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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:12,870

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00:00:12,870 --> 00:00:14,850
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00:00:14,850 --> 00:00:51,570

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00:00:51,570 --> 00:00:52,930
Good afternoon.

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00:00:52,930 --> 00:00:55,830
My name is Bonnie Kind, and I'm
a member of the Kean College

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00:00:55,830 --> 00:00:59,430
Oral Testimonies Project of
the Holocaust Resource Center.

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00:00:59,430 --> 00:01:01,230
We're affiliated with
the Video Archive

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00:01:01,230 --> 00:01:03,750
for Holocaust
Testimonies at Yale.

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00:01:03,750 --> 00:01:06,990
Sharing the interview with
me is Dr. Bernard Weinstein,

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00:01:06,990 --> 00:01:09,960
Director of the Kean College
Oral Testimonies Project

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00:01:09,960 --> 00:01:12,510
and Professor of
English at Kean College.

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00:01:12,510 --> 00:01:16,260
We are privileged to greet Mr.
David Kempinski, a survivor

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00:01:16,260 --> 00:01:19,200
presently living in Union,
New Jersey, who has graciously

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00:01:19,200 --> 00:01:22,380
volunteered to give his
testimony about his experiences

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00:01:22,380 --> 00:01:24,800
during and after the Holocaust.

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00:01:24,800 --> 00:01:27,198
Mr. Kempinski,
perhaps we could begin

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00:01:27,198 --> 00:01:28,740
by asking you to
tell us a little bit

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00:01:28,740 --> 00:01:31,680
about your date of birth and the
country and town in which you

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00:01:31,680 --> 00:01:33,520
were born, what
things were like?

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00:01:33,520 --> 00:01:34,020
Yes.

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00:01:34,020 --> 00:01:41,230
I was born July the 27, 1921, in
the town Praszka Poland, near--

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00:01:41,230 --> 00:01:47,910
on the border line
Germany-Poland till September

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00:01:47,910 --> 00:01:52,620
the 1, 1939.

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00:01:52,620 --> 00:01:55,650
After I was five years
old, my parents moved.

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00:01:55,650 --> 00:01:59,850
They had their business about 12
miles west from Praszka excuse

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00:01:59,850 --> 00:02:03,570
me, east from Praszka
to the town of Wieluń.

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00:02:03,570 --> 00:02:06,570
There was there a county
town, a bigger town,

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00:02:06,570 --> 00:02:10,560
and my parents, my father,
had their business, a mill

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00:02:10,560 --> 00:02:13,410
[INAUDIBLE], and he build it up.

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00:02:13,410 --> 00:02:15,240
This started in 1927.

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00:02:15,240 --> 00:02:17,580
But I saw on the wall--

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00:02:17,580 --> 00:02:19,080
it's still existing.

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00:02:19,080 --> 00:02:23,230
I was there for a visit
just 18 months ago, in 1985,

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00:02:23,230 --> 00:02:24,890
it's still existing.

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00:02:24,890 --> 00:02:28,500
The monument on the wall, on
the left side from the factory,

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00:02:28,500 --> 00:02:37,425
in 1927 my father built. In
1929 and 28, we moved to Wieluń.

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00:02:37,425 --> 00:02:39,050

How old were you at
the time you moved?

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00:02:39,050 --> 00:02:41,800
They were the seven years old.

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00:02:41,800 --> 00:02:49,255
And there I started, and I was
there till September 1, 1939,

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00:02:49,255 --> 00:02:50,920
and the war started.

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00:02:50,920 --> 00:02:55,080
And approximately 4:30 PM--

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00:02:55,080 --> 00:03:01,260
excuse me, AM-- they all of a
sudden came, German aeroplanes,

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00:03:01,260 --> 00:03:04,920
and they leveled
off the town 95%.

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00:03:04,920 --> 00:03:07,780
Did you have brothers and
sisters growing up with you?

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00:03:07,780 --> 00:03:08,280
Yes.

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00:03:08,280 --> 00:03:10,363
Two brothers and my parents
was home at that time.

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00:03:10,363 --> 00:03:12,780
My brother came for vacation
from vacation from Palestine,

48
00:03:12,780 --> 00:03:13,410
at that time.

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00:03:13,410 --> 00:03:15,120
He was in Polytechnical.

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00:03:15,120 --> 00:03:19,800

And our neighbor next
door was the rabbi.

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00:03:19,800 --> 00:03:24,330

And I went into the neighbor,
to the Rabbi Yustman,

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00:03:24,330 --> 00:03:26,730

and I was hiding
there and they bombed.

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00:03:26,730 --> 00:03:29,010

And my parents and
the two brothers

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00:03:29,010 --> 00:03:32,550

went down the ground floors.

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00:03:32,550 --> 00:03:36,650

And I didn't saw him,
but when they bombed,

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00:03:36,650 --> 00:03:38,400

we were holding the
door with everything--

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00:03:38,400 --> 00:03:40,650

the house was shaking.

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00:03:40,650 --> 00:03:44,610

We saw our part where we
was living was leveled off.

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00:03:44,610 --> 00:03:45,360

We couldn't go up.

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00:03:45,360 --> 00:03:45,990

No stairs.

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00:03:45,990 --> 00:03:47,140

Nothing.

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00:03:47,140 --> 00:03:51,180

I was screaming this
to the Rabbi Yustman.

63
00:03:51,180 --> 00:03:53,290
And now we came out
and we went down

64
00:03:53,290 --> 00:03:58,150
with a pile of bricks
and everything.

65
00:03:58,150 --> 00:04:00,250
It was very dusty, you know.

66
00:04:00,250 --> 00:04:02,547
And people was
afraid there's gas.

67
00:04:02,547 --> 00:04:04,380
They were calling this
gas, but it was dust.

68
00:04:04,380 --> 00:04:05,640
It was not gas.

69
00:04:05,640 --> 00:04:07,930
And we had no clothes.

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00:04:07,930 --> 00:04:10,410
We were in the
pajamas, no shoes.

71
00:04:10,410 --> 00:04:12,960
We came-- jumped from the beds.

72
00:04:12,960 --> 00:04:15,450
And we started to go east.

73
00:04:15,450 --> 00:04:20,130
We left to the exit roads
from the town of Wieluń.

74
00:04:20,130 --> 00:04:23,670
And I was in the
school in Piotrkow,

75
00:04:23,670 --> 00:04:26,160
and I had some stuff,
some clothes there.

76
00:04:26,160 --> 00:04:31,960
And it is about 65 or 70
miles away from Wieluń,

77
00:04:31,960 --> 00:04:33,070
and I was walking.

78
00:04:33,070 --> 00:04:35,100
It was a Friday.

79
00:04:35,100 --> 00:04:40,350
About when we was walking,
there was bombed on the roads.

80
00:04:40,350 --> 00:04:43,890
We had the Polish army that put
mines on the bridges and this,

81
00:04:43,890 --> 00:04:46,980
we had, say, farmers with cows,
and the cows went on the mines,

82
00:04:46,980 --> 00:04:48,240
so there was explosions.

83
00:04:48,240 --> 00:04:49,870
People got killed.

84
00:04:49,870 --> 00:04:50,710
Cows got killed.

85
00:04:50,710 --> 00:04:51,910
Horses got killed.

86
00:04:51,910 --> 00:04:56,125
I was walking, walking day and
night till I come to a place--

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00:04:56,125 --> 00:04:57,160

I passed the river.

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00:04:57,160 --> 00:05:00,330

Warta is the second
biggest river in Poland

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00:05:00,330 --> 00:05:02,880

after the Vistula [INAUDIBLE].

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00:05:02,880 --> 00:05:07,415

And I come on Saturday
to the town of Piotrkow,

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00:05:07,415 --> 00:05:10,170

but that was also,
at the time, bombed.

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00:05:10,170 --> 00:05:13,560

I couldn't, then,
went into the town.

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00:05:13,560 --> 00:05:16,800

We passed the town
and we continued

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00:05:16,800 --> 00:05:19,620

to go the direction east.

95

00:05:19,620 --> 00:05:21,300

Was your family with
you at this time?

96

00:05:21,300 --> 00:05:21,360

No.

97

00:05:21,360 --> 00:05:22,090

I was lost.

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00:05:22,090 --> 00:05:22,950

I was myself.

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00:05:22,950 --> 00:05:23,970

You were all alone?

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00:05:23,970 --> 00:05:24,750
I was all alone.

101
00:05:24,750 --> 00:05:26,050
No.

102
00:05:26,050 --> 00:05:32,730
We was-- we came, and the town
Sulejow was a big woods there.

103
00:05:32,730 --> 00:05:37,110
It was Sunday already,
we started to resting.

104
00:05:37,110 --> 00:05:40,340
And we met a few
people from our town,

105
00:05:40,340 --> 00:05:42,000
sometimes with their families.

106
00:05:42,000 --> 00:05:44,820
On the afternoon on Sunday--

107
00:05:44,820 --> 00:05:47,150
this was the 3rd of September--

108
00:05:47,150 --> 00:05:49,115
there was heavy bombing there.

109
00:05:49,115 --> 00:05:52,620
And we saw soldiers,
civilian on the roads.

110
00:05:52,620 --> 00:05:53,570
So many killed.

111
00:05:53,570 --> 00:05:58,260
We started to leave the
woods, we went direction east

112
00:05:58,260 --> 00:06:03,000
to direction of Opoczno,
a town, and Radom.

113

00:06:03,000 --> 00:06:06,960

And we came to Radom.

114

00:06:06,960 --> 00:06:11,100

This was bombed, but still
the people was living.

115

00:06:11,100 --> 00:06:15,660

And we continued to
go east, we walk.

116

00:06:15,660 --> 00:06:19,740

And then we was in
a barn at nighttime,

117

00:06:19,740 --> 00:06:23,238

and all of a sudden we
so Germans on the road.

118

00:06:23,238 --> 00:06:24,530

We said, where are the Germans?

119

00:06:24,530 --> 00:06:26,270

We started to go back.

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00:06:26,270 --> 00:06:30,910

We went back to
the town of Radom

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00:06:30,910 --> 00:06:34,870

and there was the
holiday Rosh Hashanah.

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00:06:34,870 --> 00:06:39,335

I went into like a synagogue
[INAUDIBLE],, but the midrash,

123

00:06:39,335 --> 00:06:40,870

besmedresh.

124

00:06:40,870 --> 00:06:43,330

And we were sleeping there.

125

00:06:43,330 --> 00:06:45,520

Over the Germans
come and took it out,

126
00:06:45,520 --> 00:06:50,380
we had to do work like take the
weapons from the Polish army

127
00:06:50,380 --> 00:06:51,340
to bring in the place.

128
00:06:51,340 --> 00:06:56,810
And they were beating, and one
time she come with no food.

129
00:06:56,810 --> 00:07:00,730
And it was waiting 'till
the holidays got over

130
00:07:00,730 --> 00:07:02,650
and we started to go back.

131
00:07:02,650 --> 00:07:04,990
I wasn't found
approximately, I would say

132
00:07:04,990 --> 00:07:07,990
about 250 miles from my town.

133
00:07:07,990 --> 00:07:11,380
Let me ask you, Mr. Kempinski,
did you expect that any of this

134
00:07:11,380 --> 00:07:12,213
was going to happen?

135
00:07:12,213 --> 00:07:12,713
No.

136
00:07:12,713 --> 00:07:13,780
Was there any warning?

137
00:07:13,780 --> 00:07:15,010
Was there, did it just--

138

00:07:15,010 --> 00:07:16,620
No.

139
00:07:16,620 --> 00:07:17,950
No, no, no.

140
00:07:17,950 --> 00:07:20,800
Good we expect that the
Germans are bad [INAUDIBLE]

141
00:07:20,800 --> 00:07:24,200
from November the 9th
or the Kristallnacht.

142
00:07:24,200 --> 00:07:28,220
Well we was in the
school, and the director,

143
00:07:28,220 --> 00:07:33,370
[Personal Name]
came to us and said,

144
00:07:33,370 --> 00:07:38,140
the Jews came to [PLACE NAME],,
and we have everything

145
00:07:38,140 --> 00:07:43,350
what's possible to donate it
or the morning the pennies.

146
00:07:43,350 --> 00:07:47,140
Or that we have our underwear,
or everything to give it.

147
00:07:47,140 --> 00:07:49,550
We sent this to [PLACE NAME].

148
00:07:49,550 --> 00:07:52,960
But we cannot visualize.

149
00:07:52,960 --> 00:07:57,520
But when I come on vacation
and this was Hanukkah there

150
00:07:57,520 --> 00:08:03,460

at Christmas, and my mother
told me that all the meetings

151
00:08:03,460 --> 00:08:05,200
in the town of Wieluń.

