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00:00:00,000 \longrightarrow 00:00:12,290
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00:00:12,290 --> 00:00:12,920
Standing there.
00:00:12,920 --> 00:00:15,450
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00:00:15,450 --> 00:00:25,030
And I was watching through I saw
about 18, 20, maybe more wagons
00:00:25,030 \longrightarrow 00:00:27,420
going away.
6
00:00:27,420 \longrightarrow 00:00:33,710
And after about an hour or so,
I saw the ones coming back,
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00:00:33,710 --> 00:00:36,080
but without the people.
00:00:36,080 --> 00:00:38,548
But excuse me, this was where?
00:00:38,548 --> 00:00:40,090
This was at the
station of Treblinka?
00:00:40,090 \longrightarrow 00:00:42,330
This was at the
station at Treblinka.
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00:00:42,330 \longrightarrow 00:00:44,350
And did you see some
signs in the station,
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signs in the station,

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00:00:44,350 --> 00:00:46,050
the name of Treblinka--

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00:00:46,050 --> 00:00:46,811
No -- there --

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00:00:46,811 --> 00:00:51,230

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00:00:51,230 --> 00:00:52,212
But--

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00:00:52,212 --> 00:00:55,649
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17 00:00:55,649 --> 00:01:09,300

18 00:01:09,300 --> 00:01:10,420 How long did you wait?

19 00:01:10,420 --> 00:01:13,770

20 00:01:13,770 --> 00:01:15,300 We arrived in the morning.

21 00:01:15,300 --> 00:01:19,710 We arrived about, I would say, about 6:00, maybe 6:30.

22 00:01:19,710 --> 00:01:26,840 And I saw about three, four trains coming in with people.

23 00:01:26,840 --> 00:01:33,890 Each one it was I would say at least 20 wagons maybe 22,

24 00:01:33,890 --> 00:01:35,280 going in.

25 00:01:35,280 --> 00:01:40,142 My train where I came from Treblinka--

26 00:01:40,142 --> 00:01:40,850 From Czestochowa?

27 00:01:40,850 --> 00:01:42,800 I mean, from Czestochowa.

28 00:01:42,800 --> 00:01:48,930 We stayed there until about 12 o'clock.

29 00:01:48,930 --> 00:01:49,550 And--

30 00:01:49,550 --> 00:01:57,166 And pardon me, did you see people on the K?

31 00:01:57,166 --> 00:01:58,260 Did you see Poles?

32 00:01:58,260 --> 00:02:00,650 Did these people try to talk to you?

33 00:02:00,650 --> 00:02:01,360 No.

34 00:02:01,360 --> 00:02:01,860 No.

35 00:02:01,860 --> 00:02:03,090 Did not see.

36 00:02:03,090 --> 00:02:04,470 Didn't see anybody.

37 00:02:04,470 --> 00:02:06,450 We saw only Germans. 00:02:06,450 --> 00:02:07,110 Yes.

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00:02:07,110 --> 00:02:11,470 All around, we didn't see any Polish people but Germans.

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00:02:11,470 --> 00:02:13,980 When we stayed there at that station

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00:02:13,980 --> 00:02:20,550 over there waiting to go into Treblinka, some of those German

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00:02:20,550 --> 00:02:25,770 SS, they came around and were asking us what we have.

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00:02:25,770 --> 00:02:31,590 So we said we got some of the people they have gold.

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00:02:31,590 --> 00:02:33,840 They have diamonds.

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00:02:33,840 --> 00:02:35,910 But we want water.

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00:02:35,910 --> 00:02:37,560 So they said, good.

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00:02:37,560 --> 00:02:38,620 Give us the diamonds.

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00:02:38,620 --> 00:02:40,120 We bring you water.

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00:02:40,120 --> 00:02:41,020

The Germans?

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00:02:41,020 --> 00:02:41,520

Yeah.

51 00:02:41,520 --> 00:02:42,280 They took away.

52 00:02:42,280 --> 00:02:45,830 They didn't bring any water at all.

53 00:02:45,830 --> 00:02:47,750 How long did last the trip?

54 00:02:47,750 --> 00:02:54,260 The trip lasted from Czestochowa to Treblinka

55 00:02:54,260 --> 00:03:00,170 about 24 hours with interruption waiting in Warsaw

56 00:03:00,170 --> 00:03:03,800 and also waiting at Treblinka going into Treblinka.

