

and never did they betray my confidence never
did they go to the warden or the assistant warden

1:23:38.400,1:23:43.120

and say well Sheppard told me this or that or
the other thing this was strictly a professional

1:23:43.120,1:23:48.160

confidence it was something between us
and something that I felt that I must

1:23:49.680,1:23:59.120

discuss with them uh and not not one time was I
uh let down by either of those men and they were

1:24:01.280,1:24:07.920

true blue really--well uh this brings us to the
end of the chapter except one other how can you

1:24:07.920,1:24:14.080

wrap up how working in the hospital over those
five years or most if I helped you to endure

1:24:14.080,1:24:21.760

those years in prison--well if anything had made
it tougher because I was unable to do the work I

1:24:22.960,1:24:31.680

prepared or desire actually trained
to do and I was continuously

1:24:32.800,1:24:41.600

restrained I was asked to do things that I was
not given the authority to do and authorized

1:24:41.600,1:24:47.760

to do the things that I was not trained
to do uh for instance uh authorized to

1:24:51.200,1:24:51.840

deal with

1:24:54.080,1:24:57.040

the the sanitation of the floors and

1:24:59.360,1:25:05.560

idiotic things linen and that sort of thing and uh

1:25:07.680,1:25:13.280

intentionally I I feel maybe I'm wrong and
I know I've been wrong more than once but

1:25:14.720,1:25:25.840

it seemed that the things that I
was authorized to do were by design

1:25:27.600,1:25:36.240

apart from my training it may not be
the fact but I was continuously asked

1:25:37.360,1:25:45.840

to care for emergent situations surgery and
medical and though the doctors the surgeons

1:25:47.120,1:25:54.880

backed me up I was never backed up by
others and I was goddamn lucky that

1:25:56.080,1:26:01.440

the patients that I cared for in these situations came out well because if they hadn't

1:26:02.720,1:26:08.560

I'd have been hung for a fare-thee-well I was I mean I think I did

1:26:08.560,1:26:14.000

good work I think I used good judgment but everybody loses a case now and then

1:26:14.880,1:26:22.640

and I feel that I was that's why I say goddamn lucky because sooner or later I had to lose a case

1:26:24.160,1:26:30.240

and uh--so through the five years you operated on people and uh you know--well I did

1:26:31.840,1:26:40.160

a lot of neurosurgery with Dr. Price and several cases he had me start and by the time he got in

1:26:40.160,1:26:50.320

the room I we were through uh there I did a great deal of work with Dr. Pelacari(?) he was the

1:26:50.320,1:26:56.800

plastic surgeon he had been in an accident and was just getting back into practice and was unable to

1:26:56.800,1:27:04.080

stand on his feet really he'd had a broken hip and god knows how many other fractured bones and

1:27:04.080,1:27:09.600

he was torn up badly and I did a great deal of work with him and for him

1:27:09.600,1:27:16.000

was glad to he's a wonderful little guy he incidentally was sued by one of his own

1:27:16.560,1:27:22.160

doctor colleagues and quit plastic surgery one of the best plastic surgeons I've ever seen

1:27:22.880,1:27:30.000

and he quit plastic surgery because of this and went into anesthesia took an anesthetic resident

1:27:30.640,1:27:35.600

residency in one of the western states he's a very religious guy and

1:27:39.200,1:27:44.240

I got a lot of I got a lot of work from him I learned from him and

1:27:44.800,1:27:48.480

at the same time I would did a lot
of surgery with him and for him

1:27:51.440,1:27:55.200

with Dr. Swenson I did a great deal Dr. Walker uh

1:27:57.520,1:28:06.800

I worked with him mainly as an anesthetist
but as he turned his work over to residents

1:28:07.680,1:28:11.200

and Dr. Walker established
a nice resident program with

1:28:12.960,1:28:20.480

the White Cross Hospital but as Dr. Walker
would leave the residence on their own uh

1:28:20.480,1:28:27.840

many many times uh the residents were unable to
cope with the situation and I scrubbed in and

1:28:28.480,1:28:34.720

well let's face it I bailed them out of
situations that they were unable to handle uh

1:28:37.760,1:28:45.920

many times by say many many many I would say
it happened more times with uh one or two

1:28:45.920,1:28:51.360

or three residents than others there of course
are good young surgeons and there are young

1:28:51.360,1:28:57.040

surgeons that are good on paper but when it comes
down to the short hair they don't quite make it

1:29:00.400,1:29:04.560

so I was never hesitant to help
but I didn't try to impose myself

1:29:05.520,1:29:10.000

when I got to Marion I did all the
surgery the old man was a great old man

1:29:10.000,1:29:16.000

but he just couldn't make it well that's another
chapter--but uh uh it was like it was really a

1:29:16.000,1:29:21.200

two-edged sword wasn't it uh for you well it did
help you to take your mind off your being there

1:29:23.120,1:29:31.040

uh you weren't you know you were you weren't doing
the thing--I was restrained yeah except for Dr.