152
00:08:05,200 --> 00:08:09,790
And one lady, a wife from
the doctor, Dr. Schreiber.

153
00:08:09,790 --> 00:08:14,180
She ask to the ladies,
who will be helping us?

154
00:08:14,180 --> 00:08:18,060
And I remember my
mother told me this.

155
00:08:18,060 --> 00:08:20,550
I think no, I didn't expect it.

156
00:08:20,550 --> 00:08:21,850
I couldn't expect it.

157
00:08:21,850 --> 00:08:24,740
And I started to walk back.

158
00:08:24,740 --> 00:08:27,230
'Till I come exactly a
day before Yom Kippur.

159
00:08:27,230 --> 00:08:28,530
Yom Kippur was on Saturday.

160
00:08:28,530 --> 00:08:31,048
And I cam on Yom Kippur Friday.

161
00:08:31,048 --> 00:08:32,090
I don't remember the day.

162
00:08:32,090 --> 00:08:34,820
I know to remember that
Yom Kippur was Saturday.

163

00:08:34,820 --> 00:08:37,640

And I had a friend also
from the school in the town,

164

00:08:37,640 --> 00:08:40,750

Bełchatow On the
maps, I can show you.

165

00:08:40,750 --> 00:08:41,735

It's near Piotrkow.

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00:08:41,735 --> 00:08:48,110

I passed Piotrkow back and
Bełchatow And we was there,

167

00:08:48,110 --> 00:08:51,500

I was sleeping then
waiting after Yom Kippur.

168

00:08:51,500 --> 00:08:53,550

I go back to Wieluń.

169

00:08:53,550 --> 00:08:57,170

And it had all just
going about 45 miles.

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00:08:57,170 --> 00:09:01,320

And Yom Kippur on the morning,
we went to the attic to prayer.

171

00:09:01,320 --> 00:09:05,450

It was there about seven
people that had not dominion.

172

00:09:05,450 --> 00:09:07,700

And all of a sudden came
a German with his bayonet

173

00:09:07,700 --> 00:09:09,370

in the hands and he find us.

174

00:09:09,370 --> 00:09:14,240

And we have to come out to the
square they had marked for us.

175

00:09:14,240 --> 00:09:17,456

And I saw all the Jews
they bring from all over,

176

00:09:17,456 --> 00:09:19,730

and this was Yom Kippur.

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00:09:19,730 --> 00:09:24,710

We have to go a town I was
the first time the town I was

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00:09:24,710 --> 00:09:27,770

passing with a pass to go from
Wieluń before the war when I

179

00:09:27,770 --> 00:09:29,600

was school when I vacation, no?

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00:09:29,600 --> 00:09:32,570

I don't know what the
town was, only the people.

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00:09:32,570 --> 00:09:38,050

They took us to every place
where the Jews was praying

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00:09:38,050 --> 00:09:42,360

or that synagogue, and took
me with another few people

183

00:09:42,360 --> 00:09:45,440

to a place to like a shtiebel.

184

00:09:45,440 --> 00:09:49,640

We have to take it out
all the shebichtav Torah.

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00:09:49,640 --> 00:09:51,410

We have opened the
shebichtav Torah.

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00:09:51,410 --> 00:09:57,890

We have the books, they put it
as some as Bibles and Kimoras

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00:09:57,890 --> 00:09:59,028
and all kinds of books.

188
00:09:59,028 --> 00:09:59,570
And we have--

189
00:09:59,570 --> 00:10:00,490
All the sacred books?

190
00:10:00,490 --> 00:10:03,120
[INAUDIBLE] we have that,
you have to walk only

191
00:10:03,120 --> 00:10:04,120
on the shebichtav Torah.

192
00:10:04,120 --> 00:10:06,310
There was a roll up with
other people rolls up.

193
00:10:06,310 --> 00:10:08,185
And we have to bring
this to the market platz

194
00:10:08,185 --> 00:10:11,170
the square market platz we
have to put in one place.

195
00:10:11,170 --> 00:10:12,810
Again and again,
and again and again,

196
00:10:12,810 --> 00:10:17,690
was hundreds, maybe thousands
of from the books in one place.

197
00:10:17,690 --> 00:10:20,150
And after we was
finished, we have

198
00:10:20,150 --> 00:10:22,820
to roll it up again,
the shebichtav Torah

199
00:10:22,820 --> 00:10:24,830

and put this on the pile.

200

00:10:24,830 --> 00:10:30,560
And they took Jewish man with a
beard, I don't know who he was.

201

00:10:30,560 --> 00:10:32,300
I was not from the town.

202

00:10:32,300 --> 00:10:34,560
The beard, with the
tallis and tfillin

203

00:10:34,560 --> 00:10:36,650
and put him on the
middle of the pile

204

00:10:36,650 --> 00:10:39,230
and they put fire on the fire.

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00:10:39,230 --> 00:10:44,540
Everything was, and it was
around soldiers, around.

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00:10:44,540 --> 00:10:46,600
It was not SS.

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00:10:46,600 --> 00:10:51,350
It was an yellow arbeitsfront
with the yellow armbands.

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00:10:51,350 --> 00:10:52,100
And there--

209

00:10:52,100 --> 00:10:53,940
Were these German
or Polish soldiers?

210

00:10:53,940 --> 00:10:54,530
No, no, no.

211

00:10:54,530 --> 00:10:55,030
Germans.

212

00:10:55,030 --> 00:10:55,697
German soldiers.

213
00:10:55,697 --> 00:10:57,830
I saw them later in other
town the same people

214
00:10:57,830 --> 00:11:00,110
I recognize him, the German.

215
00:11:00,110 --> 00:11:02,660
And there with bayonets
and with [INAUDIBLE],,

216
00:11:02,660 --> 00:11:06,340
they put us to the fire,
near, near, and near all day

217
00:11:06,340 --> 00:11:07,850
Yom Kippur.

218
00:11:07,850 --> 00:11:10,430
And I hear a sound,
there was screaming,

219
00:11:10,430 --> 00:11:13,150
today's the
Roosevelt's birthday,

220
00:11:13,150 --> 00:11:15,560
Roosevelt's geburstog.

221
00:11:15,560 --> 00:11:19,105
And all day after
in the evening I

222
00:11:19,105 --> 00:11:21,230
don't remember what has
happened with the Jew over,

223
00:11:21,230 --> 00:11:24,140
they bring down, how
I can't remember.

224
00:11:24,140 --> 00:11:25,400

I didn't know it then.

225

00:11:25,400 --> 00:11:28,250

I was some religious Jew
and they put them on the top

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00:11:28,250 --> 00:11:31,080

with the fire.

227

00:11:31,080 --> 00:11:34,160

They let us go, and I went back.

228

00:11:34,160 --> 00:11:36,430

You were about 16 years old?

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00:11:36,430 --> 00:11:37,490

17 years old.

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00:11:37,490 --> 00:11:38,180

Yes.

231

00:11:38,180 --> 00:11:41,350

And I went back.

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00:11:41,350 --> 00:11:45,350

And the next day, in
the morning I came up

233

00:11:45,350 --> 00:11:48,570

and I want to go home.

234

00:11:48,570 --> 00:11:50,640

And I come in the market.

235

00:11:50,640 --> 00:11:55,160

I saw a autobus was belong
to Wieluń to our town.

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00:11:55,160 --> 00:11:57,630

Or there was took
from the German.

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00:11:57,630 --> 00:11:59,430

Well, the driver was a Polish.

238

00:11:59,430 --> 00:12:01,808

And I said, listen,
take me home.

239

00:12:01,808 --> 00:12:02,600

I want from Wieluń.

240

00:12:02,600 --> 00:12:03,840

Can you pay me?

241

00:12:03,840 --> 00:12:04,500

I don't have.

242

00:12:04,500 --> 00:12:05,460

He want two zloties.

243

00:12:05,460 --> 00:12:07,140

I don't have money.

244

00:12:07,140 --> 00:12:10,630

I am convince him from the mill.

245

00:12:10,630 --> 00:12:12,160

Oh, I know from the mill.

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00:12:12,160 --> 00:12:12,930

OK, you come home.

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00:12:12,930 --> 00:12:14,040

You pay me.

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00:12:14,040 --> 00:12:17,760

I say, OK, my father pay you.

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00:12:17,760 --> 00:12:22,230

And this was autobus,
a red autobus,

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00:12:22,230 --> 00:12:24,130

what the name from
the company was

251

00:12:24,130 --> 00:12:30,390
SAN, S-A-N. And was two SS
men and their black uniforms

252
00:12:30,390 --> 00:12:32,970
with the red arm under
the black swastika.

253
00:12:32,970 --> 00:12:36,150
And I was sitting, I was looking
not in direction from there,

254
00:12:36,150 --> 00:12:38,340
but I hear the
conversation from that.

255
00:12:38,340 --> 00:12:40,140
How they do to the Jews?

256
00:12:40,140 --> 00:12:43,560
In all kind of cities when
they come in to Poland.

257
00:12:43,560 --> 00:12:45,270
And were laughing
and this and that.

258
00:12:45,270 --> 00:12:50,260
I turned around, and listen, I
was very dirty from the fire.

259
00:12:50,260 --> 00:12:52,970
And I come from Wieluń.

260
00:12:52,970 --> 00:12:57,180
Took me about maybe two hours
to come with the bus to Wieluń.

261
00:12:57,180 --> 00:13:02,250
And I come in and my father,
the house I know I was bombed.

262
00:13:02,250 --> 00:13:04,950
I went into the mill to
the factory that they are.

263

00:13:04,950 --> 00:13:07,977

So my father they came in and
father didn't recognize me.

264

00:13:07,977 --> 00:13:14,180

265

00:13:14,180 --> 00:13:15,244

I [CRIES].

266

00:13:15,244 --> 00:13:23,790

267

00:13:23,790 --> 00:13:28,570

There was two SS men, there
was the Treuhänder they call,

268

00:13:28,570 --> 00:13:30,900

they took care for the--

269

00:13:30,900 --> 00:13:31,860

They took his business?

270

00:13:31,860 --> 00:13:33,000

His business, yeah.

271

00:13:33,000 --> 00:13:36,920

One was from Sudetenland
he had I say the small mill

272

00:13:36,920 --> 00:13:39,940

in Sudetenland in
Czechoslovakia,

273

00:13:39,940 --> 00:13:41,960

not Czechoslovakia
in Sudetenland.

274

00:13:41,960 --> 00:13:43,050

And one was Luszczow.

275

00:13:43,050 --> 00:13:45,850

276

00:13:45,850 --> 00:13:53,580

And they wanted my father
be working for their need

277

00:13:53,580 --> 00:13:54,990

some information.

278

00:13:54,990 --> 00:13:57,820

My father was
working the office,

279

00:13:57,820 --> 00:14:03,320

and some workers from the mill
was mobilized the Polish army.

280

00:14:03,320 --> 00:14:08,630

And there was, we had about
maybe six, seven workers.

281

00:14:08,630 --> 00:14:11,680

Well, there was after
Volksdeutsche-- one

282

00:14:11,680 --> 00:14:15,280

day there was a release
from the prisoners of war

283

00:14:15,280 --> 00:14:16,680

and they came home.

284

00:14:16,680 --> 00:14:21,150

We had one and name Moscow.

285

00:14:21,150 --> 00:14:26,040

He was one professional
miller And we all machines--

286

00:14:26,040 --> 00:14:29,160

we had general
machines from miag,

287

00:14:29,160 --> 00:14:36,690

M-I-A-G from Raszyn imported
to Poland in 1926 or seven when

288

00:14:36,690 --> 00:14:39,550
my father built those.

289

00:14:39,550 --> 00:14:42,120
He even spoke with
my father, German.

290

00:14:42,120 --> 00:14:45,650
And when he was
released, he came back

291

00:14:45,650 --> 00:14:48,410
in the short time he
saw with the swastika.

292

00:14:48,410 --> 00:14:50,160
And I look him on,
I couldn't believe

293

00:14:50,160 --> 00:14:53,790
he was just an MP in the
Polish army, a Sergeant,

294

00:14:53,790 --> 00:14:55,080
and now he has swastika.

295

00:14:55,080 --> 00:14:56,400
I didn't say what I looking.

296

00:14:56,400 --> 00:14:57,567
He say, what you're looking?

297

00:14:57,567 --> 00:14:59,550
So what you are wondering so?

298

00:14:59,550 --> 00:15:02,270
I was still there,
was the beginning

299

00:15:02,270 --> 00:15:06,038
and they was nice to my
father, more or less.