57 00:03:03,800 --> 00:03:06,760

58 00:03:06,760 --> 00:03:09,970 At the last train, we went in over there.

59 00:03:09,970 --> 00:03:12,790 But like I mentioned before, I saw

60 00:03:12,790 --> 00:03:15,570 see many trains coming back, but the trains

61 00:03:15,570 --> 00:03:17,880 were without the people. 00:03:17,880 --> 00:03:21,370 So I said to myself, what happened to the people?

63 00:03:21,370 --> 00:03:25,450 We don't see any people, just trains coming back.

64 00:03:25,450 --> 00:03:32,680 Until we had order that our train went in also

65 00:03:32,680 --> 00:03:39,480 from that part from Treblinka and a special-made truck going

66 00:03:39,480 --> 00:03:45,060 into the Treblinka camp or extermination

67 00:03:45,060 --> 00:03:49,020 camp, whatever it was at that time, we didn't know.

68 00:03:49,020 --> 00:03:56,530 When we got in to Treblinka to the extermination camp, all

69 00:03:56,530 --> 00:04:00,730 of a sudden, we heard screaming people and hollering,

70 00:04:00,730 --> 00:04:06,030 men to the right and woman to the left.

71 00:04:06,030 --> 00:04:11,450 So when we came out, we didn't go out but we just fly out.

72 00:04:11,450 --> 00:04:15,150 The pushing of the people, the running go out from the train

00:04:15,150 --> 00:04:18,630 because one was on top of the other.

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00:04:18,630 --> 00:04:21,040 And some of the people coming, they

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00:04:21,040 --> 00:04:25,890 were already dead from choking because there was

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00:04:25,890 --> 00:04:27,540 too many people in that train.

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00:04:27,540 --> 00:04:29,160 There were dead people in your wagon?

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00:04:29,160 --> 00:04:30,870 Yes, there was.

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00:04:30,870 --> 00:04:33,120 And when we came out over there--

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00:04:33,120 --> 00:04:35,080 How was your child?

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00:04:35,080 --> 00:04:37,090 My child was all right.

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00:04:37,090 --> 00:04:39,100 My child was alive coming out.

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00:04:39,100 --> 00:04:41,770 My wife was holding the child.

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00:04:41,770 --> 00:04:45,580 And my mother was

together with her.

85 00:04:45,580 --> 00:04:48,280 And coming out over there we didn't

86 00:04:48,280 --> 00:04:49,930 know who the people were.

87 00:04:49,930 --> 00:04:53,800 Some people were having armbands.

88 00:04:53,800 --> 00:04:55,780 Some of them they have red.

89 00:04:55,780 --> 00:04:57,940 Some of them, they had blue.

90 00:04:57,940 --> 00:05:02,000 And they-- not only they told us,

91 00:05:02,000 --> 00:05:04,390 but they were hollering that the man has

92 00:05:04,390 --> 00:05:06,380 to go on the right side.

93 00:05:06,380 --> 00:05:10,990 So we went, me and my brother, some father from the relatives

94 00:05:10,990 --> 00:05:12,230 went to the right side.

95 00:05:12,230 --> 00:05:13,620 Oh, this was in the hurry?

96 00:05:13,620 --> 00:05:15,585 There was in Treblinka. 00:05:15,585 --> 00:05:17,950 No, but it was in a hurry, in a rush?

98 00:05:17,950 --> 00:05:19,180 Oh, it's in a hurry.

99 00:05:19,180 --> 00:05:22,480 Not even we could have no time to breathe.

100 00:05:22,480 --> 00:05:26,320 And the woman went into the left side to the barrack.

101 00:05:26,320 --> 00:05:29,890 And that was the last time I saw anybody

102 00:05:29,890 --> 00:05:33,830 of the female relative of mine.

103 00:05:33,830 --> 00:05:36,690

104 00:05:36,690 --> 00:05:40,310 I can say from the men because I was there.

105 00:05:40,310 --> 00:05:43,610 We were sitting over there and we had

106 00:05:43,610 --> 00:05:47,690 orders from the red commander.

107 00:05:47,690 --> 00:05:50,252 That's what they call them, the red commander.

