

Mr. DOE. Well, he came to my place of business for other purchases, and found out that I needed money.

The CHAIRMAN. You had not known of this man's background or connections?

Mr. DOE. No.

The CHAIRMAN. And he mentioned to you he had this money available?

Mr. DOE. Right.

The CHAIRMAN. All right, sir. Go ahead.

Mr. DOE. As I say, I received \$800 from him.

The CHAIRMAN. \$800?

Mr. DOE. \$800, right. He told me he would be around the following day to give me the other \$200, to make it a thousand. He didn't return the following day. In fact, he did not return for 3 weeks. Now, when he came back on the first week, he asked me for a hundred dollars. I says "A hundred dollars—for what? You only gave me \$800, and I didn't see you." He says, "Yes, well the 2 weeks I missed brought it up to a thousand. So you give me a hundred now, and you owe \$1,200. So I gave him the hundred dollars, and the following week I gave him a hundred, the following week I gave him a hundred. The following week I gave him a hundred. This went on for a period of about 7 weeks. Then he did not come around no more. He didn't come around for about 4 weeks. After the fourth week he came around late after the first of the month when my bills were due, and said that I owed him at that time \$400. So I says, "Well, I just paid my bills. I will give you \$200, and come around next week, and if I make enough money I will give you the balance, which will be \$300." He says, "No, give me a hundred. You owe \$1,300. We will put that on the end." In other words, he would put the \$300 on the end of what I had originally owed, plus \$200 interest. And this went on over a period of 1963 up until, I would say, June of 1967, where he was getting off me, over a period—over that period of time, a hundred dollars per week. If I could not make the payment of a hundred dollars, or if he didn't come around, or I didn't see him, he would put it on the end. In other words, every time he put \$300 on the end, supposedly, if another \$200 went on the end, it was interest.

The CHAIRMAN. So originally you intended to borrow a thousand dollars. Over this period of time, how much actually did you pay this man?

Mr. DOE. Over that period of time, I paid back over \$14,000.

The CHAIRMAN. Paid back over \$14,000?

Mr. DOE. Yes, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. How much did you actually get from him?

Mr. DOE. \$1,900.

The CHAIRMAN. \$1,900, and you paid \$14,000?

Mr. DOE. Yes, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. At the time you were first contacted by appearing before this committee, you apparently did not want to do it. Was it at your suggestion that you wear this mask?

Mr. DOE. Yes, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. Are you fearful as to what might happen to you if your identity is known?