300

00:15:06,038 --> 00:15:08,580

I don't know what to make of it
to say hello to him at least,

301
00:15:08,580 --> 00:15:09,800
no?

302
00:15:09,800 --> 00:15:16,960
Sacred, and after
10 or 11 months,

303
00:15:16,960 --> 00:15:20,080
we was living in the office.

304
00:15:20,080 --> 00:15:22,060
We took two room for
the officer we was

305
00:15:22,060 --> 00:15:23,650
living with them at the house.

306
00:15:23,650 --> 00:15:25,360
You couldn't go
to the main office

307
00:15:25,360 --> 00:15:27,190
through was the
main entrance, we

308
00:15:27,190 --> 00:15:29,045
had to use in the
back yard the window.

309
00:15:29,045 --> 00:15:32,573
We jump and we make like
a stump, a 2 by 4 stump.

310
00:15:32,573 --> 00:15:34,740
And we walk into the window
and out from the window.

311
00:15:34,740 --> 00:15:36,610
Is that your father, and
your mother, and you?

312
00:15:36,610 --> 00:15:38,155

My parents, yes,
and my two brothers.

313
00:15:38,155 --> 00:15:42,080

314
00:15:42,080 --> 00:15:45,860
And after, that was how
they was living good friends

315
00:15:45,860 --> 00:15:48,230
took us and give us a room.

316
00:15:48,230 --> 00:15:50,670
We put a small
kitchen, it was living.

317
00:15:50,670 --> 00:15:52,587
So they let you stay
there for 9 or 10 months?

318
00:15:52,587 --> 00:15:53,087
Yes.

319
00:15:53,087 --> 00:15:53,710
But then--

320
00:15:53,710 --> 00:15:54,910
Oh, yes, yes.

321
00:15:54,910 --> 00:15:55,532
After came--

322
00:15:55,532 --> 00:15:56,240
--Forced you out?

323
00:15:56,240 --> 00:15:56,780
--Yes.

324
00:15:56,780 --> 00:15:57,500
But they changed.

325
00:15:57,500 --> 00:16:02,660
The two SS, I would say about

the January or December 1939,

326

00:16:02,660 --> 00:16:08,030
they were gone and they send
us a Treuhänder from Breslau

327

00:16:08,030 --> 00:16:09,540
today, Vratislav.

328

00:16:09,540 --> 00:16:12,090
Fritz [? Kinor ?] was his name.

329

00:16:12,090 --> 00:16:17,150
Yes, I mean he was, I
would say not a killer.

330

00:16:17,150 --> 00:16:22,220
Say sometimes had a solid
conversation with my father.

331

00:16:22,220 --> 00:16:25,210
And I would hear on the
telephone was in next room

332

00:16:25,210 --> 00:16:29,070
when was a bad weather, and
he was calling to Breslau

333

00:16:29,070 --> 00:16:29,860
to Vratislav.

334

00:16:29,860 --> 00:16:32,470
Always say to his wife, we
have a Churchill weather,

335

00:16:32,470 --> 00:16:33,980
he said bad weather.

336

00:16:33,980 --> 00:16:36,160
He said the bad weather
is a Churchill weather.

337

00:16:36,160 --> 00:16:38,780
Because I remember it,
when my father told us,

338
00:16:38,780 --> 00:16:40,320
he said Churchill weather.

339
00:16:40,320 --> 00:16:42,480
It's bad weather.

340
00:16:42,480 --> 00:16:46,820
And I was in Wieluń.

341
00:16:46,820 --> 00:16:49,670
During the time, they took
us to work to clean it

342
00:16:49,670 --> 00:16:52,580
up the demolished houses.

343
00:16:52,580 --> 00:16:55,080
And we were joking, I hope
they send us to Berlin,

344
00:16:55,080 --> 00:16:57,190
we do the job for them.

345
00:16:57,190 --> 00:16:59,750
But that time didn't bomb
Berlin, it's too late.

346
00:16:59,750 --> 00:17:01,580
They come.

347
00:17:01,580 --> 00:17:06,125
We was hoping and dreaming as
the war be a very short one.

348
00:17:06,125 --> 00:17:11,540
And my father know it that's
the war, the German, first war,

349
00:17:11,540 --> 00:17:13,170
that one not so bad.

350
00:17:13,170 --> 00:17:14,579
Maybe they can us to war.

351
00:17:14,579 --> 00:17:17,140
They cannot expect
it that's what we--

352
00:17:17,140 --> 00:17:19,030
That was just hard to believe?

353
00:17:19,030 --> 00:17:20,990
--What's happened.

354
00:17:20,990 --> 00:17:25,880
And my older brother, he
get them a tutor, a student.

355
00:17:25,880 --> 00:17:30,890
Then he got a work in the
library in the main school.

356
00:17:30,890 --> 00:17:33,530
There was about three
libraries with I know of.

357
00:17:33,530 --> 00:17:36,380
Polish and from the
gymnasium, and they brought us

358
00:17:36,380 --> 00:17:38,870
everything in one place.

359
00:17:38,870 --> 00:17:43,430
We couldn't go out from
the houses in the evenings,

360
00:17:43,430 --> 00:17:44,000
not Sunday.

361
00:17:44,000 --> 00:17:47,495

362
00:17:47,495 --> 00:17:50,210
I would say, I
was stealing books

363

00:17:50,210 --> 00:17:52,340
and my brother gave me the
books to bring the books

364
00:17:52,340 --> 00:17:54,070
home that we can read.

365
00:17:54,070 --> 00:17:56,640
I was a lot of
reading that time.

366
00:17:56,640 --> 00:18:01,080
And everybody, but
the night was so long.

367
00:18:01,080 --> 00:18:07,160
And at one time he gave me
three books, and I brought them.

368
00:18:07,160 --> 00:18:09,750
And I had this in
my jacket over,

369
00:18:09,750 --> 00:18:12,650
and I have their books
here under my arm.

370
00:18:12,650 --> 00:18:17,600
But all of a sudden,
came a Gestapo man.

371
00:18:17,600 --> 00:18:20,510
And he had a bike
with a flat tire.

372
00:18:20,510 --> 00:18:24,170
He told me, Juden, come help.

373
00:18:24,170 --> 00:18:25,510
We had stars on the front.

374
00:18:25,510 --> 00:18:27,290
We had stars on the
back, yellow stars.

375

00:18:27,290 --> 00:18:28,550
So they could identify you?

376
00:18:28,550 --> 00:18:28,810
Yeah.

377
00:18:28,810 --> 00:18:29,518
We couldn't work.

378
00:18:29,518 --> 00:18:31,785
It was forbid, to
walking on the sidewalk,

379
00:18:31,785 --> 00:18:33,980
we had to walk next to the curb.

380
00:18:33,980 --> 00:18:35,480
And we was walking
next to the curb,

381
00:18:35,480 --> 00:18:38,480
there comes with the car
or the motorcycle and that.

382
00:18:38,480 --> 00:18:42,308
We have to take it off and
bend the heads for them.

383
00:18:42,308 --> 00:18:44,350
For each German, we were
civilians or we are not.

384
00:18:44,350 --> 00:18:50,750
We don't do this, we by mistake
don't saw him, they beat us up.

385
00:18:50,750 --> 00:18:55,010
And I have to take them
back, the books for me out.

386
00:18:55,010 --> 00:18:57,800
He took me to the Gestapo house.

387
00:18:57,800 --> 00:18:59,960
I was there now with my

two sons and I show him,

388

00:18:59,960 --> 00:19:04,540

I make a picture
here, stop my arrest.

389

00:19:04,540 --> 00:19:07,940

I came in the office and
I said, he talked to me.

390

00:19:07,940 --> 00:19:09,113

I don't understand German.

391

00:19:09,113 --> 00:19:09,655

I understand.

392

00:19:09,655 --> 00:19:11,840

Why you say I don't understand?

393

00:19:11,840 --> 00:19:13,215

OK, he said, turn around.

394

00:19:13,215 --> 00:19:17,550

He told this to his secretary,
bring them Dolmetscher.

395

00:19:17,550 --> 00:19:18,217

How to say that?

396

00:19:18,217 --> 00:19:19,050

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

397

00:19:19,050 --> 00:19:19,660

Translate.

398

00:19:19,660 --> 00:19:20,160

Interpreter.

399

00:19:20,160 --> 00:19:21,800

Interpreter.

400

00:19:21,800 --> 00:19:22,460

She brought.

401

00:19:22,460 --> 00:19:23,585
She knows what [INAUDIBLE].

402

00:19:23,585 --> 00:19:28,730
She brought the big [? weight ?]
they hit me in a cut here.

403

00:19:28,730 --> 00:19:30,900
And I was so lucky.

404

00:19:30,900 --> 00:19:32,900
Tell you, tomorrow you know it.

405

00:19:32,900 --> 00:19:36,290
The Jews have to come in
the school on the back yard

406

00:19:36,290 --> 00:19:37,610
there, all Jew.

407

00:19:37,610 --> 00:19:38,450
You stay home.

408

00:19:38,450 --> 00:19:39,440
You don't go.

409

00:19:39,440 --> 00:19:42,000
I come and pick you up.

410

00:19:42,000 --> 00:19:46,250
And he told me, I went there,
and they took the Jews.

411

00:19:46,250 --> 00:19:51,500
This was August 19 on Tuesday.

412

00:19:51,500 --> 00:19:54,830
And 1941.

413

00:19:54,830 --> 00:20:00,800
And the entrance to the school
was a gate with a tunnel,

414

00:20:00,800 --> 00:20:05,050
and there was from both sides
all kinds, SI, SS, high up,

415
00:20:05,050 --> 00:20:08,420
at the aim what kind police.

416
00:20:08,420 --> 00:20:11,300
And every Jew came in,
they beat with weight.

417
00:20:11,300 --> 00:20:12,440
We get, came in--

418
00:20:12,440 --> 00:20:13,595
Was this in Aktion?

419
00:20:13,595 --> 00:20:14,930
Was this--

420
00:20:14,930 --> 00:20:17,290
This was our public school.

421
00:20:17,290 --> 00:20:20,230
--Yeah, but was this
a rounding up of--

422
00:20:20,230 --> 00:20:21,250
A rounding up, yes.

423
00:20:21,250 --> 00:20:21,950
Yes.

424
00:20:21,950 --> 00:20:22,890
And they pick it up.

425
00:20:22,890 --> 00:20:24,182
I don't know how many hundreds.

426
00:20:24,182 --> 00:20:28,580
They took us from there to the
other school about two miles

427
00:20:28,580 --> 00:20:32,450

from Wieluń and they give us
shots and they make a selection

428
00:20:32,450 --> 00:20:33,700
there too.

429
00:20:33,700 --> 00:20:39,390
And there was also
a Jewish community,

430
00:20:39,390 --> 00:20:42,560
and they know me one from
they said, Kempinski, come.

431
00:20:42,560 --> 00:20:43,470
I release you.

432
00:20:43,470 --> 00:20:44,300
I say, no.

433
00:20:44,300 --> 00:20:46,740
My younger brother is here.

434
00:20:46,740 --> 00:20:50,420
Release him, I have to go, but
the Gestapo looking for me.

435
00:20:50,420 --> 00:20:53,120
I took him, put them under
the window and I push him out

436
00:20:53,120 --> 00:20:54,890
and he got released.

437
00:20:54,890 --> 00:20:58,130
But they don't need so
many people like we was.

438
00:20:58,130 --> 00:20:59,790
I don't know how many hundreds.

439
00:20:59,790 --> 00:21:05,000
Were maybe about 300 or
over 280 they sent away.

440

00:21:05,000 --> 00:21:07,230

And from there,
we had to walking,

441

00:21:07,230 --> 00:21:09,200

running to the train station.

442

00:21:09,200 --> 00:21:10,830

And they put us
in train station.

443

00:21:10,830 --> 00:21:14,400

This was the last time I was
in Wieluń This was August 19,

444

00:21:14,400 --> 00:21:15,740

1941.

445

00:21:15,740 --> 00:21:20,300

And they brought us to
Poznań after five hours.

446

00:21:20,300 --> 00:21:23,250

I was sitting on the
floor on the train.

447

00:21:23,250 --> 00:21:27,660

And that's what full of,
call was wagons for person.

448

00:21:27,660 --> 00:21:29,150

There was too many
people, we had

449

00:21:29,150 --> 00:21:32,690

not on the, not with civilian,
with a special train.

450

00:21:32,690 --> 00:21:34,910

What were the
conditions on the train?

451

00:21:34,910 --> 00:21:36,930

On the train, they
gave us not food.

452
00:21:36,930 --> 00:21:45,020
But not special, we didn't go,
we went to Poznań and we come

453
00:21:45,020 --> 00:21:46,040
in the night.