108 00:05:50,252 --> 00:05:50,960 Jewish commander?

00:05:50,960 --> 00:05:52,800 Jewish commander.

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00:05:52,800 --> 00:05:55,220 To take off the shoes.

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00:05:55,220 --> 00:05:57,450 To put them together.

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00:05:57,450 --> 00:06:01,740 To take off the clothes, put together in bundles,

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00:06:01,740 --> 00:06:05,610 and to sit and to wait.

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00:06:05,610 --> 00:06:07,890 We were doing this.

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00:06:07,890 --> 00:06:12,360 In the meantime, they took out people and they pushed them.

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00:06:12,360 --> 00:06:15,120 After they were through with the women,

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00:06:15,120 --> 00:06:21,030 that pushed-- start pushing the men into the gate

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00:06:21,030 --> 00:06:28,980 where this archway we called the last road from life to death.

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00:06:28,980 --> 00:06:31,810 Yes, but at the time, you didn't know this.

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00:06:31,810 --> 00:06:32,680 I did not.

00:06:32,680 --> 00:06:33,180 Excuse me.

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 $00:06:33,180 \longrightarrow 00:06:33,370$ Of course not.

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00:06:33,370 --> 00:06:34,540 I want that you tell me--

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00:06:34,540 --> 00:06:35,930 No, we did not know.

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00:06:35,930 --> 00:06:38,480 --describe the situation at the time.

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00:06:38,480 --> 00:06:40,950 At that time, the situation was that we

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00:06:40,950 --> 00:06:49,640 were waiting until our group should go into the gas chamber.

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00:06:49,640 --> 00:06:53,960 (film slating)

00:06:53,960 --> 00:07:05,840

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00:07:05,840 --> 00:07:11,230 I'm now talking about the revolt of Treblinka.

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 $00:07:11,230 \longrightarrow 00:07:14,510$ Now, I wanted to know, do you know-- you--

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00:07:14,510 --> 00:07:16,290 exactly how many people succeeded

00:07:16,290 --> 00:07:19,490 to escape Treblinka during the time

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 $00:07:19,490 \longrightarrow 00:07:23,400$  when the camp was in action.

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00:07:23,400 --> 00:07:27,260 I wouldn't say that I know.

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00:07:27,260 --> 00:07:31,890 But I know a lot of people tried to escape.

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00:07:31,890 --> 00:07:38,870 And a lot of people did not succeed, which means they got

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00:07:38,870 --> 00:07:41,710 killed--

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00:07:41,710 --> 00:07:46,270 in Treblinka, some of them by the wire.

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00:07:46,270 --> 00:07:48,970 Some of them on the gates.

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00:07:48,970 --> 00:07:52,990 And a lot of them outside, because outside Treblinka

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00:07:52,990 --> 00:07:59,490 was surrounded by a camp from the Ukrainian.

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00:07:59,490 --> 00:08:02,350 Ukrainian had that camp over there.

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00:08:02,350 --> 00:08:04,230

And they had their

watch towers over there.

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00:08:04,230 --> 00:08:07,970

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00:08:07,970 --> 00:08:10,380 But I would say there is a number of people

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00:08:10,380 --> 00:08:15,290 which they escaped before their revolt of it.

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00:08:15,290 --> 00:08:16,490 How many?

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00:08:16,490 --> 00:08:21,890 I would say between about 15, 18 of them.

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00:08:21,890 --> 00:08:24,260 This is not known.

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00:08:24,260 --> 00:08:25,310 It is not known.

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00:08:25,310 --> 00:08:29,326 But I know a number of people which they escaped.

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00:08:29,326 --> 00:08:32,600 But how did the idea to escape came to you?

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00:08:32,600 --> 00:08:34,010 when ?

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00:08:34,010 --> 00:08:40,070 The idea of escaping

from Treblinka--

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00:08:40,070 --> 00:08:42,500

## everyone in Treblinka had the same idea

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00:08:42,500 --> 00:08:48,570 to escape because over there we know for sure that we're

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00:08:48,570 --> 00:08:50,500 going to be dead.

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00:08:50,500 --> 00:08:55,850 And on the outside, there is something like a maybe.

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00:08:55,850 --> 00:08:59,620 Maybe we could be safe.

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00:08:59,620 --> 00:09:04,620 And groups started to organize themselves.

