

1
00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:05,700

2
00:00:05,700 --> 00:00:06,750
[INAUDIBLE]

3
00:00:06,750 --> 00:00:11,700
And within a few weeks
I operated them all.

4
00:00:11,700 --> 00:00:13,260
Young I was.

5
00:00:13,260 --> 00:00:14,900
It was very easy to learn.

6
00:00:14,900 --> 00:00:16,320
You were 16 at the time.

7
00:00:16,320 --> 00:00:17,490
16, 17.

8
00:00:17,490 --> 00:00:18,780
So.

9
00:00:18,780 --> 00:00:29,130
And there we were till 1944,
till the Germans had to leave.

10
00:00:29,130 --> 00:00:33,240
In fact, we were on the
train, the last train,

11
00:00:33,240 --> 00:00:35,886
that left the town.

12
00:00:35,886 --> 00:00:39,930
And some of my boys hid.

13
00:00:39,930 --> 00:00:46,300

And if they could hide out for
48 hours, the Russians came in

14
00:00:46,300 --> 00:00:49,080
and they occupied that part.

15
00:00:49,080 --> 00:00:50,710
We were the last train to leave.

16
00:00:50,710 --> 00:00:51,490
They got us out.

17
00:00:51,490 --> 00:00:53,380
How long were you
in this last camp?

18
00:00:53,380 --> 00:00:54,610
Over a year.

19
00:00:54,610 --> 00:00:56,470
Over year.

20
00:00:56,470 --> 00:00:58,690
Can you describe the year.

21
00:00:58,690 --> 00:01:01,810
In the camp.

22
00:01:01,810 --> 00:01:04,000
There were three shifts.

23
00:01:04,000 --> 00:01:04,780
I was lucky.

24
00:01:04,780 --> 00:01:06,820
I worked in the day shift.

25
00:01:06,820 --> 00:01:09,610
The food was terrible.

26
00:01:09,610 --> 00:01:12,760

They gave us 800
calories per day,

27
00:01:12,760 --> 00:01:14,350
just enough to keep you alive.

28
00:01:14,350 --> 00:01:20,080

29
00:01:20,080 --> 00:01:27,090
One episode which cannot
be forgotten in that camp.

30
00:01:27,090 --> 00:01:33,880
Our commander had a dog,
and one of the boys--

31
00:01:33,880 --> 00:01:37,150

32
00:01:37,150 --> 00:01:41,890
one of us-- took care of
the dog, a German shepherd.

33
00:01:41,890 --> 00:01:47,230
That German shepherd had a
booth, almost a small room,

34
00:01:47,230 --> 00:01:49,540
and he kept him
there. it was his dog.

35
00:01:49,540 --> 00:01:52,836
But that dog got better
food than we did.

36
00:01:52,836 --> 00:01:56,080
A pail full of good--

37
00:01:56,080 --> 00:01:59,290
they say a soup that
the spoon can stand in.

38

00:01:59,290 --> 00:02:03,800

He used to bring the
dog that kind of food.

39

00:02:03,800 --> 00:02:07,400

That fella, he's alive too.

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00:02:07,400 --> 00:02:10,460

Itzhak [? Zilverberg. ?]
He lives in Florida now.

41

00:02:10,460 --> 00:02:12,920

And there's only a handful
of us that are alive.

42

00:02:12,920 --> 00:02:17,600

And we are still
in touch sometimes.

43

00:02:17,600 --> 00:02:21,440

And I made up with
him that he used

44

00:02:21,440 --> 00:02:24,200

to take the dog for a walk.

45

00:02:24,200 --> 00:02:28,250

And that time we had some
things in the factory

46

00:02:28,250 --> 00:02:31,470

that we had to go and
throw out the garbage.

47

00:02:31,470 --> 00:02:37,160

So the garbage disposal was
on the other side of the camp,

48

00:02:37,160 --> 00:02:41,230

and we had to go
by the dog's house.

49

00:02:41,230 --> 00:02:44,770

So throwing out the
garbage on our way back,

50

00:02:44,770 --> 00:02:49,000

we used to have always, in the
camps, like in anywhere else,

51

00:02:49,000 --> 00:02:51,490

you find your way to survive.

52

00:02:51,490 --> 00:02:55,795

We had some-- what do you
say-- the army that when

53

00:02:55,795 --> 00:02:58,228

you carry with you?

54

00:02:58,228 --> 00:02:59,200

Dog tags?

55

00:02:59,200 --> 00:03:00,280

No, no.

56

00:03:00,280 --> 00:03:01,250

Identification?

57

00:03:01,250 --> 00:03:01,870

No.

58

00:03:01,870 --> 00:03:03,700

When you eat from.

59

00:03:03,700 --> 00:03:04,750

Oh, a canteen.

60

00:03:04,750 --> 00:03:06,010

Canteen.

61

00:03:06,010 --> 00:03:06,820

We had ours.

62

00:03:06,820 --> 00:03:10,110

We found a couple.

63

00:03:10,110 --> 00:03:13,050

And while we throw out the
garbage, if you walked the dog,

64

00:03:13,050 --> 00:03:16,800

you jumped in, scooped up a
couple containers of food,

65

00:03:16,800 --> 00:03:20,280

put it into the garbage bag,
took it back into the factor--

66

00:03:20,280 --> 00:03:21,880

you never worked alone.

67

00:03:21,880 --> 00:03:25,920

You always walked with
three, four fellas.

68

00:03:25,920 --> 00:03:27,710

So one looked out
for the other one

69

00:03:27,710 --> 00:03:31,020

to make sure That
the SS don't show up.

70

00:03:31,020 --> 00:03:32,430

And it helped.

71

00:03:32,430 --> 00:03:36,080

It helped supplement my food.

72

00:03:36,080 --> 00:03:43,250

Another episode, the disposal
was also near the kitchen.

73

00:03:43,250 --> 00:03:49,780

One time, a truck

of potatoes arrived,

74

00:03:49,780 --> 00:03:52,550

and they dumped
it on the ground.

75

00:03:52,550 --> 00:03:55,230

76

00:03:55,230 --> 00:03:59,452

That's a very good occasion
to grab some potatoes.

77

00:03:59,452 --> 00:04:02,730

And we did it.

78

00:04:02,730 --> 00:04:06,180

Also with a few fellas,
I ask, what do you

79

00:04:06,180 --> 00:04:08,160

do with the potatoes--
raw potatoes?

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00:04:08,160 --> 00:04:13,820

In the factory, we
had a blacksmith.

81

00:04:13,820 --> 00:04:16,800

the blacksmith worked
with iron, with heat.

82

00:04:16,800 --> 00:04:23,310

And we also had, in
the yard, roofers

83

00:04:23,310 --> 00:04:25,980

what work with tar, also heat.

84

00:04:25,980 --> 00:04:28,050

So you always tried
to make out something

85

00:04:28,050 --> 00:04:30,520
that you work with something.

86

00:04:30,520 --> 00:04:32,120
So you split.

87

00:04:32,120 --> 00:04:35,340
You brought in a pail
of potatoes here.

88

00:04:35,340 --> 00:04:37,350
Bacon, let's split.

89

00:04:37,350 --> 00:04:38,250
You know?

90

00:04:38,250 --> 00:04:41,130
You never-- you
could not be selfish.

91

00:04:41,130 --> 00:04:44,190
You had to share it.

92

00:04:44,190 --> 00:04:45,450
I was caught one time.

93

00:04:45,450 --> 00:04:48,260

94

00:04:48,260 --> 00:04:49,810
And what happened?