454
00:21:46,040 --> 00:21:48,710
And they brought us
with trucks in a camp.

455
00:21:48,710 --> 00:21:53,000
This was the name was Łubowo
In German, they call it Lubów,

456
00:21:53,000 --> 00:21:53,930
near Poznań.

457
00:21:53,930 --> 00:21:57,770
There was like in a radius
from Poznań 10 kilometers.

458
00:21:57,770 --> 00:22:02,960
There was a camp in Poznań
for Regensburg was a big camp,

459
00:22:02,960 --> 00:22:03,770
I remember.

460
00:22:03,770 --> 00:22:06,530
And they had the all the
radius from 10 kilometers

461
00:22:06,530 --> 00:22:07,820
approximately.

462
00:22:07,820 --> 00:22:11,000
There were the
camps most from RAB.

463
00:22:11,000 --> 00:22:12,890
It's that Reichsautobahn
in German.

464

00:22:12,890 --> 00:22:15,950

This is the Autobahn what we
have in all Germany going on.

465

00:22:15,950 --> 00:22:20,625

We was on the [INAUDIBLE] on
the [NON-ENGLISH] Frankfurt Oder

466

00:22:20,625 --> 00:22:22,220

and Poznań.

467

00:22:22,220 --> 00:22:25,660

And we hear from there meisters
there was most from Kozlow.

468

00:22:25,660 --> 00:22:27,350

Oswaldo was his
name, he say yeah,

469

00:22:27,350 --> 00:22:35,320

we build this to Vitebsk, Moscow
and anyway, this was in 1941.

470

00:22:35,320 --> 00:22:38,210

Conditions in camp, they
sent us from one camp,

471

00:22:38,210 --> 00:22:40,790

and after we was there
about three weeks,

472

00:22:40,790 --> 00:22:42,620

and sent us Poggenburg.

473

00:22:42,620 --> 00:22:45,650

Probably another four weeks
and they send us to Kreising.

474

00:22:45,650 --> 00:22:47,540

And there, it was very bad.

475

00:22:47,540 --> 00:22:52,520

They started to people
dying through hunger.

476

00:22:52,520 --> 00:22:57,620

And I don't know calorie what to
tell you, but we were very low.

477

00:22:57,620 --> 00:23:00,740

We couldn't work.

478

00:23:00,740 --> 00:23:04,760

We had to work there
in swamps in the water.

479

00:23:04,760 --> 00:23:07,320

And we were jealous
when somebody died.

480

00:23:07,320 --> 00:23:08,970

We was really jealous.

481

00:23:08,970 --> 00:23:10,880

What kind of work
did you have to do?

482

00:23:10,880 --> 00:23:12,980

With a shovel, take
out the top soil,

483

00:23:12,980 --> 00:23:16,310

we clean the top tile soil,
then we put this on the wagons.

484

00:23:16,310 --> 00:23:19,140

We piled it up.

485

00:23:19,140 --> 00:23:20,120

This was the work.

486

00:23:20,120 --> 00:23:23,180

And other work was
also, they make

487

00:23:23,180 --> 00:23:27,160

like they put the thing
concrete or prepare for bridges,

488

00:23:27,160 --> 00:23:29,330
so the sound of mine work.

489
00:23:29,330 --> 00:23:32,830
We was digging this top soil,
we put this on the wagons.

490
00:23:32,830 --> 00:23:38,050
And the wagons was moved,
and the turn the rolls,

491
00:23:38,050 --> 00:23:40,960
and it was piled
up at the dumpsite.

492
00:23:40,960 --> 00:23:42,800
At this point, you
were by yourself?

493
00:23:42,800 --> 00:23:45,340
You had no member of
your family with you?

494
00:23:45,340 --> 00:23:46,040
No, no, no.

495
00:23:46,040 --> 00:23:50,100
But we get from time to
time, we can get a card from,

496
00:23:50,100 --> 00:23:55,220
and my mother wrote me that this
guy, the general that borrowed

497
00:23:55,220 --> 00:23:58,140
the books, he visit us.

498
00:23:58,140 --> 00:24:00,280
He's visiting us.

499
00:24:00,280 --> 00:24:02,720
The Gestapo, he's
looking for me.

500
00:24:02,720 --> 00:24:03,390

And I was lucky.

501
00:24:03,390 --> 00:24:06,550
Were not he underplays, keep
me would take me to the woods

502
00:24:06,550 --> 00:24:07,280
and kill me.

503
00:24:07,280 --> 00:24:09,828
I was lucky he told
me go, don't go.

504
00:24:09,828 --> 00:24:10,370
Stay at home.

505
00:24:10,370 --> 00:24:14,880
I come pick it up and
I went to the camp.

506
00:24:14,880 --> 00:24:18,950
And was there and the camp
condition was very bad.

507
00:24:18,950 --> 00:24:22,340
We had snow, we get the soup.

508
00:24:22,340 --> 00:24:24,350
We pick it up in the bowl.

509
00:24:24,350 --> 00:24:26,900
We going to say, we had to
make our laundry in the bowl.

510
00:24:26,900 --> 00:24:28,400
We have to wash in the bowl.

511
00:24:28,400 --> 00:24:31,520
We have to pick it
up the snow to clean

512
00:24:31,520 --> 00:24:34,388
the back, the yards with the--

513

00:24:34,388 --> 00:24:35,180
With the same bowl?

514
00:24:35,180 --> 00:24:36,270
With the same bowl?

515
00:24:36,270 --> 00:24:36,440
Yes.

516
00:24:36,440 --> 00:24:37,440
Don't call us this name.

517
00:24:37,440 --> 00:24:42,050
We had for [NON-ENGLISH]
the organization, todt.

518
00:24:42,050 --> 00:24:46,430
T-O-D-T. He came and visit us.

519
00:24:46,430 --> 00:24:49,170
And he was looking on us.

520
00:24:49,170 --> 00:24:52,720
We was in two rows, no?

521
00:24:52,720 --> 00:24:56,040
And they don't call
names, they know no name.

522
00:24:56,040 --> 00:24:59,400
But they call us,
idioten and ober idioten.

523
00:24:59,400 --> 00:25:02,686
Younger, good looking,
better, was idioten, you know.

524
00:25:02,686 --> 00:25:09,880
The older one, the weaker one
was call him ober idioten.

525
00:25:09,880 --> 00:25:13,390
And sometimes he took
it out every fifth.

526

00:25:13,390 --> 00:25:14,640

We didn't know where he going.

527

00:25:14,640 --> 00:25:15,540

He took them out.

528

00:25:15,540 --> 00:25:19,790

They come back after a couple
of days, did some work.

529

00:25:19,790 --> 00:25:24,460

And we had hungry.

530

00:25:24,460 --> 00:25:28,680

We had already the lice.

531

00:25:28,680 --> 00:25:31,020

We couldn't even
wash our shirts.

532

00:25:31,020 --> 00:25:32,080

We get no shirt, nothing.

533

00:25:32,080 --> 00:25:35,200

We only the clothes
what we get from home.

534

00:25:35,200 --> 00:25:38,220

We when my parents wrote
me they come for the train,

535

00:25:38,220 --> 00:25:39,180

he was already waiting.

536

00:25:39,180 --> 00:25:41,885

Come with them packages,
it was not away.

537

00:25:41,885 --> 00:25:43,420

And hung it in lice.

538

00:25:43,420 --> 00:25:45,030

This was this worstest thing.

539

00:25:45,030 --> 00:25:47,330

It was the winter
we couldn't work.

540

00:25:47,330 --> 00:25:53,010

There, they took us out to clean
the roads for their Germans

541

00:25:53,010 --> 00:25:54,860

went in 1941.

542

00:25:54,860 --> 00:25:58,410

In winter the road was
not far from the camp,

543

00:25:58,410 --> 00:26:00,030

and there was heavy snow.

544

00:26:00,030 --> 00:26:03,590

The Germans columns
with the trucks,

545

00:26:03,590 --> 00:26:07,360

went East we sometimes
they were slippery.

546

00:26:07,360 --> 00:26:09,810

We had to push and to clean.

547

00:26:09,810 --> 00:26:14,380

And we build it
up very high walls

548

00:26:14,380 --> 00:26:15,840

because it's windy from snow.

549

00:26:15,840 --> 00:26:20,550

You can stay when we had
a couple of minutes rest.

550

00:26:20,550 --> 00:26:22,542

We can hiding from the road.

551

00:26:22,542 --> 00:26:24,750

What was your own physical
condition during this time?

552
00:26:24,750 --> 00:26:26,590
How did you feel?

553
00:26:26,590 --> 00:26:27,660
Were you were hungry?

554
00:26:27,660 --> 00:26:29,370
I was hungry always.

555
00:26:29,370 --> 00:26:31,010
I was hungry always.

556
00:26:31,010 --> 00:26:33,780
But we get from time
to time from the home,

557
00:26:33,780 --> 00:26:37,670
they let send us a piece
bread a kilo sometimes

558
00:26:37,670 --> 00:26:42,720
the lager master
that was responsible,

559
00:26:42,720 --> 00:26:46,380
he took the old bread and
threw it in, in the kitchen.

560
00:26:46,380 --> 00:26:48,600
And with the soup
and everything.

561
00:26:48,600 --> 00:26:52,170
This before everybody.

562
00:26:52,170 --> 00:26:54,350
OK, and this was the winter.

563
00:26:54,350 --> 00:26:58,260
They took us once for to
take a shower to Poznań.

564

00:26:58,260 --> 00:27:02,750

We was walking for three
hours and there was a shower,

565

00:27:02,750 --> 00:27:06,680

this was really something
what we didn't expect it,

566

00:27:06,680 --> 00:27:07,490

or something.

567

00:27:07,490 --> 00:27:11,300

But when we put again something,
the clean wash was the same.

568

00:27:11,300 --> 00:27:13,998

The lice was in the skin.

569

00:27:13,998 --> 00:27:14,540

I don't know.

570

00:27:14,540 --> 00:27:16,010

We had the same problem.

571

00:27:16,010 --> 00:27:21,440

But this was still
1942, April on spring

572

00:27:21,440 --> 00:27:24,050

there was rumors
the Germans need

573

00:27:24,050 --> 00:27:30,660

workers in the factories for
the war, for their war industry.

574

00:27:30,660 --> 00:27:34,370

And so was, they took us
to the train to Poznań.

575

00:27:34,370 --> 00:27:38,220

And they brought us to a town.

576

00:27:38,220 --> 00:27:40,790

Direction in Berlin,
where we stopped,

577
00:27:40,790 --> 00:27:44,450
the town was Rzepin
near Kostrzyn.

578
00:27:44,450 --> 00:27:47,860
And we was there working
in zawalidroga the--

579
00:27:47,860 --> 00:27:49,190
Watch, clock maker?

580
00:27:49,190 --> 00:27:52,070
--No, no. zawalidroga
They were you know what?

581
00:27:52,070 --> 00:27:54,418
From trees you make a
lumber that you cut.

582
00:27:54,418 --> 00:27:56,130
Oh, a lumber mill.

583
00:27:56,130 --> 00:27:56,930
A lumber mill.

584
00:27:56,930 --> 00:27:57,950
Yes, thank you.

585
00:27:57,950 --> 00:28:02,360
A lumber mill was working
there and they was looking,

586
00:28:02,360 --> 00:28:04,550
you know who was
working in the town?

587
00:28:04,550 --> 00:28:08,415
I saw the [NON-ENGLISH] on
the wall near the township.

588
00:28:08,415 --> 00:28:10,170
And Juden is [NON-ENGLISH].

589

00:28:10,170 --> 00:28:12,950

590

00:28:12,950 --> 00:28:18,320

And some people know,
we saw the German tanks.

591

00:28:18,320 --> 00:28:19,430

There was, I don't know.

592

00:28:19,430 --> 00:28:22,040

There was thinking
we are the targets.

593

00:28:22,040 --> 00:28:25,220

The German talk about,
you know what this is?

594

00:28:25,220 --> 00:28:26,780

I said, no I don't know it.

595

00:28:26,780 --> 00:28:27,530

I don't want that.

596

00:28:27,530 --> 00:28:29,590

I don't know, I was
looking around us

597

00:28:29,590 --> 00:28:31,340

or whether I was sorry,
but sometimes they

598

00:28:31,340 --> 00:28:36,230

happens that was naive
questions asking, no?

599

00:28:36,230 --> 00:28:38,990

And from that day,
they concentrate

600

00:28:38,990 --> 00:28:43,010

from all kind of camps.

601

00:28:43,010 --> 00:28:49,310
Jewish men and they
brought us to their camp.

602
00:28:49,310 --> 00:28:51,740
Name was it Britz.