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00:09:04,620 --> 00:09:07,728 Like, I had also a group--

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00:09:07,728 --> 00:09:08,520 You were not alone.

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00:09:08,520 --> 00:09:09,160 --of people.

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00:09:09,160 --> 00:09:10,040 Not alone.

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00:09:10,040 --> 00:09:11,240 A group of people.

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00:09:11,240 --> 00:09:14,310 We were about eight or 10 together.

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00:09:14,310 --> 00:09:19,200 And we had the same idea about escaping from Treblinka.

169 00:09:19,200 --> 00:09:23,380 But escaping from Treblinka there was a lot of things.

170 00:09:23,380 --> 00:09:25,420 First thing, you've got to have money--

171 00:09:25,420 --> 00:09:27,160 a lot of money.

172 00:09:27,160 --> 00:09:30,460 Because when you get on the outside, the Polish people,

173 00:09:30,460 --> 00:09:32,900 they will do everything for money.

174 00:09:32,900 --> 00:09:38,240 But they will not do anything to save you just because you are

175 00:09:38,240 --> 00:09:42,180 a Jew or you are a nice man.

176 00:09:42,180 --> 00:09:48,060 What we did is we tried to get as much money

177 00:09:48,060 --> 00:09:53,280 as we could from the people they arrive from the transport.

178 00:09:53,280 --> 00:09:57,990 And a lot of people, they took their belongings with them.

179 00:09:57,990 --> 00:10:03,720 They had with them the most what they could get.

00:10:03,720 --> 00:10:09,952 And we find in the clothes some money, some diamonds--

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00:10:09,952 --> 00:10:10,910 When you say that you--

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00:10:10,910 --> 00:10:15,040 --and some gold-- when we are working in the Treblinka

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00:10:15,040 --> 00:10:25,640 over there, where we selected the clothes like shorts, shoes.

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00:10:25,640 --> 00:10:27,910 A lot of people had their money in the shoes.

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00:10:27,910 --> 00:10:34,210 And we tried to get that money, to hide the money

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00:10:34,210 --> 00:10:35,470 that the Germans--

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00:10:35,470 --> 00:10:39,010 not only the Germans, but even the Jewish people,

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00:10:39,010 --> 00:10:44,450 they shouldn't know, because to let know anybody

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00:10:44,450 --> 00:10:48,600 that you're going to escape, it was horrible.

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00:10:48,600 --> 00:10:52,890 It happened at a time when I was there.

00:10:52,890 --> 00:10:57,050 They caught some people escaping.

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00:10:57,050 --> 00:11:00,650 And they brought them back as far as from Malkin.

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00:11:00,650 --> 00:11:04,070 They brought them back as far-- even further.

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00:11:04,070 --> 00:11:07,520 And they brought them into the camp

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00:11:07,520 --> 00:11:11,170 and they hanged them by their legs.

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00:11:11,170 --> 00:11:12,460 Some of them.

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00:11:12,460 --> 00:11:14,650 I remember just like now, they were

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00:11:14,650 --> 00:11:23,430 hanging for hours and hours until we begged the Germans

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00:11:23,430 --> 00:11:24,350 they should kill them.

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00:11:24,350 --> 00:11:27,060

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00:11:27,060 --> 00:11:31,230 And they went over before the day ended and they killed him.

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00:11:31,230 --> 00:11:33,230

Or their head was full up--

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00:11:33,230 --> 00:11:38,100 the whole thing from the inside went to their head.

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00:11:38,100 --> 00:11:41,680 And that's why we were afraid to even to mention to the closest

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00:11:41,680 --> 00:11:47,130 one, where a brother didn't tell his brother that he is trying

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00:11:47,130 --> 00:11:51,540 to escape, or some didn't tell his father,

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00:11:51,540 --> 00:11:56,340 because if the father will know that the son has a plan

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00:11:56,340 --> 00:12:00,850 to escape and they will try to get out from his father,

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00:12:00,850 --> 00:12:04,110 it could be that the father will tell the German that my son is

210

00:12:04,110 --> 00:12:06,240 trying to escape.

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00:12:06,240 --> 00:12:11,700 And that was the way how we tried to escape.

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00:12:11,700 --> 00:12:15,080 We saved, like I mentioned before, money.