95

00:04:49,810 --> 00:05:00,890
By the-- not just by
anybody, by the commandant.

96

00:05:00,890 --> 00:05:01,880
I didn't know.

97

00:05:01,880 --> 00:05:05,060
I was in the backyard

straightening out some 2x4s,

98

00:05:05,060 --> 00:05:07,400

all kind of steel things.

99

00:05:07,400 --> 00:05:11,450

Because I worked in that
kommando too, which we always

100

00:05:11,450 --> 00:05:14,720

work with the troops and then.

101

00:05:14,720 --> 00:05:20,100

So he sent us out
to do some work.

102

00:05:20,100 --> 00:05:22,400

I did not realize that--

103

00:05:22,400 --> 00:05:25,010

we knew where he
lives, but I did not

104

00:05:25,010 --> 00:05:27,440

know that he looked
at the window.

105

00:05:27,440 --> 00:05:33,140

And he looked, and he
saw me doing something.

106

00:05:33,140 --> 00:05:35,420

Many times when
something like this

107

00:05:35,420 --> 00:05:39,410

came, we got ourselves two,
three pairs of potatoes

108

00:05:39,410 --> 00:05:45,970

and we buried them so
later on we could survive.

109

00:05:45,970 --> 00:05:51,050

Somehow one time I
did not pay attention.

110

00:05:51,050 --> 00:05:56,125

And next thing I know I
hear, [SPEAKING GERMAN]..

111

00:05:56,125 --> 00:05:56,750

What you doing?

112

00:05:56,750 --> 00:05:58,530

What are you doing, yeah.

113

00:05:58,530 --> 00:06:00,080

And he was in the house.

114

00:06:00,080 --> 00:06:05,750

Before I knew, he is next to
me about three feet from me.

115

00:06:05,750 --> 00:06:08,840

And not only that I
have a pair of potatoes,

116

00:06:08,840 --> 00:06:12,140

I had them even in my pockets.

117

00:06:12,140 --> 00:06:17,210

But there were so
afraid to touch us

118

00:06:17,210 --> 00:06:20,120

that he stood three
feet away from me

119

00:06:20,120 --> 00:06:21,690

and asked me what I did.

120

00:06:21,690 --> 00:06:23,540

Yes, I said I'm here.

121

00:06:23,540 --> 00:06:28,040

My master sent me
out to do some work.

122

00:06:28,040 --> 00:06:30,050

Why was he afraid to touch you?

123

00:06:30,050 --> 00:06:32,030

Because we were unclean.

124

00:06:32,030 --> 00:06:35,750

You know, working clothes.

125

00:06:35,750 --> 00:06:40,280

We washed, we cleaned,
but for him to touch me

126

00:06:40,280 --> 00:06:44,030

it would be taboo.

127

00:06:44,030 --> 00:06:49,430

But the SS man, the one
that took care of us.

128

00:06:49,430 --> 00:06:51,350

Anyway, it took
about five minutes

129

00:06:51,350 --> 00:06:55,520

before the guy,
the SS man, came.

130

00:06:55,520 --> 00:06:57,750

But in the mean time, I
had enough time-- he says,

131

00:06:57,750 --> 00:06:59,150

what do you have in my pockets?

132

00:06:59,150 --> 00:07:03,735

And we always had garbage,
papers, and snot rags.

133
00:07:03,735 --> 00:07:05,210
In the mean time,
I pushed it out

134
00:07:05,210 --> 00:07:07,940
from my one pocket and
then the other pocket.

135
00:07:07,940 --> 00:07:10,820
By the time the SS man came,
he didn't find nothing on me.

136
00:07:10,820 --> 00:07:14,210

137
00:07:14,210 --> 00:07:17,150
He didn't find it.

138
00:07:17,150 --> 00:07:20,687
But he looked around and
he found the whole pail

139
00:07:20,687 --> 00:07:21,270
with potatoes.

140
00:07:21,270 --> 00:07:24,820

141
00:07:24,820 --> 00:07:27,830
what's that?

142
00:07:27,830 --> 00:07:28,400
Beats me.

143
00:07:28,400 --> 00:07:29,030
I don't know.

144
00:07:29,030 --> 00:07:31,540

145

00:07:31,540 --> 00:07:32,525
You sure?

146
00:07:32,525 --> 00:07:34,325
You see, I'm working here.

147
00:07:34,325 --> 00:07:36,985
This is the first time I see it.

148
00:07:36,985 --> 00:07:39,610
Because I could deny it because
there are other people working.

149
00:07:39,610 --> 00:07:42,490

150
00:07:42,490 --> 00:07:43,840
He took down my number.

151
00:07:43,840 --> 00:07:47,580

152
00:07:47,580 --> 00:07:56,540
And of course at
night they called me

153
00:07:56,540 --> 00:07:59,770
when we come home,
back home from work.

154
00:07:59,770 --> 00:08:03,580
12 hours was a shift, not eight.

155
00:08:03,580 --> 00:08:07,060
We came home, 2,000 people.

156
00:08:07,060 --> 00:08:09,430
And he calls me out.

157
00:08:09,430 --> 00:08:12,150
What was I doing there?

158

00:08:12,150 --> 00:08:14,110

I said working.

159

00:08:14,110 --> 00:08:15,860

He did not punish me.

160

00:08:15,860 --> 00:08:20,920

He just gave me a warning
that time, the commandant.

161

00:08:20,920 --> 00:08:21,580

I forgot.

162

00:08:21,580 --> 00:08:24,610

I have to go retrace back.

163

00:08:24,610 --> 00:08:26,860

Why didn't the SS
man do anything you?

164

00:08:26,860 --> 00:08:30,070

No the SS took down my
number and they called me

165

00:08:30,070 --> 00:08:34,059

out when a pail-- when
we came, they counted us

166

00:08:34,059 --> 00:08:37,775

out that anybody didn't escape.

167

00:08:37,775 --> 00:08:39,490

There was a count every day.

168

00:08:39,490 --> 00:08:40,179

Yes.

169

00:08:40,179 --> 00:08:40,449

Twice.

170

00:08:40,449 --> 00:08:40,949

A few times.

171
00:08:40,949 --> 00:08:45,340
In the morning and at night,
appell, when they count you.

172
00:08:45,340 --> 00:08:46,490
That was in the evening.

173
00:08:46,490 --> 00:08:49,570
Everybody was starved to death.

174
00:08:49,570 --> 00:08:52,900
Anyway, going
back, tracing back,

175
00:08:52,900 --> 00:08:55,195
after he took my number
down he went back

176
00:08:55,195 --> 00:08:57,580
and the SS man went away.

177
00:08:57,580 --> 00:09:00,880
I went back in the back
yard and took the whole pail

178
00:09:00,880 --> 00:09:03,550
of potatoes and hid it.

179
00:09:03,550 --> 00:09:04,840
I still need my potatoes.

180
00:09:04,840 --> 00:09:07,740
I want to eat.

181
00:09:07,740 --> 00:09:11,640
That SS guy came an
hour later after me,

182
00:09:11,640 --> 00:09:13,170
started looking

for the potatoes.

183

00:09:13,170 --> 00:09:15,390

He couldn't find them.

184

00:09:15,390 --> 00:09:17,350

And they don't give up.

185

00:09:17,350 --> 00:09:21,930

So they went after those poor
guys, the roofers working

186

00:09:21,930 --> 00:09:24,120

the other side of the yard.