603
00:28:51,740 --> 00:28:55,870
And there was camp and there
was not only Jews there.

604
00:28:55,870 --> 00:28:57,620
We was only separate only.

605
00:28:57,620 --> 00:29:00,870
There was Belgium, and there
was French prisoners of war

606
00:29:00,870 --> 00:29:02,210
with Russian prisoners or war.

607
00:29:02,210 --> 00:29:03,627
There was Russian
prisoners of war

608
00:29:03,627 --> 00:29:08,210
and different skin and
lowest stage condition.

609
00:29:08,210 --> 00:29:10,890
But maybe worse or like us.

610
00:29:10,890 --> 00:29:14,150
And the woman, a
Russian woman also

611
00:29:14,150 --> 00:29:18,800
what they had their, with
the OSD on the market.

612
00:29:18,800 --> 00:29:19,820
What did that stand for?

613
00:29:19,820 --> 00:29:21,337
[NON-ENGLISH] from east.

614
00:29:21,337 --> 00:29:21,920
From the east?

615
00:29:21,920 --> 00:29:23,130
Yes.

616
00:29:23,130 --> 00:29:26,780
The blue and white letter.

617
00:29:26,780 --> 00:29:29,660
We had the yellow with a Juden.

618
00:29:29,660 --> 00:29:32,480
And I come the first
day in the factory.

619
00:29:32,480 --> 00:29:38,180
The factory was about I would
say, about four kilometer

620
00:29:38,180 --> 00:29:39,200
from the camp.

621
00:29:39,200 --> 00:29:44,140
Was walking and
there was a watchman.

622
00:29:44,140 --> 00:29:48,350
[? Velkor ?] police
or something up.

623
00:29:48,350 --> 00:29:50,000
And they brought us in.

624
00:29:50,000 --> 00:29:55,340
And I came in, and they give
me some German to teach me

625
00:29:55,340 --> 00:29:57,110
how to work the machine.

626
00:29:57,110 --> 00:30:01,430
We had to work, we had

the produce 150 millimeter

627

00:30:01,430 --> 00:30:04,550
of shells for the [NON-ENGLISH].

628

00:30:04,550 --> 00:30:08,930
[NON-ENGLISH] for guns
was on the trains.

629

00:30:08,930 --> 00:30:15,500
And I had to produce
the bottom of the shell

630

00:30:15,500 --> 00:30:16,790
when you close it up.

631

00:30:16,790 --> 00:30:19,390
I don't know when you fill it
up, the bottle or something.

632

00:30:19,390 --> 00:30:22,150
Or they don't fill it up in
our place, this and that.

633

00:30:22,150 --> 00:30:25,580
And the first
thing, his name was

634

00:30:25,580 --> 00:30:30,710
Sigfried [? Ebil ?] and the
first question, he saw my star

635

00:30:30,710 --> 00:30:34,670
and say to me, Mr. Juden?

636

00:30:34,670 --> 00:30:36,690
Yeah, [GERMAN].

637

00:30:36,690 --> 00:30:40,530
So little with chutzpah
You were proud.

638

00:30:40,530 --> 00:30:41,480
A little defiant?

639

00:30:41,480 --> 00:30:42,200

Yeah.

640

00:30:42,200 --> 00:30:44,192

What's going on?

641

00:30:44,192 --> 00:30:46,400

I know what's going on, we
don't know about Auschwitz

642

00:30:46,400 --> 00:30:48,190

and other places.

643

00:30:48,190 --> 00:30:50,400

He told me, [GERMAN].

644

00:30:50,400 --> 00:30:53,750

645

00:30:53,750 --> 00:30:59,430

I want to-- lucky to for
Bolsheviks and Jews to hang.

646

00:30:59,430 --> 00:31:02,780

This was his prayer
for [INAUDIBLE]..

647

00:31:02,780 --> 00:31:05,240

OK, we started to work.

648

00:31:05,240 --> 00:31:07,410

I catch very fast.

649

00:31:07,410 --> 00:31:09,860

And he was satisfied.

650

00:31:09,860 --> 00:31:16,700

And I spoke I would
say German not bad.

651

00:31:16,700 --> 00:31:20,420

Not like Goethe and
Schiller, but less or more he

652

00:31:20,420 --> 00:31:22,580
could understand me.

653

00:31:22,580 --> 00:31:27,520
And he see this, I am normal.

654

00:31:27,520 --> 00:31:31,060
He wouldn't reading the Der
Stürmer of [NON-ENGLISH]

655

00:31:31,060 --> 00:31:33,430
by Jews have this
difference opinion.

656

00:31:33,430 --> 00:31:35,950
Said, [NON-ENGLISH].

657

00:31:35,950 --> 00:31:36,630
I'm different.

658

00:31:36,630 --> 00:31:37,780
You're like everybody else.

659

00:31:37,780 --> 00:31:38,970
He saw you're like
everybody else.

660

00:31:38,970 --> 00:31:39,470
Yeah.

661

00:31:39,470 --> 00:31:40,980
He was a young man also?

662

00:31:40,980 --> 00:31:45,000
He was maybe 38, 39.

663

00:31:45,000 --> 00:31:47,280
With a long nose, blond.

664

00:31:47,280 --> 00:31:49,880
I had blue eyes, he
had not blue eyes, no.

665

00:31:49,880 --> 00:31:51,770
And he said--

666
00:31:51,770 --> 00:31:53,640
You were more Aryan
looking than he was?

667
00:31:53,640 --> 00:31:57,060
Yeah, I was more or less.

668
00:31:57,060 --> 00:32:02,710
And we was working about
the 'till end of 1942.

669
00:32:02,710 --> 00:32:05,130
And I know what to do the job.

670
00:32:05,130 --> 00:32:06,790
I don't need more.

671
00:32:06,790 --> 00:32:09,490
But all of a sudden, he comes
and he want to help me out.

672
00:32:09,490 --> 00:32:10,740
And he started playing around.

673
00:32:10,740 --> 00:32:12,900
He cut his finger.

674
00:32:12,900 --> 00:32:16,320
Almost hanging on the skin.

675
00:32:16,320 --> 00:32:18,470
He do a job that
don't belong to him.

676
00:32:18,470 --> 00:32:21,860
But I know it what
the purpose was.

677
00:32:21,860 --> 00:32:25,200
There he told me after.

678

00:32:25,200 --> 00:32:27,960

They took him to a
hospital after two weeks.

679

00:32:27,960 --> 00:32:30,270

He's coming back
with a big bandage.

680

00:32:30,270 --> 00:32:35,760

Say, I have to go
to east Russia no?

681

00:32:35,760 --> 00:32:38,370

To on the front.

682

00:32:38,370 --> 00:32:39,180

I was very afraid.

683

00:32:39,180 --> 00:32:41,820

684

00:32:41,820 --> 00:32:45,390

But I come back, before
I go, I go and see you.

685

00:32:45,390 --> 00:32:49,610

And he came back with
a nice piece of bread.

686

00:32:49,610 --> 00:32:50,635

I was really--

687

00:32:50,635 --> 00:32:52,260

I don't know, maybe
it was my birthday,

688

00:32:52,260 --> 00:32:53,620

I think it's something year.

689

00:32:53,620 --> 00:32:57,180

And in July there's
something and he invited me

690

00:32:57,180 --> 00:32:59,520

to the washroom, call it.

691
00:32:59,520 --> 00:33:01,220
Say he gave me his hand.

692
00:33:01,220 --> 00:33:05,040
He tell me, Kempinski--
now, Kempinski

693
00:33:05,040 --> 00:33:06,765
was very famous was
near Berlin there's

694
00:33:06,765 --> 00:33:08,885
a very famous hotel
there, Kempinski.

695
00:33:08,885 --> 00:33:10,260
So they heard the
name Kempinski,

696
00:33:10,260 --> 00:33:12,690
I had a better uniform I get
from a jacket from a German

697
00:33:12,690 --> 00:33:13,690
also.

698
00:33:13,690 --> 00:33:17,760
But he told me, I wish you'd
come to your family home.

699
00:33:17,760 --> 00:33:19,550
And I have to go, I
have three children.

700
00:33:19,550 --> 00:33:22,900
He give me his hand,
with tears in his eyes,

701
00:33:22,900 --> 00:33:24,650
and this was the reason
I want the captain

702
00:33:24,650 --> 00:33:26,840
not to go to the army.

703

00:33:26,840 --> 00:33:29,000

Was he putting himself
at risk to help you?

704

00:33:29,000 --> 00:33:31,790

Was he in danger
himself by doing this?

705

00:33:31,790 --> 00:33:33,503

He put himself in danger, yes.

706

00:33:33,503 --> 00:33:35,045

And he was willing
to risk something?

707

00:33:35,045 --> 00:33:38,570

Yeah, he brought me
something was not working.

708

00:33:38,570 --> 00:33:40,580

Suddenly he brought me papers.

709

00:33:40,580 --> 00:33:42,277

I was know it exactly
what's going on.

710

00:33:42,277 --> 00:33:43,110

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

711

00:33:43,110 --> 00:33:43,830

Newspapers?

712

00:33:43,830 --> 00:33:45,980

And who the general in
[? Narvik, ?] and who was

713

00:33:45,980 --> 00:33:48,460

the general in [? Kratov ?]
that it was North Africa,

714

00:33:48,460 --> 00:33:52,895

when the Americans came to
in November with Eisenhower

715

00:33:52,895 --> 00:33:54,350
in North Africa.

716

00:33:54,350 --> 00:33:55,970
I had all as the--

717

00:33:55,970 --> 00:34:00,270
and the P -- that Kennedy
was landing in 1942.

718

00:34:00,270 --> 00:34:02,010
And August and summer.

719

00:34:02,010 --> 00:34:03,820
And he told me, [NON-ENGLISH].

720

00:34:03,820 --> 00:34:06,590
They don't had the success.

721

00:34:06,590 --> 00:34:07,780
I know what's going on.

722

00:34:07,780 --> 00:34:09,688
Know the names and know
the places exactly.

723

00:34:09,688 --> 00:34:11,980
Whether it was in [PLACE NAME]
whether it was in Crimea

724

00:34:11,980 --> 00:34:14,170
whether it was in Stalingrad.

725

00:34:14,170 --> 00:34:15,590
Whether it was by Leningrad.

726

00:34:15,590 --> 00:34:17,300
So I'm thinking know
what's going on.

727

00:34:17,300 --> 00:34:20,270
When they bomb West
or South Germany, yes.

728

00:34:20,270 --> 00:34:22,400

Help me out and
brought me books, also.

729

00:34:22,400 --> 00:34:24,199

Why do you think he did this?

730

00:34:24,199 --> 00:34:25,400

Why was he willing to do it?

731

00:34:25,400 --> 00:34:27,600

He changed maybe his mind.

732

00:34:27,600 --> 00:34:28,699

He said we suffer.

733

00:34:28,699 --> 00:34:31,520

We suffer, we was very angry.

734

00:34:31,520 --> 00:34:33,170

And I exchanged also with him.

735

00:34:33,170 --> 00:34:36,659

We get sometimes for
Christmas a little bit sugar,

736

00:34:36,659 --> 00:34:37,820

or the marmalade.

737

00:34:37,820 --> 00:34:39,139

He said, maybe we can exchange.

738

00:34:39,139 --> 00:34:42,230

I give you bread, and give me
for my kids little sugar, no?

739

00:34:42,230 --> 00:34:43,850

I give them to him.

740

00:34:43,850 --> 00:34:47,989

I was not smoking and we
get Yugoslavian package

741

00:34:47,989 --> 00:34:49,179
of tobacco smoke.

742
00:34:49,179 --> 00:34:54,600
I give to the cleaner miner
was a Russian prisoner of war.

743
00:34:54,600 --> 00:34:57,110
Nikola, and he, I give
him, he was smoking.

744
00:34:57,110 --> 00:35:00,350
But they I saw they taking
newspapers and where they find

745
00:35:00,350 --> 00:35:02,170
the leaves and they smoking.

746
00:35:02,170 --> 00:35:04,110
There was very, very bad shape.

747
00:35:04,110 --> 00:35:07,340
And we had the
master was Schultz.

748
00:35:07,340 --> 00:35:12,780
And when we get our meal in
then 12 o'clock was water.

749
00:35:12,780 --> 00:35:15,030
We'd get together with the
Russian prisoners of war.

750
00:35:15,030 --> 00:35:19,040
And once the Russian prisoner of
war took the bowl with the soup

751
00:35:19,040 --> 00:35:21,500
and put this on the floor.

752
00:35:21,500 --> 00:35:24,080
See what we were eating,
they give us water to eat.