1:29:31.040,1:29:43.520

Price now Dr. Price was and is quite a guy he he
respected me and my position he didn't tell me uh

1:29:43.520,1:29:50.000

how he felt except by his actions well he did tell me too that I was getting a hell of a screwing

1:29:51.120,1:29:56.720

but that's as far as he went he didn't want to discuss all the legal ins and outs

1:29:57.600,1:30:04.480

but in front of uh everybody he in in the penitentiary guard official

1:30:04.480,1:30:11.520

inmate convict anybody else he would put an x-ray up in the view box and he'd say 'Sam'

1:30:11.520,1:30:19.840

this might be an air study of the brain now 'Sam I just am not sure we've got a shift to the left now

1:30:21.360,1:30:29.280

it looks to me as though such and such and such and such what do you think' and he gave me

1:30:32.720,1:30:37.360

the integrity he gave me credit for the integrity and the intelligence that I

1:30:37.360,1:30:44.000

am supposed to have you see and uh he was not hesitant at all in surgery he'd stop and say

1:30:45.120,1:30:51.920

'Sam what do you think about that I don't know uh such and such and so forth' like I might to him

1:30:53.040,1:30:59.280

on the outside or he might to me on the outside he made no differential as far as being

1:31:00.000,1:31:04.240

in the penitentiary route he didn't even seem to know he was in a penitentiary

1:31:04.240,1:31:10.240

or that I was supposed to be a convict and uh this was a big boost to me

1:31:13.120,1:31:20.560

because it not because it displayed a great thing to other people but it

1:31:21.920,1:31:28.880

this was a man that was trained at Ohio State he had completed his residency several years ago at

1:31:28.880,1:31:39.280

the university hospital uh he and I were comparing notes west coast to midwest more or less uh he

1:31:39.280,1:31:45.760

asked me to teach him how to do the uh the Pratt method of uh lumbar sympathectomy he had never

1:31:45.760,1:31:53.360

done it and he he asked me to show him how how it was done extra peritoneal approach and so forth

1:31:54.080,1:32:03.040

and uh and I did and he thanked me for it but and I was glad to do it but I there was a rapport

1:32:03.040,1:32:12.080

here that might be attained over at Bay View or Fairview Park or down at Ohio State or out at

1:32:13.680,1:32:19.920

Los Angeles County General where we would meet there was no when we were in surgery

1:32:19.920,1:32:26.560

we were two surgeons working together and we didn't give a goddamn whether the convicts

1:32:27.280,1:32:34.160

set up a lot of talk or what and that's why when this fella got hit in the head with a shovel

1:32:34.720,1:32:41.520

and his front of his head was well his frontal bone above was set back about three centimeters

1:32:41.520,1:32:48.720

which is about an inch and a half or over an inch he didn't hesitate he called for my help because

1:32:49.600,1:32:56.480

a brain surgeon needs adequate competent help and anybody that says they don't is a stupid idiot

1:32:57.440,1:33:04.640

and the man uh was criticized by a lot of the officials

1:33:05.600,1:33:13.280

and of course some of the finky-dink convict I should say inmates picked this up because of this

1:33:14.160,1:33:20.880

and there was a conspiracy that finally became manifest they finally got rid of the man

1:33:20.880,1:33:26.880

I don't know if it was because of me because but I think it was because of his innate honesty and

1:33:27.760,1:33:35.920

fair play if a man said he had pain he gave him uh morphine or Demerol he was a perhaps too uh

1:33:37.040,1:33:41.840

you know acted too much like he would on
the outside--well the prison officials

1:33:41.840,1:33:51.440

knew you were scrubbing in and--well they became
aware of it when some of the uh some of the uh

1:33:51.440,1:33:54.720

talkers got the word around--and
they didn't say anything about

1:33:54.720,1:33:57.200

it did they--well they they don't dare say

1:33:57.200,1:34:04.640

too much to the doctors because the doctors have
outside contact that they don't like you see

1:34:05.520,1:34:12.080

but the main thing they do is try to get rid
of any doctor that relates to any convict--

1:34:13.760,1:34:17.040

so that the--for instance if there's a
clerk there have been many clerks that

1:34:17.760,1:34:25.040

are straight convicts con men or dirty
rotten old rapists I don't know no they're

1:34:26.560,1:34:32.400

the doctors don't take rapists as clerks but
I mean say a bank robber who's a pretty good

1:34:32.400,1:34:41.680

con man or say he's a check-writer and if he gets
too close to the doctor or they think that they're

1:34:41.680,1:34:48.320

pretty friendly well they try to get they'll try
to find some reason to get rid of that clerk--

1:34:49.680,1:34:52.400

so that they uh they knew that
you were doing it but they uh

1:34:53.680,1:34:55.600

they just you know they figured that they--

1:34:57.680,1:35:07.760

well they at at times found that it was economical
economically necessary because during the period I