187

00:09:24,120 --> 00:09:30,270

And he gave them a hard time,
but they didn't know anything.

188

00:09:30,270 --> 00:09:32,040

Anyway, I hide it.

189

00:09:32,040 --> 00:09:36,780

And I took-- the following
day, life goes on--

190

00:09:36,780 --> 00:09:38,640

a container full of potatoes.

191

00:09:38,640 --> 00:09:42,180

I want to go to the
guys, the roofers.

192

00:09:42,180 --> 00:09:44,040

Just get away from me.

193

00:09:44,040 --> 00:09:45,930

You almost got us into trouble.

194

00:09:45,930 --> 00:09:48,420

We stay away from us.

195

00:09:48,420 --> 00:09:50,490

I went inside the factory.

196

00:09:50,490 --> 00:09:59,230

And that time there
were a blacksmith.

197

00:09:59,230 --> 00:10:05,460

There were rations, civilian
rations, also taken to camps.

198

00:10:05,460 --> 00:10:12,900

But they lived out the camp and
worked in the blacksmith work.

199

00:10:12,900 --> 00:10:14,520

Whatever they [INAUDIBLE].

200

00:10:14,520 --> 00:10:17,520

And I asked the guy, would
he let me put in my canteen

201

00:10:17,520 --> 00:10:19,350

and cook up some potatoes.

202

00:10:19,350 --> 00:10:20,220

He says, why not?

203

00:10:20,220 --> 00:10:20,730

Go ahead.

204

00:10:20,730 --> 00:10:23,370

205

00:10:23,370 --> 00:10:26,550

But it has to take
15, 20 minutes.

206

00:10:26,550 --> 00:10:27,960

I was a little negligent.

207

00:10:27,960 --> 00:10:30,610

Before I look around, I
look in the back of me,

208

00:10:30,610 --> 00:10:33,960

and guess who is in the front
and back of me, front of me,

209

00:10:33,960 --> 00:10:35,070

there is the SS man.

210

00:10:35,070 --> 00:10:38,420

211

00:10:38,420 --> 00:10:41,210

He did not recognize me.

212

00:10:41,210 --> 00:10:43,400

He took, of course,
the potatoes away.

213

00:10:43,400 --> 00:10:44,450

He did not recognize you.

214

00:10:44,450 --> 00:10:46,175

The same man that confronted
you that day before.

215

00:10:46,175 --> 00:10:46,400

No.

216

00:10:46,400 --> 00:10:48,110

Because if he would
have recognized me,

217

00:10:48,110 --> 00:10:50,881

he would have killed
me right on the spot.

218

00:10:50,881 --> 00:10:53,710

219

00:10:53,710 --> 00:10:54,490
And of course--

220
00:10:54,490 --> 00:10:56,290
Why do you think he
didn't recognize you?

221
00:10:56,290 --> 00:10:57,400
I don't know.

222
00:10:57,400 --> 00:11:00,650
Maybe only he spoke to
me for a couple minutes.

223
00:11:00,650 --> 00:11:02,620
All he did is took
down the number,

224
00:11:02,620 --> 00:11:06,670
because the
commandant was there.

225
00:11:06,670 --> 00:11:10,930
And I am called out again.

226
00:11:10,930 --> 00:11:15,040
When I'm called out again, the
commandant did recognize me.

227
00:11:15,040 --> 00:11:18,280

228
00:11:18,280 --> 00:11:20,410
Now, what's this?

229
00:11:20,410 --> 00:11:25,210
So I told him, listen, you
found the potatoes yesterday.

230
00:11:25,210 --> 00:11:27,640
I took them and I cooked them.

231

00:11:27,640 --> 00:11:29,050
Why?

232
00:11:29,050 --> 00:11:31,840
Because I was hungry.

233
00:11:31,840 --> 00:11:33,280
What?

234
00:11:33,280 --> 00:11:36,040
On the top of his lung--

235
00:11:36,040 --> 00:11:41,230
is there anybody up
there that's hungry?

236
00:11:41,230 --> 00:11:46,760
Over 2,000 people, starving
to death, not a whisper.

237
00:11:46,760 --> 00:11:49,090
He says, look at your comrades.

238
00:11:49,090 --> 00:11:51,400
Nobody's hungry but you.

239
00:11:51,400 --> 00:11:52,600
I said yes, sir.

240
00:11:52,600 --> 00:11:55,270
I was hungry.

241
00:11:55,270 --> 00:11:56,710
Then he gave me a punishment.

242
00:11:56,710 --> 00:12:02,140
He told the blockälteste to
give me half an hour punishment.

243
00:12:02,140 --> 00:12:06,880
But there was a
little comedy in it.

244

00:12:06,880 --> 00:12:13,660
Somehow one of the block leaders
recognized the cooking utensil,

245

00:12:13,660 --> 00:12:22,360
the canteen, that belonged
to a French Jewish fellow.

246

00:12:22,360 --> 00:12:23,860
His name was Finkelstein.

247

00:12:23,860 --> 00:12:25,960
I'll never forget it.

248

00:12:25,960 --> 00:12:28,750
And he was called almost daily.

249

00:12:28,750 --> 00:12:31,630
He was a thief.

250

00:12:31,630 --> 00:12:35,140
He was known in camp as a thief.

251

00:12:35,140 --> 00:12:37,880
And where did I get
that cooking utensil?

252

00:12:37,880 --> 00:12:40,600

253

00:12:40,600 --> 00:12:44,140
I found it in the garbage.

254

00:12:44,140 --> 00:12:46,360
And you go through the
garbage to find something,

255

00:12:46,360 --> 00:12:48,400
and it was perfect
to cook something in.

256

00:12:48,400 --> 00:12:51,050

257

00:12:51,050 --> 00:12:58,610

And one of the elite block
leaders says to the commandant,

258

00:12:58,610 --> 00:13:00,890

do you know something?

259

00:13:00,890 --> 00:13:04,250

That cooking utensil
belongs to Finkelstein.

260

00:13:04,250 --> 00:13:06,940

261

00:13:06,940 --> 00:13:09,310

He got a smile [INAUDIBLE].

262

00:13:09,310 --> 00:13:12,090

Calls up Finkelstein--
Finkelstein, come here.

263

00:13:12,090 --> 00:13:15,600

264

00:13:15,600 --> 00:13:17,640

Is this your cooking utensil?

265

00:13:17,640 --> 00:13:20,220

He says, yes.

266

00:13:20,220 --> 00:13:24,370

Could you tell me
how it got to him?

267

00:13:24,370 --> 00:13:28,260

And that's where it was my luck.

268

00:13:28,260 --> 00:13:31,320

He said, he stole it from me.

269

00:13:31,320 --> 00:13:33,870

And that was my
luck, because I was

270

00:13:33,870 --> 00:13:38,520

prepared of getting at
least 25 on my bare.

271

00:13:38,520 --> 00:13:39,510

That helped me.

272

00:13:39,510 --> 00:13:42,300

That's why he only gave me
a half an hour punishment.

273

00:13:42,300 --> 00:13:46,470

Stay on your tip-toes in
the morning for half an hour

274

00:13:46,470 --> 00:13:49,680

straight and your
hand on your toes,

275

00:13:49,680 --> 00:13:52,600

sitting position,
staying like this.

276

00:13:52,600 --> 00:13:53,940

You were able to do that?

277

00:13:53,940 --> 00:13:54,540

Yes.

278

00:13:54,540 --> 00:13:58,350

But my block leader
was not a bad guy.