753
00:35:24,080 --> 00:35:25,640

We are prisoners of war.

754

00:35:25,640 --> 00:35:28,260

Schultz beat them up and
told them, you know what?

755

00:35:28,260 --> 00:35:30,860

In World War II, I was
eating in prisoner of war

756

00:35:30,860 --> 00:35:33,368

in England, everyday rice.

757

00:35:33,368 --> 00:35:36,120

And was a special man,
we call him the boxer.

758

00:35:36,120 --> 00:35:37,500

I don't know what the name.

759

00:35:37,500 --> 00:35:38,750

When somebody would serve him.

760

00:35:38,750 --> 00:35:41,720

Somebody broke, somebody,
they call that sabotage.

761

00:35:41,720 --> 00:35:43,460

They took him to
washroom, he beat him

762

00:35:43,460 --> 00:35:46,220

so up that you
couldn't see his eyes

763

00:35:46,220 --> 00:35:49,600

and you couldn't see
somebody still alive.

764

00:35:49,600 --> 00:35:53,360

They call him boxer, very
strong man, young man.

765

00:35:53,360 --> 00:35:57,390

And he was the man when you

come in his hands, that--

766

00:35:57,390 --> 00:36:01,320
he was working one night, one
week night and one week day

767

00:36:01,320 --> 00:36:01,820
time.

768

00:36:01,820 --> 00:36:07,710
He was there 'till August 1943.

769

00:36:07,710 --> 00:36:10,460
By the 22nd, or 23rd.

770

00:36:10,460 --> 00:36:12,050
We figured that
all of a sudden we

771

00:36:12,050 --> 00:36:15,200
see police, about seven
police with machine guns.

772

00:36:15,200 --> 00:36:19,670
They came we, find it out
from Potsdam near Berlin.

773

00:36:19,670 --> 00:36:23,580
We pick it up, the last meal.

774

00:36:23,580 --> 00:36:25,010
That the piece
bread and the soup.

775

00:36:25,010 --> 00:36:28,940
And when we pick it
up, we had the carts.

776

00:36:28,940 --> 00:36:32,780
We get the soup,
we get the coupon.

777

00:36:32,780 --> 00:36:33,350
Yes.

778

00:36:33,350 --> 00:36:35,330

We saw one German,
and German woman

779

00:36:35,330 --> 00:36:38,490

was working about
in the kitchen.

780

00:36:38,490 --> 00:36:41,270

For we have a half hour
after they come to Belgium's

781

00:36:41,270 --> 00:36:44,538

come the French, the Russians,
not prisoners of war.

782

00:36:44,538 --> 00:36:45,830

Russian prisoners are separate.

783

00:36:45,830 --> 00:36:47,510

But civilian Russians.

784

00:36:47,510 --> 00:36:52,970

She was so crying, one
on the German woman's was

785

00:36:52,970 --> 00:36:56,180

crying unbelievable.

786

00:36:56,180 --> 00:36:57,190

I couldn't understand.

787

00:36:57,190 --> 00:37:02,150

I saying maybe something,
some maybe even some prisoner

788

00:37:02,150 --> 00:37:03,620

[INAUDIBLE] no.

789

00:37:03,620 --> 00:37:04,690

She was crying.

790

00:37:04,690 --> 00:37:07,630

And we left, we came the

next day in the morning,

791

00:37:07,630 --> 00:37:08,930
it was in evening.

792

00:37:08,930 --> 00:37:12,980
Police took it out, they
open the [? carbon ?] they

793

00:37:12,980 --> 00:37:15,650
ready to show them
everything what do you have,

794

00:37:15,650 --> 00:37:18,830
money or the some,
other food, potatoes

795

00:37:18,830 --> 00:37:21,890
we had in the pants potatoes.

796

00:37:21,890 --> 00:37:26,900
And carrots, everything out
and in came Gestapos, civilian.

797

00:37:26,900 --> 00:37:29,270
And they took a
hat from somebody

798

00:37:29,270 --> 00:37:32,800
and we get paid there
about 10 mark a month

799

00:37:32,800 --> 00:37:34,903
or the eight mark a month.

800

00:37:34,903 --> 00:37:36,820
And the rest they say
they send to the ghetto.

801

00:37:36,820 --> 00:37:39,000
But that was not true.

802

00:37:39,000 --> 00:37:40,790
They put us on the train.

803

00:37:40,790 --> 00:37:44,380

They brought us, we was
walking with our stuff.

804

00:37:44,380 --> 00:37:46,400

We have a wooden box.

805

00:37:46,400 --> 00:37:49,520

And took the train
to Abersfelder.

806

00:37:49,520 --> 00:37:53,160

We was about 203 men.

807

00:37:53,160 --> 00:37:56,350

Who was there once about 700.

808

00:37:56,350 --> 00:38:00,050

But the 500 couldn't,
were able to continue.

809

00:38:00,050 --> 00:38:03,420

And they sent them back where?

810

00:38:03,420 --> 00:38:04,020

I don't know.

811

00:38:04,020 --> 00:38:07,330

812

00:38:07,330 --> 00:38:12,360

And we was on the train.

813

00:38:12,360 --> 00:38:15,720

It was about four wagons.

814

00:38:15,720 --> 00:38:19,390

One was for person
for the police.

815

00:38:19,390 --> 00:38:20,155

And--

816

00:38:20,155 --> 00:38:22,030

Did they tell you where
they were taking you?

817

00:38:22,030 --> 00:38:22,930

No, no, no.

818

00:38:22,930 --> 00:38:23,430

Did you?

819

00:38:23,430 --> 00:38:24,260

No.

820

00:38:24,260 --> 00:38:26,670

I hear this the
police something,

821

00:38:26,670 --> 00:38:29,220

rumors was they had
that letter and they had

822

00:38:29,220 --> 00:38:32,137

to open this after three days.

823

00:38:32,137 --> 00:38:33,720

Where we going, they
find it outgoing.

824

00:38:33,720 --> 00:38:35,410

They by themselves,
no [INAUDIBLE]..

825

00:38:35,410 --> 00:38:37,680

But the Gestapo that when
you come on the place,

826

00:38:37,680 --> 00:38:41,190

you'll get back everything but
we taking you away from you.

827

00:38:41,190 --> 00:38:43,080

And we came after four days.

828

00:38:43,080 --> 00:38:50,460

And one on the way in the night

was crying, screaming in wagon.

829

00:38:50,460 --> 00:38:52,620

They got us put us in fire.

830

00:38:52,620 --> 00:38:55,110

They was going to kill us.

831

00:38:55,110 --> 00:38:58,140

We don't know there's
something wrong with him.

832

00:38:58,140 --> 00:38:59,330

Were these only men?

833

00:38:59,330 --> 00:39:00,690

Men, yes, yes.

834

00:39:00,690 --> 00:39:01,760

No women, no children?

835

00:39:01,760 --> 00:39:04,110

No women, no, no, no.

836

00:39:04,110 --> 00:39:09,020

And we find that out
that's the German woman,

837

00:39:09,020 --> 00:39:12,570

he was working in the camp.

838

00:39:12,570 --> 00:39:13,820

He would then went to the war.

839

00:39:13,820 --> 00:39:15,840

Go back, he was
cleaning the barracks.

840

00:39:15,840 --> 00:39:20,420

He lift about two or
three men in the camp.

841

00:39:20,420 --> 00:39:24,470

When we were out to the

work to clean the barracks.

842

00:39:24,470 --> 00:39:30,290

And he maybe had some
connection with the kitchen.

843

00:39:30,290 --> 00:39:33,020

Or he had with
potatoes, he was there,

844

00:39:33,020 --> 00:39:34,820

there was some
[? cow ?] the same.

845

00:39:34,820 --> 00:39:37,430

And no German, and maybe
the German woman some things

846

00:39:37,430 --> 00:39:39,740

mentioned, where you going?

847

00:39:39,740 --> 00:39:41,240

Where are you going?

848

00:39:41,240 --> 00:39:42,740

He was screaming.

849

00:39:42,740 --> 00:39:43,490

We didn't know it.

850

00:39:43,490 --> 00:39:47,000

I was thinking something
wrong with him.

851

00:39:47,000 --> 00:39:51,230

And we came to
Birkenau, Auschwitz.

852

00:39:51,230 --> 00:39:54,160

This was think on Sunday.

853

00:39:54,160 --> 00:39:55,870

How long had you been traveling?

854

00:39:55,870 --> 00:39:56,650
How many days?

855
00:39:56,650 --> 00:39:58,860
Think about four days.

856
00:39:58,860 --> 00:40:00,760
This was near Berlin.

857
00:40:00,760 --> 00:40:02,170
I hear the station
[? Kotpost. ?]

858
00:40:02,170 --> 00:40:07,750
I know the Silesia near
Poland, near Katowice.

859
00:40:07,750 --> 00:40:10,980
And we was looking
through the small windows.

860
00:40:10,980 --> 00:40:17,780
We saw by the train,
the working Jews.

861
00:40:17,780 --> 00:40:21,280
There was something screaming,
we didn't understand them.

862
00:40:21,280 --> 00:40:22,960
We came to Birkenau.

863
00:40:22,960 --> 00:40:26,860
We heard screaming,
out out, shnell.

864
00:40:26,860 --> 00:40:30,440
With dogs and don't let us--

865
00:40:30,440 --> 00:40:34,180
we had some bags there, they
don't let us take nothing.

866
00:40:34,180 --> 00:40:35,650
From there, there was a ramp.

867

00:40:35,650 --> 00:40:38,930

We jumped from
there on the train.

868

00:40:38,930 --> 00:40:41,290

We came in to Birkenau.

869

00:40:41,290 --> 00:40:42,910

We went to the gate.

870

00:40:42,910 --> 00:40:51,100

On the right side, we saw on
steps bent only girls, womans

871

00:40:51,100 --> 00:40:53,710

and Navy uniforms.

872

00:40:53,710 --> 00:40:59,740

And all instruments was
violins and all kind sizes

873

00:40:59,740 --> 00:41:01,730

and all kind.

874

00:41:01,730 --> 00:41:04,900

But I'm, not an a musician,
cannot mention of, but was

875

00:41:04,900 --> 00:41:08,800

a type of violins, yes.

876

00:41:08,800 --> 00:41:13,490

I would say, but
there was 50 or 60.

877

00:41:13,490 --> 00:41:16,960

And we move it,
they was playing.

878

00:41:16,960 --> 00:41:22,690

And we came in and I
hear somebody calling me.

879

00:41:22,690 --> 00:41:24,710
He recognized me.

880
00:41:24,710 --> 00:41:26,440
And I didn't almost
recognize him.

881
00:41:26,440 --> 00:41:29,560
He is longer than,
he had I would say

882
00:41:29,560 --> 00:41:31,780
another 24 hours what he had.

883
00:41:31,780 --> 00:41:32,570
I was too late.

884
00:41:32,570 --> 00:41:37,580
And I met my cousin there,
[? Olzer ?] Kempinski.

885
00:41:37,580 --> 00:41:38,470
He was there.

886
00:41:38,470 --> 00:41:43,130
You couldn't
recognize the people.

887
00:41:43,130 --> 00:41:48,740
And you was so tight that
so many people was there.

888
00:41:48,740 --> 00:41:52,430
On your [INAUDIBLE]
we saw the running

889
00:41:52,430 --> 00:41:58,400
I know that 15, 18, 20 men's
with the barrels with soup,

890
00:41:58,400 --> 00:42:00,080
hot soup coming out.

891
00:42:00,080 --> 00:42:02,330
They had two 2 by

4's and they're

892

00:42:02,330 --> 00:42:03,590
holding from both sides.

893

00:42:03,590 --> 00:42:07,610
And every five, six feet,
they stopped, it was so heavy.

894

00:42:07,610 --> 00:42:11,690
I know what maybe 200,
or 250 gallons of soup.

895

00:42:11,690 --> 00:42:15,380
What was so hot, they was
afraid to spill it, no?

896

00:42:15,380 --> 00:42:22,170
And we get and as they brought
it in, in the barrack and this,

897

00:42:22,170 --> 00:42:25,400
we find that out this
was a stable once

898

00:42:25,400 --> 00:42:28,150
for the Austrian army
that was in World War

899

00:42:28,150 --> 00:42:31,160
I. They were displaced
and Birkenau was

900

00:42:31,160 --> 00:42:34,570
the Austrian army, the camp.

901

00:42:34,570 --> 00:42:36,890
And it was stables.

902

00:42:36,890 --> 00:42:38,250
We saw the floor.

903

00:42:38,250 --> 00:42:41,060
Floor was some
bricks were loose.

904

00:42:41,060 --> 00:42:44,240

We started to pick
it up, the bricks.