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00:12:15,080 --> 00:12:19,490 We tried to get some clothes

because it was winter time.

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00:12:19,490 --> 00:12:21,340

How long did you stay in Treblinka?

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 $00:12:21,340 \longrightarrow 00:12:23,750$ 

I stayed almost three months in Treblinka.

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00:12:23,750 --> 00:12:25,280

And you escaped after three months?

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00:12:25,280 --> 00:12:27,440

After three months I escaped from there.

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00:12:27,440 --> 00:12:30,010

How did you do it?

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00:12:30,010 --> 00:12:31,880

Well, I did it--

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 $00:12:31,880 \longrightarrow 00:12:34,310$ 

we were a group of people.

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00:12:34,310 --> 00:12:36,920

The group divided in three parts.

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00:12:36,920 --> 00:12:38,780

We were a group of

about 10 people.

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00:12:38,780 --> 00:12:41,780

We divided in three parts.

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00:12:41,780 --> 00:12:44,150

Three of them, they're

supposed to go out,

00:12:44,150 --> 00:12:47,480 let's say, on Thursday, three of them on Sunday,

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00:12:47,480 --> 00:12:51,140 and three of them on the following Tuesday.

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00:12:51,140 --> 00:12:55,310 I was from the second group.

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00:12:55,310 --> 00:12:58,100 And I supposed to leave on a Saturday.

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00:12:58,100 --> 00:13:01,770 I suppose to escape on a Saturday.

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00:13:01,770 --> 00:13:04,400 And the escape was simple.

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00:13:04,400 --> 00:13:06,500 I can say about mine escaping.

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00:13:06,500 --> 00:13:08,990 My escaping was like that.

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00:13:08,990 --> 00:13:12,620 We supposed to hide ourself in clothes,

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00:13:12,620 --> 00:13:15,730 in big bunch of clothes in the barrack.

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00:13:15,730 --> 00:13:17,390 There was one barrack.

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00:13:17,390 --> 00:13:20,900 We put some clothes, which the clothes supposed

00:13:20,900 --> 00:13:24,370 to go to Germany by trains.

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00:13:24,370 --> 00:13:27,800 And we were hiding, three of us.

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00:13:27,800 --> 00:13:32,240 Myself, there was a cousin of mine by the name of Kaufman,

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00:13:32,240 --> 00:13:35,860 and there was a friend of mine by the name of Berkovitz.

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00:13:35,860 --> 00:13:38,960

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00:13:38,960 --> 00:13:44,820 After the Appell the work was over around 6 o'clock.

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00:13:44,820 --> 00:13:50,270 Before that, two hours before, we disappeared.

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00:13:50,270 --> 00:13:54,550 We hid in the clothes inside.

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00:13:54,550 --> 00:13:59,490 And we were laying down for about two hours

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00:13:59,490 --> 00:14:04,060 until the people, they finished their job working.

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00:14:04,060 --> 00:14:07,660 And this was a dangerous thing to do

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00:14:07,660 --> 00:14:13,330 because if a bundle of

clothes moved from the place.

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00:14:13,330 --> 00:14:15,040 Then we choked.

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00:14:15,040 --> 00:14:18,550 At this same place where we were hiding in the time

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00:14:18,550 --> 00:14:23,020 when I worked there, we took out over 30 people choked

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00:14:23,020 --> 00:14:25,770 because the people that tried to escape

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00:14:25,770 --> 00:14:29,000 but they couldn't, the bundle moved.

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00:14:29,000 --> 00:14:30,980 They had no air to breathe.

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00:14:30,980 --> 00:14:33,040 And they choked to death.

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00:14:33,040 --> 00:14:34,710 But it was a big heap of clothes?

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00:14:34,710 --> 00:14:36,370 It was a big-- yes.

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00:14:36,370 --> 00:14:40,090 It was a big place where the clothes went in.

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00:14:40,090 --> 00:14:42,430 And you went very deep inside.

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00:14:42,430 --> 00:14:45,370

Of course we were very deep inside,

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00:14:45,370 --> 00:14:48,670 because at night after the Appell,

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00:14:48,670 --> 00:14:55,485 the Ukrainian went with their [INAUDIBLE] in to cut through

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00:14:55,485 --> 00:14:59,440 or somebody is not hidden in the clothes.