279

00:13:58,350 --> 00:14:00,150

So--

280

00:14:00,150 --> 00:14:02,270
How much did you weigh?

281
00:14:02,270 --> 00:14:03,770
Do you have any idea?

282
00:14:03,770 --> 00:14:06,730

283
00:14:06,730 --> 00:14:11,830
When I was liberated,
I weighed 65.

284
00:14:11,830 --> 00:14:17,470
But I still kept my
weight somewhere.

285
00:14:17,470 --> 00:14:24,430
I weighed 125, 130 pounds
when we left Pruskow.

286
00:14:24,430 --> 00:14:27,310
And I kept up my strength.

287
00:14:27,310 --> 00:14:34,210
Because I found out, any way
you can, you have to survive.

288
00:14:34,210 --> 00:14:37,870
Survival of the fittest
is the word in English.

289
00:14:37,870 --> 00:14:40,360
I became a thief.

290
00:14:40,360 --> 00:14:41,740
I don't care what you call it.

291
00:14:41,740 --> 00:14:43,880
I wanted to survive.

292
00:14:43,880 --> 00:14:45,910

And the only way to
survive is to eat.

293
00:14:45,910 --> 00:14:49,640

294
00:14:49,640 --> 00:14:52,940
And I survived.

295
00:14:52,940 --> 00:14:55,400
And from that camp--

296
00:14:55,400 --> 00:14:59,340
and that's how I
survived in that camp.

297
00:14:59,340 --> 00:15:01,650
And from there--

298
00:15:01,650 --> 00:15:04,140
During the year that
you're in the camp,

299
00:15:04,140 --> 00:15:06,265
were there any discussions?

300
00:15:06,265 --> 00:15:07,890
Did you have close
friends in the camp?

301
00:15:07,890 --> 00:15:08,940
Were there any kind of--

302
00:15:08,940 --> 00:15:09,810
No.

303
00:15:09,810 --> 00:15:14,040
You never make any close
friendship with any of them,

304
00:15:14,040 --> 00:15:15,840
because there was no time.

305

00:15:15,840 --> 00:15:18,870

And the time that you had,
that little time that you had,

306

00:15:18,870 --> 00:15:20,610

you felt sorry for yourself.

307

00:15:20,610 --> 00:15:24,030

You didn't even have time
to feel sorry for yourself

308

00:15:24,030 --> 00:15:26,970

to begin with when you lost
your parents, because you

309

00:15:26,970 --> 00:15:27,720

were hungry.

310

00:15:27,720 --> 00:15:32,440

All you were thinking about,
the food that you don't have.

311

00:15:32,440 --> 00:15:35,880

There is another episode
that happened in that camp.

312

00:15:35,880 --> 00:15:37,842

We were mixed.

313

00:15:37,842 --> 00:15:41,940

Mixed means all the races.

314

00:15:41,940 --> 00:15:47,280

Russians, Polacks,
Frenchmen, Dutch--

315

00:15:47,280 --> 00:15:48,370

Jews and non-Jews.

316

00:15:48,370 --> 00:15:49,260

And of course Jews.

317
00:15:49,260 --> 00:15:52,140
I'm talking non-Jews and Jews.

318
00:15:52,140 --> 00:15:55,860
What happened is
one fella escaped.

319
00:15:55,860 --> 00:15:58,940

320
00:15:58,940 --> 00:16:00,200
They caught him.

321
00:16:00,200 --> 00:16:03,800
Within a couple of days,
they brought them back.

322
00:16:03,800 --> 00:16:08,990
And this was the first time
I ever saw an execution.

323
00:16:08,990 --> 00:16:11,660
They brought them back.

324
00:16:11,660 --> 00:16:13,550
They made a gallows.

325
00:16:13,550 --> 00:16:17,900
And they brought the boat
shifts, day and night,

326
00:16:17,900 --> 00:16:23,990
put us in a circle, and
they read his trial,

327
00:16:23,990 --> 00:16:27,770
where it came from and for
what reason they hanging him.

328
00:16:27,770 --> 00:16:34,590
And everybody had to watch their

verdict and for what reason.

329

00:16:34,590 --> 00:16:38,240

But he was considered a non-Jew.

330

00:16:38,240 --> 00:16:41,470

I don't remember-- he
was a Russian or Polack.

331

00:16:41,470 --> 00:16:43,280

I don't remember.

332

00:16:43,280 --> 00:16:48,050

The following day, new
orders came from Auschwitz.

333

00:16:48,050 --> 00:16:52,190

Every non-Jew, everybody
that is not a Jew,

334

00:16:52,190 --> 00:16:56,815

has to be sent back to Auschwitz
or wherever, out of the camp.

335

00:16:56,815 --> 00:16:58,190

Out of the camp
that you were in.

336

00:16:58,190 --> 00:16:59,480

Where we were in.

337

00:16:59,480 --> 00:17:01,430

Only Jews remained.

338

00:17:01,430 --> 00:17:04,369

And there were many,
especially some Russians.

339

00:17:04,369 --> 00:17:08,060

Which when they are born,
they are being circumcised.

340

00:17:08,060 --> 00:17:11,478

The moment you were circumcised,
you were considered a Jew,

341

00:17:11,478 --> 00:17:12,770

and they were left in the camp.

342

00:17:12,770 --> 00:17:16,569

343

00:17:16,569 --> 00:17:21,010

And that is another episode.

344

00:17:21,010 --> 00:17:22,450

And--

345

00:17:22,450 --> 00:17:25,030

Do you remember

what month that was?

346

00:17:25,030 --> 00:17:30,820

This was in '43 going on '44.

347

00:17:30,820 --> 00:17:36,796

No, this is going in the
middle of '44 already.

348

00:17:36,796 --> 00:17:41,410

We knew it, because

when we left that camp,

349

00:17:41,410 --> 00:17:47,230

we knew that the war is

getting bad for the Germans,

350

00:17:47,230 --> 00:17:50,560

because they had to evacuate

us, as I said before.

351

00:17:50,560 --> 00:17:51,300

OK.

352

00:17:51,300 --> 00:17:53,300
The month when you were
evacuated from the camp,

353
00:17:53,300 --> 00:17:54,460
you don't remember.

354
00:17:54,460 --> 00:17:57,800
You say it was mid--

355
00:17:57,800 --> 00:18:00,610
It was going '44.

356
00:18:00,610 --> 00:18:02,650
It was winter.

357
00:18:02,650 --> 00:18:03,910
Winter '44.

358
00:18:03,910 --> 00:18:05,620
I know that exclusive.

359
00:18:05,620 --> 00:18:06,730
I know very well.

360
00:18:06,730 --> 00:18:08,170
November 1944.

361
00:18:08,170 --> 00:18:10,150
Yes.

362
00:18:10,150 --> 00:18:10,960
We do.

363
00:18:10,960 --> 00:18:19,120
And they were transporting us in
trains of about 20 in a train,

364
00:18:19,120 --> 00:18:23,200
in a car, instead of 100 the
way we came to Auschwitz, where

365

00:18:23,200 --> 00:18:26,650
we came 100-150 in a cattle.

366

00:18:26,650 --> 00:18:32,380
Here, they give us
passenger cars but unheated.

367

00:18:32,380 --> 00:18:36,460
And they transported us
for a week or maybe longer.

368

00:18:36,460 --> 00:18:43,210
And they send us to
Mauthausen Austria.

369

00:18:43,210 --> 00:18:52,530
By the time we arrived in that
camp, half of us were frozen--

370

00:18:52,530 --> 00:18:57,390
froze to death,
unheated things--

371

00:18:57,390 --> 00:18:58,510
unheated cars.