905

00:42:44,240 --> 00:42:48,590

We find the letters, addresses,
pictures, gold, rings,

906

00:42:48,590 --> 00:42:51,070

diamonds, money.

907

00:42:51,070 --> 00:42:54,140

We decided we don't
know what's going on.

908

00:42:54,140 --> 00:42:56,060

Some people started
to pick it up.

909

00:42:56,060 --> 00:42:58,670

Some gold, rings,
and put this in.

910

00:42:58,670 --> 00:43:01,580

All of a sudden, came an SS man.

911

00:43:01,580 --> 00:43:04,460

I was thinking some traitor.

912

00:43:04,460 --> 00:43:09,950

And come out with a pistol
in his hand, he said,

913

00:43:09,950 --> 00:43:12,530

everybody who took
something, or find some,

914

00:43:12,530 --> 00:43:14,690

don't put the one second.

915

00:43:14,690 --> 00:43:16,970

Out, get shot.

916

00:43:16,970 --> 00:43:19,880
We have take it off our clothes.

917
00:43:19,880 --> 00:43:23,440
And they open the
door, the gate.

918
00:43:23,440 --> 00:43:28,610
We have to walk it out, single,
naked, we have open our mouth.

919
00:43:28,610 --> 00:43:31,670
We have spread out our fingers.

920
00:43:31,670 --> 00:43:32,740
We have nothing.

921
00:43:32,740 --> 00:43:34,520
And they look in
other places also.

922
00:43:34,520 --> 00:43:37,390

923
00:43:37,390 --> 00:43:40,440
OK, and they took
us in other barrack.

924
00:43:40,440 --> 00:43:44,030
We was all time naked was warm.

925
00:43:44,030 --> 00:43:50,430
We saw next to them
fence, woman, girls,

926
00:43:50,430 --> 00:43:52,380
they had only also--

927
00:43:52,380 --> 00:43:53,780
they had no dresses, nothing.

928
00:43:53,780 --> 00:43:58,760
They had only a cover, a blanket
from the bed, no that was.

929

00:43:58,760 --> 00:44:00,980

After this, I had
for the shower.

930

00:44:00,980 --> 00:44:03,290

And they prepared us
to get the numbers.

931

00:44:03,290 --> 00:44:05,800

932

00:44:05,800 --> 00:44:07,640

To get the number.

933

00:44:07,640 --> 00:44:10,440

They make like with a pen.

934

00:44:10,440 --> 00:44:12,890

It was bleeding a little bit.

935

00:44:12,890 --> 00:44:16,360

Wash it up and the number.

936

00:44:16,360 --> 00:44:19,570

Last thing to take.

937

00:44:19,570 --> 00:44:20,830

This was my name.

938

00:44:20,830 --> 00:44:22,400

This was mine.

939

00:44:22,400 --> 00:44:23,460

That was your identity?

940

00:44:23,460 --> 00:44:28,900

Identity for 'till April
the 29, Americans came in.

941

00:44:28,900 --> 00:44:33,100

OK, and they put us
in other barrack.

942

00:44:33,100 --> 00:44:35,260
They cut the hairs also.

943
00:44:35,260 --> 00:44:37,320
We washed up.

944
00:44:37,320 --> 00:44:41,170
Before, and they took
us near the crematorium.

945
00:44:41,170 --> 00:44:43,440
Showed us-- can I take it off?

946
00:44:43,440 --> 00:44:43,940
Sure.

947
00:44:43,940 --> 00:44:44,642
Please.

948
00:44:44,642 --> 00:44:45,142
Please.

949
00:44:45,142 --> 00:44:45,850
Excuse me.

950
00:44:45,850 --> 00:44:47,284
Thank you.

951
00:44:47,284 --> 00:44:48,160
It's hot.

952
00:44:48,160 --> 00:44:51,910
And it was in the night time.

953
00:44:51,910 --> 00:44:56,600
And they put us between
Greek people, what they

954
00:44:56,600 --> 00:44:58,810
didn't spoke with our language.

955
00:44:58,810 --> 00:45:01,520
We couldn't come
have a conversation.

956
00:45:01,520 --> 00:45:03,690
But they know that
a few German words,

957
00:45:03,690 --> 00:45:10,130
and they show us the smoke that
is my father, my mother smoke.

958
00:45:10,130 --> 00:45:11,604
We still couldn't understand.

959
00:45:11,604 --> 00:45:13,460
Didn't understand?

960
00:45:13,460 --> 00:45:15,250
And the transports
start to come at night.

961
00:45:15,250 --> 00:45:16,490
We didn't know from where.

962
00:45:16,490 --> 00:45:19,100
But daytime we was waiting.

963
00:45:19,100 --> 00:45:22,650
We was a small transport
'till we get free,

964
00:45:22,650 --> 00:45:25,300
go on the gas chamber.

965
00:45:25,300 --> 00:45:29,230
In the morning, I saw
come also a transport.

966
00:45:29,230 --> 00:45:31,460
People coming in trucks.

967
00:45:31,460 --> 00:45:38,350
And in the end was
two trucks with stuff,

968
00:45:38,350 --> 00:45:42,550

what is left for the boxes from,
there was addresses is on them.

969
00:45:42,550 --> 00:45:46,270
On [INAUDIBLE] understand,
they come from Belgium.

970
00:45:46,270 --> 00:45:52,350
And the convoy in the column
the last, was-- the last car,

971
00:45:52,350 --> 00:45:54,970
the last truck was an ambulance.

972
00:45:54,970 --> 00:45:56,350
I was on the right side.

973
00:45:56,350 --> 00:46:01,300
So the SS man and the
white coat sitting.

974
00:46:01,300 --> 00:46:04,970
And I saw the ambulance, a
very simple like the American

975
00:46:04,970 --> 00:46:09,280
ambulances on the windows
[? cans, ?] [? cans ?] and this

976
00:46:09,280 --> 00:46:10,890
was a guess.

977
00:46:10,890 --> 00:46:16,780
Even the door was not closed
was like with the wire

978
00:46:16,780 --> 00:46:19,887
on the lock around.

979
00:46:19,887 --> 00:46:21,970
I know what these were
whether was broken or what.

980
00:46:21,970 --> 00:46:24,220
You could see that

the [? cans ?] on one

981
00:46:24,220 --> 00:46:27,190
on the other one.

982
00:46:27,190 --> 00:46:29,410
They let us go in
the other barrack.

983
00:46:29,410 --> 00:46:33,390
This was block 7.

984
00:46:33,390 --> 00:46:36,280
We had a block
elster Mr. Miller.

985
00:46:36,280 --> 00:46:39,790
He was a doctor from Slovakia.

986
00:46:39,790 --> 00:46:42,900
And he said, you are
all professional.

987
00:46:42,900 --> 00:46:43,840
You know what to do.

988
00:46:43,840 --> 00:46:47,308
This I'm sure they sent
us to a factory back.

989
00:46:47,308 --> 00:46:48,350
But you know how to work.

990
00:46:48,350 --> 00:46:50,250
You was working [NON-ENGLISH].

991
00:46:50,250 --> 00:46:55,810
And the block was
already a regular block,

992
00:46:55,810 --> 00:46:58,480
it was a old SS ex stable.

993
00:46:58,480 --> 00:47:04,660

And there was like a stove built
the long ways in the barrack,

994

00:47:04,660 --> 00:47:08,260
and the opening was where
you put the woods or the coal

995

00:47:08,260 --> 00:47:09,400
in the [INAUDIBLE].

996

00:47:09,400 --> 00:47:12,910
And the night we had a watchman.

997

00:47:12,910 --> 00:47:16,180
We had a bucket,
we had to go down,

998

00:47:16,180 --> 00:47:18,640
so you couldn't go
out to the toilets.

999

00:47:18,640 --> 00:47:20,240
We had to use the bucket.

1000

00:47:20,240 --> 00:47:22,800
And I don't know what you
fall asleep or do something.

1001

00:47:22,800 --> 00:47:26,520
All of a sudden, I hear
and so from far away,

1002

00:47:26,520 --> 00:47:31,360
he fall asleep somebody
took an SS man,

1003

00:47:31,360 --> 00:47:37,360
put his head in the hole where
they put the woods to the oven,

1004

00:47:37,360 --> 00:47:39,790
and push up and
they beat him up.

1005

00:47:39,790 --> 00:47:46,240

He was crying and calling
in Polish, [NON-ENGLISH]..

1006
00:47:46,240 --> 00:47:47,620
Jesus, Mary and so.

1007
00:47:47,620 --> 00:47:49,140
Jesus, Mary in Polish.

1008
00:47:49,140 --> 00:47:53,770
Understand he's Polish
guy, he fall asleep.

1009
00:47:53,770 --> 00:47:57,670
This was and I was
sleeping no straw, nothing.

1010
00:47:57,670 --> 00:48:04,570
Only on the no, lumber.

1011
00:48:04,570 --> 00:48:05,350
Just a wooden?

1012
00:48:05,350 --> 00:48:07,160
Wooden, yeah [INAUDIBLE].

1013
00:48:07,160 --> 00:48:09,895
And we had a wooden shoes.

1014
00:48:09,895 --> 00:48:11,020
And you have to watch them.

1015
00:48:11,020 --> 00:48:13,390
I mean, you lost, you
don't get to the shoes.

1016
00:48:13,390 --> 00:48:17,080
We put this under the head
and this was our pillow.

1017
00:48:17,080 --> 00:48:20,890
And they really, they
took us over a week,

1018

00:48:20,890 --> 00:48:23,810
they took us in the next
camp, [? Reischall ?]

1019
00:48:23,810 --> 00:48:26,280
we was there maybe a day two.

1020
00:48:26,280 --> 00:48:29,620
And they took us to the
main camp, Auschwitz.

1021
00:48:29,620 --> 00:48:34,190
This I would say maybe a mile
away or a mile and a half.

1022
00:48:34,190 --> 00:48:36,860
And we was in the barracks.

1023
00:48:36,860 --> 00:48:38,560
We was there only for five days.

1024
00:48:38,560 --> 00:48:41,470
We come in the gate, we
see, Arbeit macht frei but I

1025
00:48:41,470 --> 00:48:44,880
now in '85, I saw the same
gate and same writing.

1026
00:48:44,880 --> 00:48:48,820
I explain to my
sons and from there,

1027
00:48:48,820 --> 00:48:54,460
they send us to the camp
IG Farbenindustrie, that's

1028
00:48:54,460 --> 00:48:56,610
at the headquarters
in Frankfurt.

1029
00:48:56,610 --> 00:48:57,270
IG Farben.

1030
00:48:57,270 --> 00:49:01,380

IG Farbenindustrie with the
Eisenhower at his headquarters.

1031
00:49:01,380 --> 00:49:02,350
Yes.

1032
00:49:02,350 --> 00:49:08,110
And I was working there
with from September,

1033
00:49:08,110 --> 00:49:13,340
beginning September,
through January the 17 1945.

1034
00:49:13,340 --> 00:49:17,260
They evacuated the camp.

1035
00:49:17,260 --> 00:49:22,600
And I do construction
work and the all come.

1036
00:49:22,600 --> 00:49:25,060
And we have in
the camp, this was

1037
00:49:25,060 --> 00:49:31,360
lucky was a camp from between
10 and 12,000 prisoners.

1038
00:49:31,360 --> 00:49:34,540
We have the--

1039
00:49:34,540 --> 00:49:36,960
I think every two
weeks, a shower we

1040
00:49:36,960 --> 00:49:40,510
put the block by block, block.

1041
00:49:40,510 --> 00:49:44,230
I was next with Elie
Wiesel, not the same.

1042
00:49:44,230 --> 00:49:44,990
I was 55.

1043
00:49:44,990 --> 00:49:45,850
He was in 57.

1044
00:49:45,850 --> 00:49:47,073
I find it out with him.

1045
00:49:47,073 --> 00:49:48,490
I spoke him, I
know he was in Buna

1046
00:49:48,490 --> 00:49:51,140
I was reading the ninth
and the fifth zone

1047
00:49:51,140 --> 00:49:54,740
and from the camp
from the books.

1048
00:49:54,740 --> 00:49:57,415
Was it your picture that
recently appeared in the paper

1049
00:49:57,415 --> 00:49:58,313
alongside him?

1050
00:49:58,313 --> 00:49:59,480
Because there was somebody--

1051
00:49:59,480 --> 00:50:01,138
No this was a picture
from Buchenwald

1052
00:50:01,138 --> 00:50:02,180
when he was living there.

1053
00:50:02,180 --> 00:50:03,180
I was not in Buchenwald.