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00:14:59,440 --> 00:15:02,240 And they were on top of us, too.

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00:15:02,240 --> 00:15:04,000 And we heard them.

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00:15:04,000 --> 00:15:08,500 After they left, the Appell was finished 6 o'clock.

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00:15:08,500 --> 00:15:16,760 At 8:30, of us went out to see to look how it this.

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00:15:16,760 --> 00:15:20,330 One went out by the name of Berkovich,

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00:15:20,330 --> 00:15:26,150 He went out at the place at the barrack, walked around.

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00:15:26,150 --> 00:15:28,360 Nobody was there.

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00:15:28,360 --> 00:15:31,890

He signaled us that we should come out.

00:15:31,890 --> 00:15:34,220

We went out.

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00:15:34,220 --> 00:15:39,500 And the only place to escape

from Treblinka, the most safest

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00:15:39,500 --> 00:15:42,200

place, was through the Lazaret.

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00:15:42,200 --> 00:15:51,200

Because otherwise, you had about

four or five different gates

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00:15:51,200 --> 00:15:57,590

to go around where it was

very dangerous because there

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00:15:57,590 --> 00:16:00,410

was barbed wires.

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00:16:00,410 --> 00:16:05,430

And to go to that through,

it was almost impossible.

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00:16:05.430 --> 00:16:09.110

Coming out from the barracks,

we didn't see anybody.

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00:16:09,110 --> 00:16:14,750

What we always saw is

a huge, very big place

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 $00:16:14,750 \longrightarrow 00:16:19,250$ 

of burning, burning

papers, burning clothes,

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00:16:19,250 --> 00:16:20,850

and burning people.

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00:16:20,850 --> 00:16:24,650

And through that place, we had to go through

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00:16:24,650 --> 00:16:33,030 to go to that fence, to that wire fence, which was only one

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00:16:33,030 --> 00:16:36,000 fence to go through.

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00:16:36,000 --> 00:16:37,600 You mean you went through the--

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00:16:37,600 --> 00:16:39,590 Through that fire, through.

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00:16:39,590 --> 00:16:40,370 Through the ditch?

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00:16:40,370 --> 00:16:41,635 Through the ditch, yes.

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00:16:41,635 --> 00:16:43,160 That's right.

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00:16:43,160 --> 00:16:48,830 We took some on the top of us, some clothes

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00:16:48,830 --> 00:16:51,230 that we shouldn't get burned on top of us.

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00:16:51,230 --> 00:16:52,770 And we just went through.

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00:16:52,770 --> 00:16:57,130 [INTERPOSING VOICES]

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00:16:57,130 --> 00:16:59,090

We went through.

00:16:59,090 --> 00:17:02,080 One of us in the second one and the third one.

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00:17:02,080 --> 00:17:08,349 when we come in to the fence, to that barbed fence,

00:17:08,349 --> 00:17:13,089 we put some clothes on top of it and we

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00:17:13,089 --> 00:17:17,230 went through that fence, one in top of the other.

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00:17:17,230 --> 00:17:21,369 It just happened Saturday night that the Ukrainian people

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00:17:21,369 --> 00:17:22,980 were all drunk.

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00:17:22,980 --> 00:17:25,869 But nobody was in the watchtower.

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00:17:25,869 --> 00:17:27,790 There was no one around.

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00:17:27,790 --> 00:17:32,140 When we came on the other side, we didn't see anyone.

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 $00:17:32,140 \longrightarrow 00:17:34,210$ We tried to run and run.

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 $00:17:34,210 \longrightarrow 00:17:35,860$ We run for hours.

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00:17:35,860 --> 00:17:38,050 There was an on winter time.

00:17:38,050 --> 00:17:39,340

We came out about--

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 $00:17:39,340 \longrightarrow 00:17:41,350$ 

took us about a half

hour from there.

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00:17:41,350 --> 00:17:42,820

It was cold?

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00:17:42,820 --> 00:17:43,330

Cold?

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 $00:17:43,330 \longrightarrow 00:17:44,650$ 

Ice cold, it was.

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00:17:44,650 --> 00:17:46,000

There was snow?

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00:17:46,000 --> 00:17:47,080

It wasn't snow.

315

 $00:17:47,080 \longrightarrow 00:17:49,810$ 

But it was very

cold at that time.