372

00:18:58,510 --> 00:19:01,330

373

00:19:01,330 --> 00:19:03,100
How many people-- do
you have any idea--

374

00:19:03,100 --> 00:19:06,520
were in this transport
to Mauthausen?

375

00:19:06,520 --> 00:19:09,310
That camp held at
least 2,000 people.

376

00:19:09,310 --> 00:19:11,500

But from your camp, where
you were coming from?

377
00:19:11,500 --> 00:19:12,650
[BOTH TALKING]

378
00:19:12,650 --> 00:19:15,930
But you went directly
to Mauthausen, correct?

379
00:19:15,930 --> 00:19:17,405
Yes.

380
00:19:17,405 --> 00:19:19,780
I'm just wondering how many
people went with you directly

381
00:19:19,780 --> 00:19:21,810
to Mauthausen in the transport.

382
00:19:21,810 --> 00:19:24,680
That camp-- the whole
camp was evacuated.

383
00:19:24,680 --> 00:19:25,180
Right.

384
00:19:25,180 --> 00:19:25,780
The whole--

385
00:19:25,780 --> 00:19:28,780
But only-- you had
mentioned before

386
00:19:28,780 --> 00:19:31,700
that the non-Jews already had
been taken out of the camp.

387
00:19:31,700 --> 00:19:32,200
Yeah.

388
00:19:32,200 --> 00:19:34,270

But so they brought
some more people in.

389
00:19:34,270 --> 00:19:37,210
There were French Jews French--

390
00:19:37,210 --> 00:19:39,670
they brought in Hungarian Jews.

391
00:19:39,670 --> 00:19:41,530
Hungarian Jews were the--

392
00:19:41,530 --> 00:19:42,670
I wouldn't say the worst.

393
00:19:42,670 --> 00:19:45,280
The worst, they
want to survive--

394
00:19:45,280 --> 00:19:46,570
for survival purposes.

395
00:19:46,570 --> 00:19:49,210

396
00:19:49,210 --> 00:19:50,340
By the time they came--

397
00:19:50,340 --> 00:19:53,680
You mentioned
Auschwitz a second ago.

398
00:19:53,680 --> 00:19:55,570
You were not in Auschwitz.

399
00:19:55,570 --> 00:19:58,070
Birkenau was part of Auschwitz.

400
00:19:58,070 --> 00:20:00,470
OK.

401

00:20:00,470 --> 00:20:01,180
You see.

402
00:20:01,180 --> 00:20:04,100
We did not go into the other
part because they sent us away.

403
00:20:04,100 --> 00:20:05,920
Right.

404
00:20:05,920 --> 00:20:12,580
Now, the Hungarian Jews were--

405
00:20:12,580 --> 00:20:20,290
in Poland they choked us
systematically, I mean slowly.

406
00:20:20,290 --> 00:20:23,440
They did not pull
that noose up tight.

407
00:20:23,440 --> 00:20:27,490
Whereby in Hungary
and in France,

408
00:20:27,490 --> 00:20:30,100
they put the nose on
your neck and they

409
00:20:30,100 --> 00:20:33,730
tightened it very fast.

410
00:20:33,730 --> 00:20:36,460
Like, for instance,
the Germans did not

411
00:20:36,460 --> 00:20:41,410
go bad very strong with their
Hungarians up till 1944,

412
00:20:41,410 --> 00:20:43,780
where I was already
almost four years.

413
00:20:43,780 --> 00:20:45,790
I was already a
veteran of the camps.

414
00:20:45,790 --> 00:20:48,460

415
00:20:48,460 --> 00:20:58,060
So when we got mixed up with the
Hungarian Jews, in our opinion

416
00:20:58,060 --> 00:21:02,340
they became the
animals compared to us.

417
00:21:02,340 --> 00:21:04,320
And I'll explain.

418
00:21:04,320 --> 00:21:06,660
We were used to the hunger.

419
00:21:06,660 --> 00:21:10,350
We took that 4 ounces
of bread, and the soup,

420
00:21:10,350 --> 00:21:13,620
and the 800 calories--
we had to live with it.

421
00:21:13,620 --> 00:21:17,820
Where they couldn't-- they
didn't get accustomed to that

422
00:21:17,820 --> 00:21:19,050
hunger.

423
00:21:19,050 --> 00:21:23,130
So they were twice, three
times as starved as us.

424
00:21:23,130 --> 00:21:29,340

And sometimes they just wanted
to see how much animals we are.

425
00:21:29,340 --> 00:21:32,370
They used to call out seconds.

426
00:21:32,370 --> 00:21:36,840
Seconds-- you had to
line up in a line.

427
00:21:36,840 --> 00:21:39,300
The Hungarians became animals.

428
00:21:39,300 --> 00:21:43,080
They jumped around
the pot or whatever

429
00:21:43,080 --> 00:21:44,490
it was dished out with.

430
00:21:44,490 --> 00:21:46,110
What happened is this--

431
00:21:46,110 --> 00:21:48,630
they just went wild.

432
00:21:48,630 --> 00:21:51,090
With that [INAUDIBLE]
with those things.

433
00:21:51,090 --> 00:21:52,470
They had the rubber things.

434
00:21:52,470 --> 00:21:55,380
They just went straight
over everybody.

435
00:21:55,380 --> 00:21:58,980
And that's when many times I
got hit for no apparent reason.

436
00:21:58,980 --> 00:22:02,362

Because I never volunteered
or never ran for seconds.

437
00:22:02,362 --> 00:22:04,320
Because I knew nothing
good can come out of it.

438
00:22:04,320 --> 00:22:07,780
So you have to do the best we
can with whatever you have.

439
00:22:07,780 --> 00:22:13,350
If you get hit and you hurt
yourself, you go on roll call

440
00:22:13,350 --> 00:22:14,280
to the doctor.

441
00:22:14,280 --> 00:22:15,120
You'll never return.

442
00:22:15,120 --> 00:22:17,830

443
00:22:17,830 --> 00:22:19,370
Never return.

444
00:22:19,370 --> 00:22:20,855
So you had to stay
healthy-- alive.

445
00:22:20,855 --> 00:22:25,180

446
00:22:25,180 --> 00:22:27,190
So that's another episode.

447
00:22:27,190 --> 00:22:31,000
On the transfer to
Mauthausen, you say about half

448
00:22:31,000 --> 00:22:35,170

of the people who were with
you in the camp froze to death.

449
00:22:35,170 --> 00:22:37,240
They froze not to death.

450
00:22:37,240 --> 00:22:38,500
They froze.

451
00:22:38,500 --> 00:22:45,160
When we arrived in Mauthausen,
they put us under hot water,

452
00:22:45,160 --> 00:22:48,010
give us showers to clean up.

453
00:22:48,010 --> 00:22:52,330
I remembered something
when I was a child,

454
00:22:52,330 --> 00:22:54,530
and I put a pinch--

455
00:22:54,530 --> 00:22:57,400
we actually didn't have showers.

456
00:22:57,400 --> 00:23:00,910
They gave us fountains,
big fountains,

457
00:23:00,910 --> 00:23:02,470
and water came out from them.

458
00:23:02,470 --> 00:23:04,960
And there were about 20
people to each fountain--

459
00:23:04,960 --> 00:23:06,280
the water came out.

