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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:03,486
[MUSIC PLAYING]

2
00:00:03,486 --> 00:00:55,330

3
00:00:55,330 --> 00:00:57,340
This is what Europe's like.

4
00:00:57,340 --> 00:01:01,300
Now that the war is over
and the Germans are beaten.

5
00:01:01,300 --> 00:01:03,820
These are a few of the millions
of people who were once

6
00:01:03,820 --> 00:01:07,750
labor slaves of the Nazis and
who are now trying desperately

7
00:01:07,750 --> 00:01:12,010
to get home, home on to
a little farm in Poland,

8
00:01:12,010 --> 00:01:16,000
home to a tiny coastal village
in Normandy, on the Leningrad

9
00:01:16,000 --> 00:01:19,120
3,000 miles away.

10
00:01:19,120 --> 00:01:21,040
To the Allied
Military Government,

11
00:01:21,040 --> 00:01:23,710
they're known as
displaced persons.

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00:01:23,710 --> 00:01:26,620

And not until they reach
their various countries,

13
00:01:26,620 --> 00:01:28,500
will there again
be order in Europe.

14
00:01:28,500 --> 00:01:35,130

15
00:01:35,130 --> 00:01:38,900
Obeying AMG's first
instruction, the migrants

16
00:01:38,900 --> 00:01:41,840
leave the roads and move
into the open fields,

17
00:01:41,840 --> 00:01:45,500
where they gather in groups
of their own nationality.

18
00:01:45,500 --> 00:01:49,730
Footsore and weary, they
wait patiently, anxiously.

19
00:01:49,730 --> 00:01:53,207
This mother wonders where she's
going to get milk for her baby.

20
00:01:53,207 --> 00:01:55,790
This woman wants to know if her
little girl will have to sleep

21
00:01:55,790 --> 00:01:58,280
in a ditch again tonight.

22
00:01:58,280 --> 00:02:01,700
Here a GI attached
to AMG interviews

23
00:02:01,700 --> 00:02:04,490
men who've lost their

homes and their families

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00:02:04,490 --> 00:02:06,860

and arranges to send
them and as many others

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00:02:06,860 --> 00:02:10,490

as possible back to one of the
hundreds of displaced persons

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00:02:10,490 --> 00:02:14,810

camps which already have been
set up throughout Europe.

27

00:02:14,810 --> 00:02:17,210

Yes, sir.

28

00:02:17,210 --> 00:02:26,390

That'll be 35 Russians,
12,000, three French,

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00:02:26,390 --> 00:02:28,242

and three Yugoslavs.

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00:02:28,242 --> 00:02:29,720

Yes, sir.

31

00:02:29,720 --> 00:02:32,000

How many of those are women?

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00:02:32,000 --> 00:02:38,500

28 Russian women and
11,000 boys with a priest.

33

00:02:38,500 --> 00:02:40,505

Yes, sir, we'll
be ready for them.

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00:02:40,505 --> 00:02:44,733

Expect them in the
two hours, Yes, sir.

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00:02:44,733 --> 00:02:47,559
Corporal Portman.

36
00:02:47,559 --> 00:02:48,980
Yes, sir.

37
00:02:48,980 --> 00:02:52,670
We have 53 people coming in
within the next two hours.

38
00:02:52,670 --> 00:02:54,050
Two of them are wounded.

39
00:02:54,050 --> 00:02:55,550
Will you instruct
the doctor to have

40
00:02:55,550 --> 00:02:58,010
two beds ready in the
infirmary to receive them?

41
00:02:58,010 --> 00:02:59,500
Yes, sir.

42
00:02:59,500 --> 00:03:00,720
Lieutenant Helm.

43
00:03:00,720 --> 00:03:01,290
Yes, sir.

44
00:03:01,290 --> 00:03:03,620
Will you instruct the
Russian liaison officer,

45
00:03:03,620 --> 00:03:06,080
the Belgian liaison officer,
and the French liaison officer

46
00:03:06,080 --> 00:03:08,670
to be prepared to receive their
nationals when they come in.

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00:03:08,670 --> 00:03:09,170
All right.

48
00:03:09,170 --> 00:03:11,000
In about two hours.

49
00:03:11,000 --> 00:03:14,720
Upon arrival, the children
received first attention.

50
00:03:14,720 --> 00:03:17,420
Children without
mothers or fathers,

51
00:03:17,420 --> 00:03:20,180
children orphaned by
the bombs of battle,

52
00:03:20,180 --> 00:03:23,100
the deadly aim of the
Nazi firing squad,

53
00:03:23,100 --> 00:03:26,870
the hot flames of an oven
inside a German death factory.