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00:17:49,810 --> 00:17:54,300

When we went outside, it

took us about a half hour

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00:17:54,300 --> 00:17:57,190

from the barrack till

the fences and through.

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00:17:57,190 --> 00:18:02,740

We were running from about

9 o'clock until about 5:30

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00:18:02,740 --> 00:18:04,570

in the morning.

00:18:04,570 --> 00:18:06,360 About 5:30 in the morning--

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00:18:06,360 --> 00:18:08,356 (film slating)

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00:18:08,356 --> 00:18:12,348

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00:18:12,348 --> 00:18:15,841 [SIDE CONVERSATION]

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00:18:15,841 --> 00:18:19,334

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00:18:19,334 --> 00:18:22,327 So many planes.

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00:18:22,327 --> 00:18:22,827

Yes.

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00:18:22,827 --> 00:18:27,817

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00:18:27,817 --> 00:18:29,314 [INAUDIBLE]

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00:18:29,314 --> 00:18:31,809

They coming.

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00:18:31,809 --> 00:18:32,807

[INAUDIBLE]

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00:18:32,807 --> 00:18:37,298

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00:18:37,298 --> 00:18:39,793 The light is [INAUDIBLE]

very quickly.

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00:18:42,310 --> 00:18:46,360 But tell me, how did the Germans didn't notice--

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00:18:46,360 --> 00:18:49,740 they didn't notice that three men were missing?

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00:18:49,740 --> 00:18:53,010 They couldn't ever notice.

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00:18:53,010 --> 00:18:57,640 They only notice if they knew the people.

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00:18:57,640 --> 00:18:59,370 But why didn't they know these?

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00:18:59,370 --> 00:19:04,620 Because every day they took out a number of people?

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00:19:04,620 --> 00:19:06,210 From the workers?

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00:19:06,210 --> 00:19:08,830 From the people they arrived, not from the workers.

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00:19:08,830 --> 00:19:12,990 But the people arrived from the transport.

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00:19:12,990 --> 00:19:14,320 And that's the way it was.

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00:19:14,320 --> 00:19:21,740 It's just like a magic circle that took it out.

00:19:21,740 --> 00:19:25,220 They worked for a day, two days or they

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00:19:25,220 --> 00:19:28,860 killed him or they took him to the Lazaret

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00:19:28,860 --> 00:19:32,320 to kill him or they send him into the gas chamber.

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00:19:32,320 --> 00:19:34,460 But from the workers, they're very seldom

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00:19:34,460 --> 00:19:35,650 sent into the gas chamber.

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00:19:35,650 --> 00:19:39,350 Most of them, they killed on the spot, on the place,

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00:19:39,350 --> 00:19:42,560 or they took him down to the Lazaret way over there

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00:19:42,560 --> 00:19:44,440 and they killed him.

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00:19:44,440 --> 00:19:49,580 So they couldn't know exactly how many they had.

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00:19:49,580 --> 00:19:54,310 They didn't had a list, so many and so many.

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00:19:54,310 --> 00:19:59,200 At the time that was, they adjust the people by the name.

00:19:59,200 --> 00:20:01,690 But everyone had a funny name.

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00:20:01,690 --> 00:20:03,220

My name over there wasn't Bomba.

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00:20:03,220 --> 00:20:06,580

I didn't give him the name of

Bomba because I had a mind.

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00:20:06,580 --> 00:20:11,410

Maybe I escaped and I don't

want to be known by that name.

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00:20:11,410 --> 00:20:13,400

So my name was a different name.

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 $00:20:13,400 \longrightarrow 00:20:17,460$ 

And everybody's name

was also different.

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00:20:17,460 --> 00:20:23,110

But they could never knew how

many people they had each day

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 $00:20:23,110 \longrightarrow 00:20:25,910$ 

and how many people

exactly they killed.

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00:20:25,910 --> 00:20:28,180

They couldn't.

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00:20:28,180 --> 00:20:30,520

They didn't notice them, though.

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 $00:20:30,520 \longrightarrow 00:20:33,110$ 

No, they couldn't notice.

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00:20:33,110 --> 00:20:33,940

OK.