460
00:23:06,280 --> 00:23:09,400
And I put-- the first thing

your feet were frozen--

461

00:23:09,400 --> 00:23:12,190

a pinch of water
my big toe, and it

462

00:23:12,190 --> 00:23:14,980

hurts me till the day of today.

463

00:23:14,980 --> 00:23:19,480

And you never hot
water on frozen things.

464

00:23:19,480 --> 00:23:24,790

But I was a baby, but I grew
up with my own understanding.

465

00:23:24,790 --> 00:23:29,920

And I closed the hot water and
I poured cold water on my feet.

466

00:23:29,920 --> 00:23:32,710

And that saved my life.

467

00:23:32,710 --> 00:23:34,690

The other people were all--

468

00:23:34,690 --> 00:23:36,790

people-- were young kids.

469

00:23:36,790 --> 00:23:37,780

They didn't know.

470

00:23:37,780 --> 00:23:41,290

They were cold and they went and
they poured hot water on them.

471

00:23:41,290 --> 00:23:44,020

That's when the
problems started.

472

00:23:44,020 --> 00:23:46,280

They got the gangreen
and all that thing.

473
00:23:46,280 --> 00:23:48,250
That's why I said
half of them died.

474
00:23:48,250 --> 00:23:50,335
Because they sent
them out from camp,

475
00:23:50,335 --> 00:23:51,752
that's the last
you heard of them.

476
00:23:51,752 --> 00:23:54,590

477
00:23:54,590 --> 00:23:56,180
How long were you in Mauthausen?

478
00:23:56,180 --> 00:23:58,970
Another transition period.

479
00:23:58,970 --> 00:24:01,590
And from there, they send us--

480
00:24:01,590 --> 00:24:02,090
How long?

481
00:24:02,090 --> 00:24:03,170
You said another trip.

482
00:24:03,170 --> 00:24:03,890
A few weeks?

483
00:24:03,890 --> 00:24:05,270
A few weeks.

484
00:24:05,270 --> 00:24:08,060
Again, because we were
considered workers.

485
00:24:08,060 --> 00:24:08,610
Right.

486
00:24:08,610 --> 00:24:10,490
And you said you had some
feeling that the war was

487
00:24:10,490 --> 00:24:11,300
coming to an end.

488
00:24:11,300 --> 00:24:13,070
Sure, because we knew it.

489
00:24:13,070 --> 00:24:13,820
We knew it.

490
00:24:13,820 --> 00:24:16,250
How did you know?

491
00:24:16,250 --> 00:24:19,490
Sometimes somebody smuggled
in a piece of paper.

492
00:24:19,490 --> 00:24:22,430
But how and where
were not interested.

493
00:24:22,430 --> 00:24:24,320
Because yes, we knew it.

494
00:24:24,320 --> 00:24:29,030
Because the next camp, where
I'm going to come to, was near

495
00:24:29,030 --> 00:24:30,221
DÃ¼sseldorf.

496
00:24:30,221 --> 00:24:32,630
They put us on another
train and they took us

497

00:24:32,630 --> 00:24:35,240
to another factory.

498

00:24:35,240 --> 00:24:39,980
And that day we arrived
in January of '45.

499

00:24:39,980 --> 00:24:43,535
And in that factory, another
factory for the German factory.

500

00:24:43,535 --> 00:24:48,250

501

00:24:48,250 --> 00:24:50,770
They in that factory where
specialists are already.

502

00:24:50,770 --> 00:24:55,990
There were Frenchmen,
Jews and non-Jews,

503

00:24:55,990 --> 00:25:05,050
and there were German
political prisoners.

504

00:25:05,050 --> 00:25:07,420
And the only one we could--

505

00:25:07,420 --> 00:25:09,640
the long language
we could communicate

506

00:25:09,640 --> 00:25:14,680
is German, because
everybody else was from--

507

00:25:14,680 --> 00:25:16,510
my department was
six, seven people

508

00:25:16,510 --> 00:25:18,640

from six different countries.

509

00:25:18,640 --> 00:25:23,170

German was the only language
that we all understood.

510

00:25:23,170 --> 00:25:29,825

And there we spent almost to
the week when DÃ¼sseldorf was

511

00:25:29,825 --> 00:25:30,325

bombed.

512

00:25:30,325 --> 00:25:33,050

513

00:25:33,050 --> 00:25:34,038

DÃ¼sseldorf.

514

00:25:34,038 --> 00:25:47,870

515

00:25:47,870 --> 00:25:48,990

Oh, I forgot.

516

00:25:48,990 --> 00:25:54,800

517

00:25:54,800 --> 00:25:56,522

And from there to
Theresienstadt.

518

00:25:56,522 --> 00:26:08,810

519

00:26:08,810 --> 00:26:10,400

Maybe it will come back to me.

520

00:26:10,400 --> 00:26:11,250

I just--

521

00:26:11,250 --> 00:26:13,280
You mentioned
Theresienstadt just now.

522
00:26:13,280 --> 00:26:16,430
Theresienstadt was the last
one where I was liberated.

523
00:26:16,430 --> 00:26:24,740

524
00:26:24,740 --> 00:26:26,930
Terezin.

525
00:26:26,930 --> 00:26:30,180
Terezin, that's where it was.

526
00:26:30,180 --> 00:26:33,830
It was a suburb of Terezin.

527
00:26:33,830 --> 00:26:36,230
And they were bombing.

528
00:26:36,230 --> 00:26:46,700
In fact, every time there
came through the sirens,

529
00:26:46,700 --> 00:26:50,210
they, the Germans,
went into the bunkers.

530
00:26:50,210 --> 00:26:54,050
And with us they
left in the factory.

531
00:26:54,050 --> 00:26:55,490
And we made the bunkers.

532
00:26:55,490 --> 00:26:57,350
We dig the holes for them.

533
00:26:57,350 --> 00:27:02,190

But we were left in the factory,
and they went to hiding.

534
00:27:02,190 --> 00:27:08,090
So we knew that the end
was closer and closer.

535
00:27:08,090 --> 00:27:10,130
And there we spent--

536
00:27:10,130 --> 00:27:13,130
it was the last four-five
months where we spent.

537
00:27:13,130 --> 00:27:14,494
And even there--

538
00:27:14,494 --> 00:27:18,710
So that's from January 1945
through February, March, April,

539
00:27:18,710 --> 00:27:19,820
May.

540
00:27:19,820 --> 00:27:21,680
So at the end of April--

541
00:27:21,680 --> 00:27:22,760
End of April.

542
00:27:22,760 --> 00:27:25,170
-- in that camp.

543
00:27:25,170 --> 00:27:26,920
How many people were
in the camp with you?

544
00:27:26,920 --> 00:27:30,423

545
00:27:30,423 --> 00:27:31,090
Several hundred.

546
00:27:31,090 --> 00:27:34,260
Close to 1,000.

547
00:27:34,260 --> 00:27:38,190
And there, again, food
was the biggest problem.

548
00:27:38,190 --> 00:27:45,570
Somehow people got a hold
of salt. And what they did,

549
00:27:45,570 --> 00:27:49,200
they mixed it with
water, and they drank it.

550
00:27:49,200 --> 00:27:50,700
What happened?

551
00:27:50,700 --> 00:27:53,200
They swelled.

552
00:27:53,200 --> 00:27:55,000
I didn't.

553
00:27:55,000 --> 00:27:57,565
I took a pinch to
put in my food.

554
00:27:57,565 --> 00:28:00,120

555
00:28:00,120 --> 00:28:01,685
I didn't do it.

556
00:28:01,685 --> 00:28:04,680
It saved my life again.