54
00:03:26,870 --> 00:03:31,610
In peace as in war English,
Russians, French, Belgians, and

55
00:03:31,610 --> 00:03:34,340
Americans are working
together operating

56
00:03:34,340 --> 00:03:36,950
this displaced persons camp.

57
00:03:36,950 --> 00:03:39,920
The cooperation and unity
that brought about victory

58
00:03:39,920 --> 00:03:43,400
is helping to bring order out of

the suffering and chaos created

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00:03:43,400 --> 00:03:44,000
by Hitler.

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00:03:44,000 --> 00:03:50,490

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00:03:50,490 --> 00:03:54,180
Inside, three Belgium officials
welcome this Belgian mother

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00:03:54,180 --> 00:03:55,260
and her child.

63

00:03:55,260 --> 00:03:56,690
Name, please.

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00:03:56,690 --> 00:03:57,600
Religion.

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00:03:57,600 --> 00:04:00,960
Where in Belgium was your home
before the Nazis kidnapped you?

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00:04:00,960 --> 00:04:02,730
How long and in
what capacity where

67

00:04:02,730 --> 00:04:04,590
you were forced to serve them?

68

00:04:04,590 --> 00:04:07,620
Well, I played sympathetically
the questions were asked.

69

00:04:07,620 --> 00:04:10,860
And as they're answered by
this woman and other arrivals,

70

00:04:10,860 --> 00:04:13,260
we see how thoroughly

and pitilessly Hitler

71
00:04:13,260 --> 00:04:15,630
uprooted every
nationality in Europe

72
00:04:15,630 --> 00:04:18,990
and chained them to
his vast war machine.

73
00:04:18,990 --> 00:04:22,380
Either these persons
turned out guns or planes

74
00:04:22,380 --> 00:04:25,140
or they went to a
concentration camp.

75
00:04:25,140 --> 00:04:28,410
Either they served the
Nazis new order obediently

76
00:04:28,410 --> 00:04:30,645
or they were killed.

77
00:04:30,645 --> 00:04:32,010
What's your name?

78
00:04:32,010 --> 00:04:36,590
[NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]

79
00:04:36,590 --> 00:04:42,300

80
00:04:42,300 --> 00:04:47,220
And against Russians like these,
the Nazis were most ruthless.

81
00:04:47,220 --> 00:04:50,260
For half the displaced
persons inside Germany

82

00:04:50,260 --> 00:04:52,110
are citizens of
the Soviet Union.

83
00:04:52,110 --> 00:04:56,320

84
00:04:56,320 --> 00:04:59,110
After being interviewed,
every displaced person

85
00:04:59,110 --> 00:05:02,290
undergoes a thorough
physical examination.

86
00:05:02,290 --> 00:05:04,750
As these people have
spread over Europe,

87
00:05:04,750 --> 00:05:07,000
disease has spread with them.

88
00:05:07,000 --> 00:05:09,520
And today, Europe is
threatened with the same raging

89
00:05:09,520 --> 00:05:11,680
epidemics that wiped
off millions of people

90
00:05:11,680 --> 00:05:13,540
after the last war.

91
00:05:13,540 --> 00:05:17,110
Typhus, encouraged by fowl
drinking water, bad food,

92
00:05:17,110 --> 00:05:21,190
and wretched sanitation,
endangers not only these people

93
00:05:21,190 --> 00:05:25,540
but the lives of the GIs

who must occupy Germany.

94

00:05:25,540 --> 00:05:28,840

Here an old farmer who once
peacefully plowed his land

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00:05:28,840 --> 00:05:31,120

on a Ukraine farm
receives a pair

96

00:05:31,120 --> 00:05:32,950

of shoes that
might have belonged

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00:05:32,950 --> 00:05:36,610

to a French lawyer or an English
newspaperman or a Hollywood

98

00:05:36,610 --> 00:05:38,140

movie actor.

99

00:05:38,140 --> 00:05:41,200

Through the efforts of
the Red Cross and UNRRA,

100

00:05:41,200 --> 00:05:43,030

people of goodwill
the world over

101

00:05:43,030 --> 00:05:45,850

have gone into their attics,
closets, and lower bureau

102

00:05:45,850 --> 00:05:48,700

drawers so that Hitler's
many victims can

103

00:05:48,700 --> 00:05:51,940

return as soon as
possible to a normal life

104

00:05:51,940 --> 00:05:53,800

and their own homes.