1054
00:50:03,180 --> 00:50:05,650
In Buna, the [PERSONAL NAME]
I was with him.

1055
00:50:05,650 --> 00:50:06,938

He came in--

1056
00:50:06,938 --> 00:50:07,480
This was in--

1057
00:50:07,480 --> 00:50:09,410
--1944 in May or June.

1058
00:50:09,410 --> 00:50:09,910
Yes.

1059
00:50:09,910 --> 00:50:11,870
He was already old
prisoners at that time.

1060
00:50:11,870 --> 00:50:16,330
We know, I know that
what's going on to believe.

1061
00:50:16,330 --> 00:50:19,270
Did you learn what
was going on slowly?

1062
00:50:19,270 --> 00:50:22,000
Oh, yeah, we know it by the
gas chambers and the town,

1063
00:50:22,000 --> 00:50:23,440
yes, yes.

1064
00:50:23,440 --> 00:50:25,090
Because they make
a selection, they

1065
00:50:25,090 --> 00:50:29,780
came every couple of weeks,
and they checked us up.

1066
00:50:29,780 --> 00:50:35,020
How we were looking and
they mark it us or sometimes

1067
00:50:35,020 --> 00:50:36,930
they mark it with a number.

1068

00:50:36,930 --> 00:50:40,120

And they took it out, the
next day they disappeared.

1069

00:50:40,120 --> 00:50:42,780

They took him to Birkenau.

1070

00:50:42,780 --> 00:50:45,320

And people, I assume tried to
stay as healthy as they could?

1071

00:50:45,320 --> 00:50:46,153

Healthy as possible.

1072

00:50:46,153 --> 00:50:48,880

Not to go in, there was
a hospital like a KP.

1073

00:50:48,880 --> 00:50:51,990

[GERMAN] they call it in German.

1074

00:50:51,990 --> 00:50:55,510

And I was for one day when
they, I remember by there

1075

00:50:55,510 --> 00:50:58,780

I saw the paper that's
fighting from the invasion

1076

00:50:58,780 --> 00:51:02,330

from June 6 in 1944.

1077

00:51:02,330 --> 00:51:05,810

And there I find it out
[NON-ENGLISH] like The New York

1078

00:51:05,810 --> 00:51:09,330

Times is the name
[INAUDIBLE] from Stalin.

1079

00:51:09,330 --> 00:51:12,410

I remember exactly
what the red line.

1080

00:51:12,410 --> 00:51:15,150
I said thank God this.

1081
00:51:15,150 --> 00:51:20,010
And if they bombed down
from July 1944, they came in

1082
00:51:20,010 --> 00:51:21,280
and they bombed the factory.

1083
00:51:21,280 --> 00:51:24,110
And this was for
us a big release.

1084
00:51:24,110 --> 00:51:25,630
And why didn't do this before?

1085
00:51:25,630 --> 00:51:26,570
Why the leaflets?

1086
00:51:26,570 --> 00:51:29,310
Why there some papers?

1087
00:51:29,310 --> 00:51:30,310
And I was working there.

1088
00:51:30,310 --> 00:51:33,850
We had contact with the
British prisoners of war.

1089
00:51:33,850 --> 00:51:36,500
They came from Tobruk
from North Africa.

1090
00:51:36,500 --> 00:51:37,550
These are military?

1091
00:51:37,550 --> 00:51:38,950
Military, yeah, we was working--

1092
00:51:38,950 --> 00:51:40,430
They gave you information?

1093
00:51:40,430 --> 00:51:42,412

No, we did give to
him information.

1094
00:51:42,412 --> 00:51:46,300

1095
00:51:46,300 --> 00:51:48,250
They had that paper
from the paper,

1096
00:51:48,250 --> 00:51:50,440
with the reading they want
from us the information.

1097
00:51:50,440 --> 00:51:53,220
But we had to contact
[PERSONAL NAME]

1098
00:51:53,220 --> 00:51:56,450
and get some paper.

1099
00:51:56,450 --> 00:52:01,120
Or there some a German
what he left or forgot.

1100
00:52:01,120 --> 00:52:03,640
We find it, and from
the German paper,

1101
00:52:03,640 --> 00:52:05,350
we translated to English.

1102
00:52:05,350 --> 00:52:12,730
And we wrote up and we had
the young rabbi from Holland

1103
00:52:12,730 --> 00:52:15,920
in the [? Teris. ?] He
know perfect English.

1104
00:52:15,920 --> 00:52:17,200
I brought him the papers.

1105
00:52:17,200 --> 00:52:21,420
He translated and we

had one time was working

1106

00:52:21,420 --> 00:52:23,410
and come two SS people.

1107

00:52:23,410 --> 00:52:26,010
We had to take it off
of our hats and to bend.

1108

00:52:26,010 --> 00:52:30,430
And he had them there, and
had and they fall down.

1109

00:52:30,430 --> 00:52:33,490
And we always in 12 o'clock,
we brought him the news

1110

00:52:33,490 --> 00:52:36,290
and we get the barrel
with the soup from them.

1111

00:52:36,290 --> 00:52:38,604
It was a delicious soup
compared to our soup.

1112

00:52:38,604 --> 00:52:41,210

1113

00:52:41,210 --> 00:52:45,460
And they put them in
the camp immediately.

1114

00:52:45,460 --> 00:52:49,710
I come in the camp,
and I was 100%.

1115

00:52:49,710 --> 00:52:53,210
Sure, they beat him up,
and he give my name,

1116

00:52:53,210 --> 00:52:54,900
others as I helped him out.

1117

00:52:54,900 --> 00:52:58,900
But I come and he had a big

red point on the white field

1118
00:52:58,900 --> 00:53:01,110
that's been
[NON-ENGLISH] in German.

1119
00:53:01,110 --> 00:53:03,360
That's an escaper.

1120
00:53:03,360 --> 00:53:05,280
They took him away, and
I never saw him again.

1121
00:53:05,280 --> 00:53:08,670

1122
00:53:08,670 --> 00:53:12,440
But the British, they took him
to the bunker for a few days,

1123
00:53:12,440 --> 00:53:13,700
he get bread and water.

1124
00:53:13,700 --> 00:53:16,340
He told me, and you
can see on his face.

1125
00:53:16,340 --> 00:53:18,165
They feed him only
with water and bread.

1126
00:53:18,165 --> 00:53:23,290
And Charlie's come
back, and we stop.

1127
00:53:23,290 --> 00:53:26,380
But we had a Polish and
Czechish, Yugoslavian,

1128
00:53:26,380 --> 00:53:27,860
and all kind people.

1129
00:53:27,860 --> 00:53:31,090
And the language we
talked with them.

1130
00:53:31,090 --> 00:53:37,700
And we could exchange with
them, and do something,

1131
00:53:37,700 --> 00:53:41,300
something additional
to our food.

1132
00:53:41,300 --> 00:53:45,080
Or they that Germans when
they brought the people

1133
00:53:45,080 --> 00:53:47,960
to the camps, no clothes.

1134
00:53:47,960 --> 00:53:52,800
Sometimes we had a connection
with somebody who was working,

1135
00:53:52,800 --> 00:53:57,050
and we took it out
to civilian clothes.

1136
00:53:57,050 --> 00:54:01,140
And we were selling
them to get bread.

1137
00:54:01,140 --> 00:54:05,690
When I tell you the story,
they had not more uniforms.

1138
00:54:05,690 --> 00:54:08,660
So many people, that when
they come from Hungary in 1944

1139
00:54:08,660 --> 00:54:11,960
there was no more, the
uniforms for prisoners.

1140
00:54:11,960 --> 00:54:16,200
And it started in 1945,
we had the coats to get.

1141
00:54:16,200 --> 00:54:19,950

Where they cut it out, the
pockets that we cannot put

1142
00:54:19,950 --> 00:54:22,370
anything.

1143
00:54:22,370 --> 00:54:27,300
And I tell you, they
usually in the beginning,

1144
00:54:27,300 --> 00:54:33,440
on the civilian coats, they
put a red pass on the back.

1145
00:54:33,440 --> 00:54:34,670
What did this mean?

1146
00:54:34,670 --> 00:54:35,460
A paint, the red?

1147
00:54:35,460 --> 00:54:35,960
Yes.

1148
00:54:35,960 --> 00:54:37,480
This say you are a prisoner.

1149
00:54:37,480 --> 00:54:44,170
What do we do, that we took
bricks with water, red bricks,

1150
00:54:44,170 --> 00:54:47,120
we make paint from this.

1151
00:54:47,120 --> 00:54:50,180
And we paint it, civilian.

1152
00:54:50,180 --> 00:54:53,600
We paint with somebody want
to escape, we paint it,

1153
00:54:53,600 --> 00:54:55,610
this dry out, we clean it out.

1154
00:54:55,610 --> 00:54:57,530

There was clean.

1155

00:54:57,530 --> 00:54:59,570
Was no paint, or nothing.

1156

00:54:59,570 --> 00:55:00,647
Now you see we are--

1157

00:55:00,647 --> 00:55:01,730
we learned to be criminal.

1158

00:55:01,730 --> 00:55:02,810
We will learn to cheat.

1159

00:55:02,810 --> 00:55:06,380
We did, but they would get
smarter, and they cut it out.

1160

00:55:06,380 --> 00:55:08,570
We call it the
windows, a square.

1161

00:55:08,570 --> 00:55:12,210
And they put it in a
piece from their uniforms.

1162

00:55:12,210 --> 00:55:16,450
This was out but We had to
find other ways, in other ways.

1163

00:55:16,450 --> 00:55:18,980

1164

00:55:18,980 --> 00:55:23,490
Was escapes, when the escapes,
they couldn't find it,

1165

00:55:23,490 --> 00:55:28,440
they pick it up, everything
and to bring him away.

1166

00:55:28,440 --> 00:55:30,420
Where?

1167

00:55:30,420 --> 00:55:36,990

There was on October
the 9 in 1944

1168

00:55:36,990 --> 00:55:42,590

was they find it
out as underground.

1169

00:55:42,590 --> 00:55:46,700

And they find it some
scissors they say.

1170

00:55:46,700 --> 00:55:51,140

[? Pfeiffer ?] they want to put
this on ice for this is meant

1171

00:55:51,140 --> 00:55:51,900

and to open.

1172

00:55:51,900 --> 00:55:54,320

And to get at least we know it.

1173

00:55:54,320 --> 00:55:56,440

This is Poland almost--

1174

00:55:56,440 --> 00:55:58,330

I mean it's going to Warsaw.

1175

00:55:58,330 --> 00:56:00,320

the Russian not far away.

1176

00:56:00,320 --> 00:56:03,040

And not far away, 250 miles.

1177

00:56:03,040 --> 00:56:04,750

We was hoping everyday.

1178

00:56:04,750 --> 00:56:07,250

Between time, July the
20 like [INAUDIBLE] they

1179

00:56:07,250 --> 00:56:09,440

tried to kill Hitler.

1180

00:56:09,440 --> 00:56:10,190
We had the papers.

1181
00:56:10,190 --> 00:56:11,506
We had them.

1182
00:56:11,506 --> 00:56:13,372
I have to pause in a moment.

1183
00:56:13,372 --> 00:56:15,080
If you want to finish
what you're saying.

1184
00:56:15,080 --> 00:56:17,740
And we'll pause for a few
minutes and then continue.

1185
00:56:17,740 --> 00:56:18,770
Another minute?

1186
00:56:18,770 --> 00:56:19,520
Yeah, if you want.

1187
00:56:19,520 --> 00:56:21,890
Yeah, another minute.

1188
00:56:21,890 --> 00:56:26,890
And this they took the
three prisoners, three Jews,

1189
00:56:26,890 --> 00:56:33,500
and I remember one that brought
the diamond, his brother in Los

1190
00:56:33,500 --> 00:56:35,240
Angeles is here.

1191
00:56:35,240 --> 00:56:37,220
His brother say, [NON-ENGLISH].

1192
00:56:37,220 --> 00:56:39,200
We are the last.

1193
00:56:39,200 --> 00:56:41,120

The other one, [NON-ENGLISH].

1194

00:56:41,120 --> 00:56:43,910

This the, freedom be alive.

1195

00:56:43,910 --> 00:56:46,230

And the third one
won't say something,

1196

00:56:46,230 --> 00:56:47,860

but they put him down.

1197

00:56:47,860 --> 00:56:52,393

And he was saying for many
hours was a really heroes.

1198

00:56:52,393 --> 00:56:55,190

1199

00:56:55,190 --> 00:56:57,650

Maybe this is a good time
to pause for a few minutes,

1200

00:56:57,650 --> 00:57:00,810

and then we'll finish
the questioning.

1201

00:57:00,810 --> 00:57:11,061