557
00:28:04,680 --> 00:28:13,190
Going back to Mauthausen.

558

00:28:13,190 --> 00:28:15,370
In Mauthausen,
they somehow tried

559
00:28:15,370 --> 00:28:19,180
to kill us down there
while we were waiting.

560
00:28:19,180 --> 00:28:23,560
They gave us the
portion of bread

561
00:28:23,560 --> 00:28:30,010
with a square ounce
of artificial,

562
00:28:30,010 --> 00:28:35,455
some kind of grease to put on
the bread, very, very salty.

563
00:28:35,455 --> 00:28:38,420

564
00:28:38,420 --> 00:28:42,800
When you finished,
you were so starved,

565
00:28:42,800 --> 00:28:45,890
you're so thirsty,
and coffee, or what's

566
00:28:45,890 --> 00:28:52,070
supposed to be dirt water,
they gave you 3 ounces.

567
00:28:52,070 --> 00:28:56,330
So what you had to
do was go for water.

568
00:28:56,330 --> 00:29:01,010
The first time I, went
I had a couple sips,

569

00:29:01,010 --> 00:29:03,330
and I didn't feel good.

570
00:29:03,330 --> 00:29:06,770
So I'm not going to
drink that water again.

571
00:29:06,770 --> 00:29:10,880
From my group, about a
third of the people that

572
00:29:10,880 --> 00:29:13,250
drank that water-- that
water was poisoned.

573
00:29:13,250 --> 00:29:15,900
I don't know with what.

574
00:29:15,900 --> 00:29:17,565
You got the diarrhea.

575
00:29:17,565 --> 00:29:18,940
And the moment
you got diarrhea--

576
00:29:18,940 --> 00:29:20,490
the people were still alive.

577
00:29:20,490 --> 00:29:22,860
When they came to the appell,
and when they counted,

578
00:29:22,860 --> 00:29:25,200
they counted them as dead.

579
00:29:25,200 --> 00:29:26,130
And now we heard--

580
00:29:26,130 --> 00:29:28,390
I didn't see it personally--

581
00:29:28,390 --> 00:29:31,930

they had big drums--
there were no doctors--

582
00:29:31,930 --> 00:29:36,790
they drowned them
and throw them away.

583
00:29:36,790 --> 00:29:38,920
And I survived again by my wits.

584
00:29:38,920 --> 00:29:42,100
I did not-- that water
didn't taste good to me.

585
00:29:42,100 --> 00:29:46,990
I'd rather I was
thirsty and alive.

586
00:29:46,990 --> 00:29:49,990
Another episode.

587
00:29:49,990 --> 00:29:59,970
And in that camp, we
were the [? salt. ?]

588
00:29:59,970 --> 00:30:01,830
They did not send you away.

589
00:30:01,830 --> 00:30:03,150
When they put you on--

590
00:30:03,150 --> 00:30:08,070
when you reported sick,
they send you outside

591
00:30:08,070 --> 00:30:10,230
to dig trenches for the Germans.

592
00:30:10,230 --> 00:30:13,020
It was 10 times as hard
workers as in the factory.

593

00:30:13,020 --> 00:30:15,810

In the factory at least
you stay in a place,

594

00:30:15,810 --> 00:30:18,780

and you do whatever you can.

595

00:30:18,780 --> 00:30:30,200

Then it came that early night,
where we saw the town burning.

596

00:30:30,200 --> 00:30:33,540

And so they took us around--

597

00:30:33,540 --> 00:30:35,940

The town of Terezin?

598

00:30:35,940 --> 00:30:37,292

Which town?

599

00:30:37,292 --> 00:30:41,200

Terezin No, Terezin
was in the foreground.

600

00:30:41,200 --> 00:30:45,180

We were in the suburbs
somewhere in a factory.

601

00:30:45,180 --> 00:30:49,050

And they told us to congregate.

602

00:30:49,050 --> 00:30:50,860

We're going to go.

603

00:30:50,860 --> 00:30:52,860

No trucks, no more nothing.

604

00:30:52,860 --> 00:30:55,170

Just a dead march.

605

00:30:55,170 --> 00:30:58,570

And we walked out.

606
00:30:58,570 --> 00:31:02,310
But one thing they did,
they took away our shoes.

607
00:31:02,310 --> 00:31:04,245
And they gave us Holland shoes--

608
00:31:04,245 --> 00:31:05,440
you know, those wooden.

609
00:31:05,440 --> 00:31:07,570
Wooden shoes.

610
00:31:07,570 --> 00:31:12,870
And again, I put them
on for about 10 seconds,

611
00:31:12,870 --> 00:31:15,030
and I didn't feel
comfortable in them.

612
00:31:15,030 --> 00:31:17,430
And I, again, am a farm boy.

613
00:31:17,430 --> 00:31:19,920
Because we did have
[INAUDIBLE],, and I

614
00:31:19,920 --> 00:31:22,470
knew how to walk barefoot.

615
00:31:22,470 --> 00:31:25,110
And we always have rags with us.

616
00:31:25,110 --> 00:31:28,820
I went and I wrapped
around my feet with rags.

617
00:31:28,820 --> 00:31:35,480
And I found a stick,
and I walked barefoot.

618
00:31:35,480 --> 00:31:37,520
What happened?

619
00:31:37,520 --> 00:31:39,110
We walked for about a week.

620
00:31:39,110 --> 00:31:43,190
We walked actually in from
there into Czechoslovakia,

621
00:31:43,190 --> 00:31:45,500
to Theresienstadt.

622
00:31:45,500 --> 00:31:47,460
But we go into
Theresienstadt directly.

623
00:31:47,460 --> 00:31:49,190
We went into a
holding camp, I don't

624
00:31:49,190 --> 00:31:53,300
know, about five kilometers
from Theresienstadt.

625
00:31:53,300 --> 00:31:57,590
And on that march,
half the people--

626
00:31:57,590 --> 00:31:58,590
[INAUDIBLE] [? shoot ?].

627
00:31:58,590 --> 00:32:00,410
This was the worst
thing where they did.

628
00:32:00,410 --> 00:32:02,690
People did not realize.

629
00:32:02,690 --> 00:32:07,810
The heavyset people,

they fell like flies.

630
00:32:07,810 --> 00:32:08,527
I was skinny.

631
00:32:08,527 --> 00:32:09,360
I was always little.

632
00:32:09,360 --> 00:32:12,170
I never grew up big.

633
00:32:12,170 --> 00:32:14,330
So they left me alone.

634
00:32:14,330 --> 00:32:25,540
And we arrived in that
holding camp about half.

635
00:32:25,540 --> 00:32:27,750
They did give us
something to eat.

636
00:32:27,750 --> 00:32:33,510
There I saw bunkers
eight floors high.

637
00:32:33,510 --> 00:32:35,730
And within 24 hours--

638
00:32:35,730 --> 00:32:37,925
Again, in Theresienstadt
itself or just outside.

639
00:32:37,925 --> 00:32:38,425
No, no, no.

640
00:32:38,425 --> 00:32:39,720
It's outside.

641
00:32:39,720 --> 00:32:41,070
Outside Theresienstadt.

642

00:32:41,070 --> 00:32:43,950

That was in
Czechoslovakia already.

643

00:32:43,950 --> 00:32:45,900

All of a sudden,
it's the first time,

644

00:32:45,900 --> 00:32:48,240

and I didn't hear
the word Juden, Jew,

645

00:32:48,240 --> 00:32:50,010

in a couple of years.