1:35:07.760,1:35:20.000

gave the anesthesia I represented a \$50.00 an
hour first hour and \$25.00 an hour thereafter

1:35:20.000,1:35:28.080

fee you see so that uh even though they might
not have liked some of the uh contacts or

1:35:28.080,1:35:33.440

or respect I I wasn't making any contacts I wasn't doing anything illegal with these doctors I merely

1:35:34.800,1:35:41.040

uh established a good professional rapport with them but but you see they call me Doctor

1:35:41.040,1:35:47.360

and they call me Doctor on the wards and then the the convicts started calling me

1:35:47.360,1:35:55.840

Doctor and some of the guards started to call me Doctor and the the official short of the warden

1:35:57.280,1:36:04.880

didn't want to hear any convict called Doctor this this represents honor or some sort of uh uh

1:36:05.520,1:36:12.160

integrity you see and to them a convict supposed to be some worm that they can step on anytime they

1:36:12.160,1:36:15.920

want and to hear me called Doc or Doctor on the ward

1:36:16.480,1:36:20.640

or on the yard or by a guard especially a guard

1:36:20.640,1:36:27.120

I I know that a meeting was called to tell the guards don't call Sheppard 'Doctor'

1:36:28.880,1:36:38.560

and I've received packages time after time after this where Dr. Sheppard 'Doctor' was marked out

1:36:40.080,1:36:44.240

isn't that idiotic well how what do they do with it all that did was make the convicts

1:36:44.240,1:36:50.320

start calling me Doc and Doctor all the more because they they got the idea what was happening

1:36:51.200,1:37:00.880

you see and they got the the gist of what these assholes were trying to do so it was always Doctor

1:37:00.880,1:37:08.480

or Doc Sam or always Doc from then on it was never Sheppard or Shep or anything from then on

1:37:08.480,1:37:14.560

from the convicts now the guards they had to knuckle down and do what the authorities said but

1:37:16.320,1:37:23.440

when I went out of that penitentiary was 'yeah hey Doc Doc' and the the place was screaming it

1:37:23.440,1:37:29.360

sounded like Ohio State stadium--did they uh how
did they used to pay these other guys were they uh

1:37:29.360,1:37:34.160

these other doctors were volunteers
weren't they--they were paid by the uh

1:37:34.160,1:37:40.080

by the hour I believe--by the Blue Cross schedule
or something--no they had a schedule of their

1:37:40.080,1:37:44.720

own which I think they've since revised--
well these guys they wouldn't they wouldn't

1:37:46.960,1:37:49.200

they give these doctors any lip or too much

1:37:49.200,1:37:52.320

problem they'd just walk out
wouldn't they I mean they--

1:37:52.320,1:37:59.760

that's right and these doctors had things
to do that would make them more money

1:38:00.320,1:38:07.120

at any time these these men were and
are the better men in the profession Dr.

1:38:07.120,1:38:12.960

uh Pelacari for instance in plastic surgery
was the best in Columbus at the time

1:38:14.160,1:38:23.760

uh Dr. Heidinger uh was the best chest surgeon
under this well he was working with this older man

1:38:23.760,1:38:30.800

I forget his name but Dr. Heidinger was out of
town the time that Hopkins had his trouble and

1:38:30.800,1:38:38.320

the older man came in he didn't even scrub but he
had Dr. Lara do the work he's he was a man he was

1:38:38.320,1:38:46.160

an emeritus type thing a professor emeritus at
Ohio State in in chest surgery uh tops in his

1:38:46.160,1:38:53.360

day but he was a little beyond his day uh he was
great he could have done the work no doubt but

1:38:54.880,1:39:00.480

there was no need for it when he knew he had
a good man like Dr. Lara Dr. Beecher Smith in

1:39:01.760,1:39:10.160

in uh genital urinary disease he gave me the last
year I was there a pound of this cherry blend

1:39:10.720,1:39:17.600

uh every year he comes in and brings a carton of cigarettes for every nurse in the hospital

1:39:17.600,1:39:25.920

now this represents about 50 to 58 cartons of cigarettes and he knew I smoked a pipe so but he

1:39:25.920,1:39:30.240

was thoughtful enough to bring me pipe tobacco--

1:39:31.120,1:39:33.920

how about that--now this is one of the he is the top general

1:39:33.920,1:39:42.800

urinary man in Columbus but he's approaching the age where he's going to be on an emeritus or or

1:39:44.560,1:39:52.400

advisory status he's he's around 65 or -7 or so now uh well I could go on

1:39:52.400,1:39:58.960

Sheppard Dr. Sheppard my namesake they called him he's the best skin man in in the city I've I've

1:39:58.960,1:40:06.800

never heard of any other skin man in Columbus and I've been in and around the state for a while he's