105
00:05:53,800 --> 00:05:55,780
Now and never
again, to those who

106
00:05:55,780 --> 00:05:59,170
love peace and decency
want a child like this

107
00:05:59,170 --> 00:06:01,180
to sleep in the
last ridden clothes

108
00:06:01,180 --> 00:06:03,100
he took from the
diseased dead in order

109
00:06:03,100 --> 00:06:04,510
to survive against the cold.

110
00:06:04,510 --> 00:06:10,440

111
00:06:10,440 --> 00:06:12,000
Come and get it.

112
00:06:12,000 --> 00:06:16,230
Food, warm and nourishing food
for stomachs gnawed with hunger

113
00:06:16,230 --> 00:06:19,410
and ruined by a diet of
grassroots and leaves

114
00:06:19,410 --> 00:06:22,170
and bread mixed with sawdust.

115
00:06:22,170 --> 00:06:24,330
For years, these
people starved so

116
00:06:24,330 --> 00:06:25,800

that the Germans
could eat better

117
00:06:25,800 --> 00:06:28,050
than any other nation in Europe.

118
00:06:28,050 --> 00:06:31,240
Now with victory,
all this has changed.

119
00:06:31,240 --> 00:06:34,170
These people can get the proper
amount of vitamins and calories

120
00:06:34,170 --> 00:06:35,430
every day.

121
00:06:35,430 --> 00:06:38,178
So a little of the damage
done in their health

122
00:06:38,178 --> 00:06:38,845
can be repaired.

123
00:06:38,845 --> 00:06:47,750

124
00:06:47,750 --> 00:06:51,110
In another part of the camp,
many of these displaced persons

125
00:06:51,110 --> 00:06:55,200
are being returned home,
but on a priority basis.

126
00:06:55,200 --> 00:06:58,430
Men like this Russian, who have
been liberated from German PW

127
00:06:58,430 --> 00:07:01,580
camps, are given first
consideration and leave

128

00:07:01,580 --> 00:07:03,112
almost immediately.

129

00:07:03,112 --> 00:07:07,050

130

00:07:07,050 --> 00:07:09,150
But others such as
this French woman,

131

00:07:09,150 --> 00:07:11,730
who worked as a domestic
servant for the Nazis,

132

00:07:11,730 --> 00:07:15,570
learned that skilled labor
must be returned home first.

133

00:07:15,570 --> 00:07:17,550
So that the work of
rebuilding damaged

134

00:07:17,550 --> 00:07:19,970
France can begin as
soon as possible.

135

00:07:19,970 --> 00:07:25,430

136

00:07:25,430 --> 00:07:28,790
While waiting, each nationality
has given its own quarters

137

00:07:28,790 --> 00:07:29,840
in the camp.

138

00:07:29,840 --> 00:07:32,330
Here they smoke,
relax, and play cards

139

00:07:32,330 --> 00:07:36,470
without fear or nervousness for

the first time in many years.

140
00:07:36,470 --> 00:07:39,140
At the same time, the
strong and able-bodied

141
00:07:39,140 --> 00:07:42,050
are assigned regular details
so that the work of the camp

142
00:07:42,050 --> 00:07:44,540
can be improved and speeded.

143
00:07:44,540 --> 00:07:47,960
Details that will be
accomplished as free citizens,

144
00:07:47,960 --> 00:07:50,860
not under the gun or
a whip of an SS guard.

145
00:07:50,860 --> 00:07:58,760

146
00:07:58,760 --> 00:08:02,510
Why do we and our Allies
help these people?

147
00:08:02,510 --> 00:08:04,010
Is it charity?

148
00:08:04,010 --> 00:08:06,140
Is it human kindness?

149
00:08:06,140 --> 00:08:09,140
Or is America a sucker to
bother with these Europeans

150
00:08:09,140 --> 00:08:11,900
now that we've been Hitler?

151
00:08:11,900 --> 00:08:14,750

A little of human kindness
for these people, yes.

152
00:08:14,750 --> 00:08:16,580
But not suckers.

153
00:08:16,580 --> 00:08:19,820
For today, we realize that
our half of the world,

154
00:08:19,820 --> 00:08:25,520
the American half, cannot remain
well if the other half is sick.

155
00:08:25,520 --> 00:08:27,650
We realize that we
must rehabilitate

156
00:08:27,650 --> 00:08:30,080
these displaced persons
for our own interest

157
00:08:30,080 --> 00:08:33,679
and self-preservation
as well as theirs.