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00:20:33,940 --> 00:20:34,850

369 00:20:34,850 --> 00:20:39,610 But when we came on the other side

370 00:20:39,610 --> 00:20:43,440 and we were running around from 9 o'clock

371 00:20:43,440 --> 00:20:46,710 at night until about, I would say,

372 00:20:46,710 --> 00:20:50,230 6 o'clock in the morning and we're

373 00:20:50,230 --> 00:20:54,960 making so many kilometers.

374 00:20:54,960 --> 00:20:58,460 And in the morning, we were almost at the same place

375 00:20:58,460 --> 00:21:00,880 where we started.

376 00:21:00,880 --> 00:21:04,820 And exactly in the camp, in the Ukrainian camp.

377 00:21:04,820 --> 00:21:06,170 Did you run in circle?

378 00:21:06,170 --> 00:21:08,270 We were running in circles because we

379 00:21:08,270 --> 00:21:10,530 didn't know where to go. 00:21:10,530 --> 00:21:12,890 And we thought where we are already

381 00:21:12,890 --> 00:21:16,850 at least 20 kilometers away from Treblinka,

382 00:21:16,850 --> 00:21:19,100 but we were at the place about--

383 00:21:19,100 --> 00:21:22,000 not even a kilometer away.

384 00:21:22,000 --> 00:21:27,340 And it was a little grayish, for the day was coming.

385 00:21:27,340 --> 00:21:28,765 It was daybreak.

386 00:21:28,765 --> 00:21:31,320

387 00:21:31,320 --> 00:21:33,570 Then we saw where we were.

388 00:21:33,570 --> 00:21:36,820 We heard the voices of the Ukrainian drunk,

389 00:21:36,820 --> 00:21:38,830 all kind of things.

390 00:21:38,830 --> 00:21:46,100 So we were running across until we came to the book.

391 00:21:46,100 --> 00:21:47,445 It took us by an hour.

392 00:21:47,445 --> 00:21:53,120 It was already daytime and we were laying down on the bushes

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00:21:53,120 --> 00:21:56,930 under trees at the book.

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00:21:56,930 --> 00:22:02,120

One of us-- so a little place where

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00:22:02,120 --> 00:22:09,370 people lived, not even a house, but a little, like, nothing.

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00:22:09,370 --> 00:22:12,310

So he went in and said, where are we?

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00:22:12,310 --> 00:22:13,870

He said, my God.

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00:22:13,870 --> 00:22:16,330

You are about 5

kilometer from Treblinka.

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00:22:16,330 --> 00:22:17,740

What are you doing here?

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00:22:17,740 --> 00:22:22,590

The Germans-- oh,

run, escape from here.

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 $00:22:22,590 \longrightarrow 00:22:23,960$ 

Well, where could we escape?

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00:22:23,960 --> 00:22:25,565

We had no place where to escape.

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00:22:25,565 --> 00:22:28,400

And we couldn't stay there.

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00:22:28,400 --> 00:22:32,870

In the meantime, we saw a man going with a van.

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00:22:32,870 --> 00:22:37,520

So I went over and I said, from where are you?

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00:22:37,520 --> 00:22:40,460

He said not far away,

from my little thing,

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00:22:40,460 --> 00:22:43,380

a little small village.

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00:22:43,380 --> 00:22:45,400

So we ask him, where we go--

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00:22:45,400 --> 00:22:48,400

[NON-ENGLISH].

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00:22:48,400 --> 00:22:49,200

No, no.

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 $00:22:49,200 \longrightarrow 00:22:52,400$ 

It wasn't-- there wasn't

[Place Name] There wasn't--

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00:22:52,400 --> 00:22:53,106

a little.

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00:22:53,106 --> 00:22:54,260

A little nothing.

414

00:22:54,260 --> 00:22:57,870

It was maybe five houses

was in the whole thing.

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 $00:22:57,870 \longrightarrow 00:23:00,900$ 

So we ask the men,

can we go with you?

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00:23:00,900 --> 00:23:02,980

We got a lot of money.

417 00:23:02,980 --> 00:23:06,720 Oh, he said, he's afraid this and that.

418 00:23:06,720 --> 00:23:09,360 Which language did you speak with him?

419 00:23:09,360 --> 00:23:11,150 We spoke with them a few minutes.

420 00:23:11,150 --> 00:23:13,870 No, but you spoke what?

421 00:23:13,870 --> 00:23:42,000