1:40:06.800,1:40:12.800

the best and he comes in there every Friday and heals a clinic he one day he had 127 patients--

1:40:15.200,1:40:19.760

well I think this takes very good care of this chapter I think we'll just uh wrap it up for the

1:40:19.760,1:40:24.960

evening--okay--that's a good good three hours and 15 minutes work--the thing is these doctors

1:40:24.960,1:40:30.480

don't take any shit from those officials and the officials hate it except the right

1:40:30.480,1:40:36.240

officials the right officials like it quietly even the wardens sometimes quietly likes it

1:40:37.840,1:40:44.880

because after all Koblenz is the big man or the big boss and uh he's the one that hates this

1:40:45.840,1:40:54.640

uh individual contact business he wants to keep everybody moving so nobody at any time has any

1:40:55.200,1:41:05.200

close association or can uh have any effect on one another or work any deals that's they're

1:41:05.200,1:41:09.440

afraid some doctor might give me a ten dollar bill and then I'll go pay one of their guards

1:41:10.000,1:41:17.840

because they know their guards will take pay that's why they don't allow money in there

1:41:17.840,1:41:27.760

[Ariane speaks in background] is it well perhaps it is I hadn't heard it before but

1:41:27.760,1:41:34.960

the comment is in regard to this baseball team that we had at Marion

1:41:36.080,1:41:38.003

and Jerry Killinger this boy I

1:41:38.003,1:41:44.480

[Ariane asks question] no this is something that was handed out this is a little slip of paper

1:41:44.480,1:41:49.120

that was given to each of the baseball players you don't care well okay

1:41:49.120,1:41:53.840

[Ariane speaks in background]

1:41:53.840,1:42:00.480

'if you think you are beaten you are if you think you dare not you don't if you like to win

1:42:01.120,1:42:08.400

but you think you can't it is almost certain you won't if you think you'll lose you're lost

1:42:09.520,1:42:19.360

for out of the world we find successes begin with a fellows win it's all in the state of mind if

1:42:19.360,1:42:27.360

you think you are outclassed you are you've got to think high to rise you've got to be sure of

1:42:27.360,1:42:36.320

yourself before you can ever win a prize life's battles don't always go to the stronger or faster

1:42:36.320,1:42:41.360

man but soon or late the man who wins

1:42:41.360,1:42:48.320

is the man who thinks he can' and at the end Jerry had printed

1:42:48.320,1:42:54.480

'the B League Championship belongs to the Dukes' this was our baseball team at the time

1:42:55.520,1:43:02.240

in Marion just before well it was the spring
before you visited and that was the time we

1:43:03.600,1:43:09.840

well we won the championship not that it's a
big thing but in that place it was of course

1:43:13.680,1:43:18.640

also I found a letter here I don't
know if you've noticed it or not

1:43:20.800,1:43:28.800

that I had written to the lieutenant in charge
of the uh James Hospital at the penitentiary

1:43:30.000,1:43:33.520

soon after I went to work
there it's dated November

1:43:36.000,1:43:37.840

25th 1955--

1:43:40.240,1:43:44.800

recommending uh--telling him that his suggestion
was the best and stuff like that--

1:43:44.800,1:43:51.840

well he and I had talked you see and he had
made some he had it well he talked to me about

1:43:54.160,1:44:02.640

some sort of vocational uh training set up in
regard to the hospital of course uh shortly

1:44:02.640,1:44:11.040

thereafter he was replaced but the point is that
he had a somewhat of a progressive attitude toward

1:44:13.600,1:44:18.320

the hospital--yeah--you didn't
think it was very good huh--yeah

1:44:19.760,1:44:25.760

but I don't think I don't know what it does in the
book if it's all right to be printed it takes so

1:44:25.760,1:44:32.240

much space and I don't know if that's--well I
think uh Bill will have to decide that but yeah

1:44:32.240,1:44:37.920

I thought I'd give him this letter I had forgotten
I had even written a letter to tell you the truth

1:44:40.720,1:44:42.800

and I even have a hook to the

1:44:46.240,1:44:51.200

to the letter some test questions
for final examination in the uh

1:44:53.280,1:44:58.320
auto mechanic uh vocational
school that I had just come from

1:45:00.800,1:45:06.880
which uh as I say I forgot entirely
that I had written this letter

1:45:15.680,1:45:20.800
I think one of the most uh interesting
parts to me is it should be obvious to

1:45:20.800,1:45:26.800
the casual observer that the hospital
unit in this institution is perhaps one

1:45:26.800,1:45:31.280
of the best if not the best department
whereby vocational training is offered

1:45:31.280,1:45:36.720
to the inmates this is a direct result of
the fact that the ills of the population here

1:45:37.280,1:45:43.840
are by necessity cared for in part by inmates
under adequate direction and supervision

1:45:46.320,1:45:51.120
of course this was stretching a point
adequate direction and supervision but