158
00:08:33,679 --> 00:08:36,140
If we don't help
these people now,

159
00:08:36,140 --> 00:08:39,210
then the chaos will
continue indefinitely.

160
00:08:39,210 --> 00:08:42,860
And the seeds of a Third
World War will take root.

161
00:08:42,860 --> 00:08:45,140
In another 20 years,
we don't want a child

162
00:08:45,140 --> 00:08:48,250

like this in
uniform, or if it is,

163
00:08:48,250 --> 00:08:50,930
it will probably mean
that our own children will

164
00:08:50,930 --> 00:08:53,350
be in uniform too.

165
00:08:53,350 --> 00:08:56,330
To guarantee the peace
and the democratic future

166
00:08:56,330 --> 00:08:59,090
of every child in
the world, that's

167
00:08:59,090 --> 00:09:02,600
why this Belgian baby or
Russian baby or French baby

168
00:09:02,600 --> 00:09:07,130
or Polish baby, is today
under an army woolen blanket

169
00:09:07,130 --> 00:09:08,435
marked US.

170
00:09:08,435 --> 00:09:26,750

171
00:09:26,750 --> 00:09:28,420
Hello, fellows.

172
00:09:28,420 --> 00:09:30,350
For weeks, men have
written in, asking

173
00:09:30,350 --> 00:09:33,590
for a glimpse of their main
street in their hometown.

174

00:09:33,590 --> 00:09:36,830

Well, we're going to show you
half a dozen main streets,

175

00:09:36,830 --> 00:09:39,620

scattered all over
the good old USA.

176

00:09:39,620 --> 00:09:41,990

One of them may be yours
too, even though you

177

00:09:41,990 --> 00:09:43,460

didn't ask to see it.

178

00:09:43,460 --> 00:09:46,460

So keep your eyes open.

179

00:09:46,460 --> 00:09:49,010

To begin with, this
is Capitol Street,

180

00:09:49,010 --> 00:09:51,560

the main drag of
Charleston, West Virginia,

181

00:09:51,560 --> 00:09:53,900

the hometown of
PFC Clifton Barker

182

00:09:53,900 --> 00:09:55,880

of the 627th medical company.

183

00:09:55,880 --> 00:09:59,770

184

00:09:59,770 --> 00:10:02,800

And here's the main street of
Wytheville, Virginia, where

185

00:10:02,800 --> 00:10:05,360

Corporal Dulaine F. Kitter

and his four brothers

186
00:10:05,360 --> 00:10:08,490
also in the service.

187
00:10:08,490 --> 00:10:12,300
Corporal Lionel Andrade of
the 597th fourth battalion

188
00:10:12,300 --> 00:10:15,660
wanted to see the main stem
of Fall River, Massachusetts.

189
00:10:15,660 --> 00:10:18,690
Here it is, corporal, with the
bus pulling into the depot as

190
00:10:18,690 --> 00:10:20,370
requested.

191
00:10:20,370 --> 00:10:22,380
Next, a glimpse of
Springfield Street

192
00:10:22,380 --> 00:10:25,080
looking toward Market Street
at the center of Newark, New

193
00:10:25,080 --> 00:10:30,540
Jersey, as per the
request of CV Sam Benson.

194
00:10:30,540 --> 00:10:33,510
Moving West, far West,
here's the main street

195
00:10:33,510 --> 00:10:35,460
of Winslow, Arizona.

196
00:10:35,460 --> 00:10:38,610
T3 Jack Jenkins says
Winslow is a small town

197

00:10:38,610 --> 00:10:40,440
and its main street isn't much.

198

00:10:40,440 --> 00:10:41,970
But as far as he's
concerned, it's

199

00:10:41,970 --> 00:10:45,420
the spot he wants to
come back to after Tokyo.

200

00:10:45,420 --> 00:10:47,910
And while we're out West,
here's the main street

201

00:10:47,910 --> 00:10:51,870
of Tucson, Arizona, where
Private LV Clark, Private

202

00:10:51,870 --> 00:10:53,790
Clark of the Third
Marine Division

203

00:10:53,790 --> 00:10:56,640
writes that his outfit has
seen a lot of action down under

204

00:10:56,640 --> 00:10:58,200
and several of his
buddies would like

205

00:10:58,200 --> 00:11:00,440
a look at their old hometown.

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00:11:00,440 --> 00:11:01,000