1:45:52.000,1:45:55.760
supposedly so the point is that the men were

1:45:57.680,1:46:04.640
acting as nurses the convicts were
acting as nurses and they had plenty of

1:46:05.360,1:46:13.200
material to work upon this means that the trainees
are not only taught the principles of patient care

1:46:13.840,1:46:25.840
but practice is day is but practice but prac but
must practice it daily under all circumstances

1:46:27.520,1:46:34.320
and this was a big thing uh this is
an important and valuable uh requisite

1:46:34.320,1:46:39.040
of a vocational training program and one
which few other vocational departments

1:46:39.040,1:46:44.240
at this institution can't afford and
then I go on to make an example that

1:46:45.440,1:46:51.680
in the auto mechanic school and armature winding
and radio and television all they have is a

1:46:53.280,1:47:03.440

stationary motors and uh portions of an automobile or a motor that they rewind um the

1:47:04.960,1:47:13.200

motor of an automobile that they re-uh re-ring or rework over and over again whereas in the hospital

1:47:13.200,1:47:23.040

of course a new situation arises every time a sick person a sick convict or inmate walks in

1:47:26.000,1:47:31.840

and this is was more or less the beginning of my thinking of teaching

1:47:33.280,1:47:42.880

practical nursing and it may be that this letter could have reached Dr. Hershberger I don't know

1:47:44.640,1:47:52.720

certainly the uh idea of it reached him and I've divided the groupings into number

1:47:52.720,1:47:59.520

one general duty number two laboratory number three minor surgery number four major surgery

1:48:01.040,1:48:06.400

list of the duties and major surgery continues into

1:48:08.640,1:48:11.760

the more infinite

1:48:14.080,1:48:17.840

needs of the major surgical nerves

1:48:19.360,1:48:21.280

well I forgot that I even had this

1:48:30.880,1:48:37.760

okay I used to always say that and Ariane would say I wish you would please not say that

1:48:39.360,1:48:42.880

and I'd say god bless you she'd say please don't say anything

1:48:44.400,1:48:47.360

here you want to use these baby-- I don't like to see anything--

1:48:50.680,1:48:56.160

Ariane how did you why don't you tell me the story of how you began corresponding how you

1:48:56.160,1:49:00.240

first heard about the the case and--

1:49:00.240,1:49:09.440

well I heard I read about it uh sitting in
a dentist's office in 1954 in December and

1:49:12.320,1:49:17.520

they uh they it was this article was
describing the trial and usually I'd never

1:49:18.720,1:49:25.600

uh read magazines or so I've you know except
perhaps the Playboy at that time but only the

1:49:25.600,1:49:28.000

daily newspaper that was all--Playboy--and

1:49:29.440,1:49:32.560

yeah I used to buy that at a
special international bookstore

1:49:32.560,1:49:39.920

all the time uh well I like to know what men
like and what they talk about and stuff so

1:49:41.440,1:49:50.320

um then sitting at that dentist's office I had
nothing better to do and I picked up a newspaper

1:49:50.320,1:49:59.280

a magazine and there was a story about Sam about
the trial and how it looked as though this man was

1:49:59.920,1:50:09.840

getting a trial by newspaper and that it looks
very much that his only crime is that he is

1:50:10.880,1:50:19.360

he has committed adultery but that they are
convicting him of murder and it looked as though

1:50:20.160,1:50:24.880

he was made responsible he was taken as a subject
first of all they didn't have anybody else

1:50:26.080,1:50:32.160

and as we as we discussed before it was shortly
before Christmas and they wanted to get this

1:50:32.160,1:50:40.800

case closed and also he was a little bit out
of the ordinary and which the people around him

1:50:40.800,1:50:46.240

didn't approve of very much he drove foreign cars
he had tailor-made suits he was very successful

1:50:46.880,1:50:53.120

very young very successful he had this ready-made
nest waiting for him here in Cleveland when he

1:50:53.120,1:51:00.800

came back from California all these were points
that were arousing people's jealousy and envy and

1:51:01.680,1:51:07.200

that's how that newspaper pointed out that
it is possible that's why they pick on him

1:51:08.080,1:51:15.840

and uh well from from reading the overall
story I just couldn't get it out of my mind and

1:51:16.880,1:51:22.640

I went through my dental appointment and then went
home to my mother also that was in Duisburg and

1:51:22.640,1:51:31.360

I was living in Dusseldorf at the time already
because I was married and I got married in '53

1:51:31.360,1:51:37.920

and this was '54 and we had a long discussion
all afternoon about this Dr. Sam Sheppard case

1:51:39.840,1:51:48.080

and I got all upset about this and I was brought
up by my father ever since I could hardly talk he

1:51:48.080,1:51:54.320

used to take me on his knee and tell me you
always have to always have to observe three

1:51:54.320,1:52:00.000

things you have to be tell the truth no matter
what you have to be fair and you have to be

1:52:00.000,1:52:10.320

just and I practically grew up with this
and so perhaps that is why it affected me I

1:52:10.320,1:52:18.000

I'm always told by friends and employees like
maids and people personnel we had at home

1:52:18.000,1:52:23.680

that they uh they always could count on my
defense that I would defend them if something was

1:52:24.480,1:52:31.280

if they were accused of something that I felt
was the other way you know so probably that's

1:52:31.280,1:52:36.720

what it was and we had a long discussion and
also my ex-husband my first husband and uh

1:52:38.640,1:52:43.600

but he didn't get too upset about it and my mother
told me well you shouldn't you can't do anything

1:52:43.600,1:52:49.360

about this that's so many miles away and what
could you what could we do about it you know

1:52:49.360,1:52:56.640

and I said well I don't know somebody should
do something about it well that was that and

1:52:57.680,1:53:07.200

I went back to Dusseldorf and in March '55 I went
to the Riviera and right away of course I thought

1:53:07.200,1:53:12.800

well I'll I'll have to write to this Dr. Sam
Sheppard and tell him that I believe strongly

1:53:12.800,1:53:19.760

that he is innocent and but I postponed it because
I didn't know how to do it and my English was not

1:53:22.160,1:53:28.240

the best in school and in languages
but I just felt too inadequate somehow

1:53:29.280,1:53:36.080

and then on '55 in March I went to the
Riviera and I met an American couple

1:53:37.520,1:53:44.480

we are still very close friends now and
they feel that they were material in

1:53:44.480,1:53:54.000

our getting together and they live in New Haven a
doctor and Mrs. Zechlin(?) he's an eye doctor and

1:53:55.200,1:54:02.160

so I met them on the Riviera because they thought
it was during the film festivals and everybody

1:54:02.160,1:54:09.200

at that time on the Riviera thinks that the next
person is somebody and so it happened to me that

1:54:09.200,1:54:13.760

some cars stopped some open cars we were
sitting on a terrace right by the big um

1:54:16.000,1:54:22.960

promenade and there were they were people were
pulling cameras out and were taking pictures of me

1:54:22.960,1:54:28.560

just sitting there and the big group of teenagers
came running on their terrace my autograph my

1:54:28.560,1:54:34.080

autograph I said well I'm nobody I'm a housewife
I'm a mother I had a daughter at that time of

1:54:34.080,1:54:42.240

one year old and uh but nobody believed me so I
said okay I'll write my name and write housewife

1:54:42.800,1:54:47.600

so they've so to get rid of them and so they finally left and so this Dr. Betlin(?) had sat

1:54:47.600,1:54:54.400

at the next table and he said 'excuse me are you really nobody' and I said 'yes I'm really nobody'

1:54:54.400,1:54:59.600

and he said 'well could we have a drink together with you and I'm Dr. Betlin' and so forth

1:55:00.400,1:55:05.600

I said 'oh you come from the United States I said you're the first Americans that I meet

1:55:05.600,1:55:11.360

and I'm very glad because I want to ask you about the Sheppard case have you heard about the case

1:55:11.360,1:55:16.400

of Dr. Sam Sheppard' they said 'oh yes certainly we have' and I said 'well what do you think about

1:55:16.400,1:55:21.920

it' they said both 'well we believe strongly that that man is getting a fa- a bad deal

1:55:22.560,1:55:29.760

he's being railroaded for somebody else somebody is somebody is covering for somebody and this man

1:55:29.760,1:55:34.800

has to take the rap' I said 'well what are you doing about it and he said 'well what are we

1:55:34.800,1:55:38.240

supposed to do about it' I said 'your beautiful free

1:55:38.240,1:55:41.920

country and your justice is so praised over here

1:55:42.640,1:55:49.120

and you just tell me you can't do anything about it' well they said I said 'well somebody must do

1:55:49.120,1:55:54.960

something about this' so we liked each other so much that we stayed together for the next three

1:55:54.960,1:56:00.720

weeks or so that they were in Europe I of course stayed as usual all summer long on the Riviera

1:56:02.080,1:56:09.520

so we became real close friends and time and again every day or so I started to talk again about the

1:56:09.520,1:56:11.840

Sheppard case and they

1:56:11.840,1:56:15.840

they said 'gee Ariane I wish you could
stop talking about this case we can't

1:56:15.840,1:56:17.920

do anything about it we feel bad about it'

1:56:18.640,1:56:23.440

and well we had pretty vital
uh wild discussions about it

1:56:24.960,1:56:31.920

so I went home later on and the years passed and
I always thought well I only wish I knew what has

1:56:31.920,1:56:39.840

become of this man and I sat down several times
to write a letter and I always tore it up and

1:56:39.840,1:56:47.920

threw it away because I felt I thought he has been
through enough and if I write how can I write to

1:56:47.920,1:56:54.400

a stranger even not in my own language and he
must feel as though I just want to be nosy or

1:56:54.400,1:57:02.960

want to I'm interested in sensations or stuff like
that so I always postpone it and that was until

1:57:03.520,1:57:10.400

early '59 that I had made up my mind that that
I thought well I don't get this out of my mind

1:57:11.360,1:57:18.000

in '57 I was divorced by the way and it took
me another two years to finally write the

1:57:18.000,1:57:23.520

final letter that went out and I just told myself
this is something that I have to do I know I have

1:57:23.520,1:57:28.960

to do it so I might as well get it over with I
was also afraid I wouldn't get a reply you see

1:57:29.760,1:57:37.200

so um then in '59 I finally sent a letter and I
wrote it from my memory this first article I had

1:57:37.200,1:57:45.920

never seen again and I had just read it once all I
remembered was the Sheppard Clinic Cleveland Ohio

1:57:48.400,1:57:55.840

and with of course in USA so I sent it off and
it really uh got to Dr. Stephen Sheppard and it

1:57:55.840,1:58:00.400

was about three or four weeks later I opened
the mailbox and there's a letter with the

1:58:01.440,1:58:06.080
addressee saying Sheppard and
I was terribly excited and

1:58:07.360,1:58:12.080
I didn't know who it was at that time because
Dr. Stephen's name also starts with an 'S'

1:58:12.800,1:58:20.400
and I you know the first initial and I didn't
know Sam's middle initial so 'S.A. Sheppard' it

1:58:20.400,1:58:23.680
could have been Sam and I thought perhaps
he's out and everything's fine you know

1:58:25.200,1:58:34.640
no uh Dr. Steve told me that he uh he's going
he went and showed his brother my letter and

1:58:34.640,1:58:39.440
that his brother for the first time showed
interest in a letter like this that he had quite

1:58:40.080,1:58:44.400
through the years quite a number of
women writing to him with all kinds of

1:58:45.200,1:58:49.120
sexy pictures you know in shorts
and I mean we have them here now

1:58:50.080,1:58:56.560
and that he Sam always said leave me alone with
other women I don't want to know anything about

1:58:56.560,1:59:02.560
them and that for the first time he said well
read me all this read me to me again and write

1:59:02.560,1:59:08.000
to her and tell her that I want a picture of
her and I that I want to know more about her

1:59:09.200,1:59:13.520
and he told me that he is doing fine and
that he can only visit him once a month and

1:59:14.560,1:59:20.560
through this I understood that he was still
in prison so we started this rather peculiar

1:59:20.560,1:59:26.400
correspondence I had to write to Dr. Steve
Dr. Steve would wait till his monthly visit

1:59:27.600,1:59:33.200
and then he would tell me what Sam had said
during that visit and that's what he would

1:59:33.200,1:59:38.400

write back to me so it was a very difficult
correspondence that we were keeping up

1:59:41.920,1:59:50.480

then Dr. Steve and Dr. Steve was not too uh I
don't know what the word is he didn't use too

1:59:50.480,1:59:57.200

many words you know he was very short very brief
he never mentioned the rest of his family that

1:59:57.200,2:00:03.200

I didn't even I hadn't read about that the father
was dead or that is I had forgotten because I got

2:00:03.200,2:00:10.000

the book in 1961 Dr. Steve told me the editors of
Dr. Paul of Paul Holmes and I wrote to Paul Holmes

2:00:10.000,2:00:14.880

and he sent me a book with a personal
something and that he'd written in the front

2:00:15.680,2:00:22.960

but I had forgotten about the fact that the
father had died until I read the book again so um

2:00:24.720,2:00:29.680

I uh thought maybe that's his
father and I didn't even really know

2:00:30.400,2:00:38.720

how to make all the connections and how to get
this all straight well uh then in '62 so this went

2:00:38.720,2:00:44.800

on I went along with my life on the Riviera and I
was enjoying myself I didn't have a worry in the

2:00:44.800,2:00:52.320

world I was not in despair or I was not I've been
so often accused of that that I was desperate for

2:00:52.320,2:00:59.520

a husband or something the last year before I came
here I had six marriage proposals not that that is

2:01:00.080,2:01:07.200

the I really don't care to talk about that but
that's people said that so often otherwise why

2:01:07.200,2:01:12.480

should she get herself somebody out of prison
the point is that I didn't think about the man

2:01:12.480,2:01:19.120

I thought about the man who was suffering
injustice in a prison but I didn't really

2:01:20.800,2:01:30.080

write to the man Dr. Sam Sheppard I I wrote to
an individual who was uh wrongly uh suffering for

2:01:30.080,2:01:36.720

something he didn't do which I strongly believed
and I thought I I'd do a good cause you know

2:01:36.720,2:01:42.960

to do something about at least something at the
time I didn't really know what I could do about it

2:01:43.840,2:01:49.840

and only now I know that I should have come
much earlier I should have come here as soon as

2:01:50.480,2:01:55.840

as I became interested in this perhaps I could
have done a lot more and perhaps things would

2:01:55.840,2:02:01.200

be different perhaps Sam would be out sooner now
and what do I know I could have started all my

2:02:01.200,2:02:08.240

talks to those women's clubs and to other church
groups around Cleveland to give people better

2:02:08.240,2:02:14.080

insight into Sam's case and all the details
I could have started that much earlier and

2:02:15.600,2:02:26.080

so uh I was really enjoying myself and at that
time in '62 a lot of twists was danced and life

2:02:26.080,2:02:34.480

was as wild as usual on the Riviera but that
summer the last summer in '62 when finally Sam

2:02:35.440,2:02:42.000

accomplished that I was put on his writing and
mailing list so that he could even write to me

2:02:42.000,2:02:47.680

but that was only briefly before I came to the
United States and then it was abruptly banned

2:02:47.680,2:02:54.160

every connection whatsoever but we get to that
later so during that whole summer I just uh I had

2:02:54.160,2:03:00.320

taken the book with me again to the Riviera like
I had done that first year in '61 I was lying on

2:03:00.320,2:03:05.360

the beach reading the Sheppard murder case and I
have some friends who remember that that they saw

2:03:05.360,2:03:11.600

that book and when there was nothing we we had talked about it but that was all so they were

2:03:11.600,2:03:17.600

then quite surprised when after several years they read my name in the papers in connection with that

2:03:19.200,2:03:28.960

so I told myself that I had to do something about our letters had become more personal and

2:03:30.240,2:03:37.120

it was not only just it wasn't for me just an injustice case that I was writing to I

2:03:37.120,2:03:43.840

noticed that and I was afraid that since I seem to be so obsessed with this now

2:03:46.000,2:03:54.480

that I felt what must it do to the man in prison what am I doing to this man I mean I noticed that

2:03:54.480,2:04:00.400

he was writing on a little picture that he could get out of something he would write 'all my love'

2:04:01.520,2:04:06.880

now that was in '62 and we had never mentioned love before or something and

2:04:06.880,2:04:13.120

I was very careful with such things even when I began to feel something like that for him

2:04:14.000,2:04:20.240

because I was afraid to well what you how do you treat a man who's behind bars you don't

2:04:20.800,2:04:27.920

arouse his feelings I just felt that wasn't fair you know and since I didn't know when I would get

2:04:27.920,2:04:33.680

there or when I would see him what would become of us I thought well anyway I felt so bad that summer

2:04:33.680,2:04:40.560

in 1962 that I thought I had to do something about it I have to go there and try to see him and

2:04:41.440,2:04:47.600

see see what it is how I feel how he feels we've got to do something about

2:04:47.600,2:04:52.880

either call it a friendship and keep it a lifetime friendship or call it love and

2:04:54.640,2:05:01.040

live with it because well otherwise I didn't want to do him any more harm I didn't want to

2:05:01.040,2:05:09.120

destroy him because I noticed that he had become very much encouraged by our relationship and

2:05:10.320,2:05:17.840

it just was a very delicate thing so I at the end of that year at '62 I wrote to his brother Steve

2:05:17.840,2:05:24.640

that I would head was planning after the Christmas vacation when my daughter would be back in school

2:05:25.520,2:05:35.360

that I would come and visit Dr. Sam in prison and that I would try to get entrance into the prison

2:05:36.400,2:05:40.880

and at the same time I wrote to the prison to the Marion Correctional Institution and asked them

2:05:40.880,2:05:48.880

could I visit Dr. Sam and well Dr. Steve wrote back that I don't think they'll let you in so

2:05:48.880,2:05:55.200

it's not so easy and uh well I thought to myself I'll just charm them into a visit I'll stand that

2:05:55.200,2:06:02.320

long at the door until they let me I have I'm not familiar with prisons and I did was not at the

2:06:02.320,2:06:10.080

time I didn't know how such rules and laws are and how very difficult it is and um well I was used to

2:06:10.880,2:06:16.320

having everything my way anyway in my life so I thought well I'll also get away with that and

2:06:16.320,2:06:24.240

then first I got a rejection letter from Marion Ohio from the Marion Correctional Institution and

2:06:24.240,2:06:31.600

but they reconsidered this decision and then they sent me a letter permitting me to come but that

2:06:31.600,2:06:36.720

letter reached me only when I had already visited Sam in the states because I had gone although I

2:06:36.720,2:06:42.480

had the rejection letter in my hands I had booked my plane I had made all kinds of arrangements

2:06:43.040,2:06:47.280

and finally and on Christmas Eve I also
wrote Sam that I was coming to see him

2:06:49.120,2:06:57.840

and so I was leaving and then I was
first in New York a few days and didn't