646

00:32:50,010 --> 00:32:53,940

All of a sudden,
Alle Juden raus!--

647

00:32:53,940 --> 00:32:55,050

"All Jews out!"

648

00:32:55,050 --> 00:33:00,380

649

00:33:00,380 --> 00:33:03,770

My life, you know--

650

00:33:03,770 --> 00:33:04,520

you lived through.

651

00:33:04,520 --> 00:33:09,740

You know it's only days
before the liberation.

652

00:33:09,740 --> 00:33:13,580

What's happening?

653

00:33:13,580 --> 00:33:20,420

And I walked out, put us in
a column, and marched us.

654

00:33:20,420 --> 00:33:26,400

And we marched the five
kilometers to Theresienstadt.

655

00:33:26,400 --> 00:33:29,700

We come to Theresienstadt,
we see a synagogue.

656

00:33:29,700 --> 00:33:32,670

We see Jews.

657

00:33:32,670 --> 00:33:34,620

We see people there.

658

00:33:34,620 --> 00:33:40,650

And that camp, that camp
was actually a ghetto.

659

00:33:40,650 --> 00:33:46,470

What the Germans did
is they took the German

660

00:33:46,470 --> 00:33:53,490

Jews, the old, the crippled,
and they wanted the world

661

00:33:53,490 --> 00:33:57,420

to see the goodness
what he did, that he

662

00:33:57,420 --> 00:34:03,130

left a ghetto with
crippled people alive.

663

00:34:03,130 --> 00:34:06,930

Honestly, I saw the where I was.

664

00:34:06,930 --> 00:34:08,820

You know something?

665

00:34:08,820 --> 00:34:11,330

I resented it.

666
00:34:11,330 --> 00:34:15,550
I still resent it very much.

667
00:34:15,550 --> 00:34:18,190
And here's the reason.

668
00:34:18,190 --> 00:34:24,280
I saw my family, my young
sisters and brothers, and six

669
00:34:24,280 --> 00:34:28,420
million, three million, young
children, fathers, youngsters,

670
00:34:28,420 --> 00:34:31,600
healthy, good,
could be left alive.

671
00:34:31,600 --> 00:34:37,570
And here cripples-- not that I
am not for letting people live.

672
00:34:37,570 --> 00:34:40,060
But if I have a
choice to let somebody

673
00:34:40,060 --> 00:34:44,830
live, people that can have a
life or people that were in

674
00:34:44,830 --> 00:34:48,460
wheelchairs or dead or
blind to leave something

675
00:34:48,460 --> 00:34:53,530
like 30,000 people like this,
leaving those people alive,

676
00:34:53,530 --> 00:34:55,900
to show the world
that he left cripples.

677

00:34:55,900 --> 00:34:58,630

I don't understand why
he Hitler did this,

678

00:34:58,630 --> 00:35:02,730

or whoever was in
charge why he did this.

679

00:35:02,730 --> 00:35:09,810

And there we were only a couple
weeks, and the liberation came.

680

00:35:09,810 --> 00:35:11,070

Russians liberated us.

681

00:35:11,070 --> 00:35:12,780

The Russians came in.

682

00:35:12,780 --> 00:35:15,150

There was another
hedge there too.

683

00:35:15,150 --> 00:35:17,520

Can you describe when
the Russians came?

684

00:35:17,520 --> 00:35:18,480

Yes.

685

00:35:18,480 --> 00:35:19,720

There was a hedge.

686

00:35:19,720 --> 00:35:22,183

The Germans left.

687

00:35:22,183 --> 00:35:23,100

Just all of a sudden--

688

00:35:23,100 --> 00:35:26,310

And they came back.

689

00:35:26,310 --> 00:35:28,260
I understand-- I never saw it--

690
00:35:28,260 --> 00:35:30,010
Did you have any idea
how many people were

691
00:35:30,010 --> 00:35:32,790
in Theresienstadt at the time?

692
00:35:32,790 --> 00:35:33,840
There were any people?

693
00:35:33,840 --> 00:35:34,830
Yeah, how many people.

694
00:35:34,830 --> 00:35:35,820
Do you have any--

695
00:35:35,820 --> 00:35:37,740
30,000 or more.

696
00:35:37,740 --> 00:35:38,970
On the day of liberation.

697
00:35:38,970 --> 00:35:40,740
Yes.

698
00:35:40,740 --> 00:35:43,140
And there were maybe
the same amount

699
00:35:43,140 --> 00:35:45,710
of us coming into the
camp from all over.

700
00:35:45,710 --> 00:35:48,660
What were you doing for those
three days-- those three weeks.

701
00:35:48,660 --> 00:35:52,560
They cleaned us.

702
00:35:52,560 --> 00:35:55,500
They gave us civilian clothes.

703
00:35:55,500 --> 00:35:58,060
That's the first time
we put in a civilian--

704
00:35:58,060 --> 00:36:01,510
I thought-- we knew
that the end was close.

705
00:36:01,510 --> 00:36:03,960
Close-- the end is very close.

706
00:36:03,960 --> 00:36:08,610
But we did not know
that Theresienstadt

707
00:36:08,610 --> 00:36:10,680
had prepared-- there
was-- first of all,

708
00:36:10,680 --> 00:36:13,110
they had a crematorium there.

709
00:36:13,110 --> 00:36:17,580
And they had 30,000
loaves of poisoned bread

710
00:36:17,580 --> 00:36:21,090
to be distributed
to the inmates.

711
00:36:21,090 --> 00:36:26,430
Somehow that leader, that
German whoever it was in command

712
00:36:26,430 --> 00:36:32,220
of that camp, looked out for
himself more than for us,

713

00:36:32,220 --> 00:36:36,240
that he thought, from himself--
which I'm sure he did--

714
00:36:36,240 --> 00:36:39,000
that he did not
distribute that bread.

715
00:36:39,000 --> 00:36:41,410
That bread was found.

716
00:36:41,410 --> 00:36:44,970
That's how we are alive again.

717
00:36:44,970 --> 00:36:47,580
And they left, they
came back, and then

718
00:36:47,580 --> 00:36:50,820
finally the Russians came.

719
00:36:50,820 --> 00:36:56,190
When the Russians
came, they gave us

720
00:36:56,190 --> 00:36:59,160
a free hand to go into town.

721
00:36:59,160 --> 00:37:01,770
Plunder, do what you want.

722
00:37:01,770 --> 00:37:03,390
Go into town.

723
00:37:03,390 --> 00:37:04,800
We went.

724
00:37:04,800 --> 00:37:07,590
We went into a town.

725
00:37:07,590 --> 00:37:12,482
There was German

occupied, a factory.

726

00:37:12,482 --> 00:37:14,190

Did you believe that
the war was really--

727

00:37:14,190 --> 00:37:15,630

I mean, what were your feelings?

728

00:37:15,630 --> 00:37:20,250

I mean, this is after going
from one camp to another camp.

729

00:37:20,250 --> 00:37:22,680

We were not humans.

730

00:37:22,680 --> 00:37:28,260

Now, when we got out, the
first thing you wanted to do--

731

00:37:28,260 --> 00:37:30,660

You said at the
time before you were

732

00:37:30,660 --> 00:37:32,820

about 60 pounds when you were--

733

00:37:32,820 --> 00:37:36,180

That's what I-- yeah,
65 pounds I weighed.

734

00:37:36,180 --> 00:37:38,070

And all you thought,
and my only--

735

00:37:38,070 --> 00:37:40,290

I made a promise to myself.

736

00:37:40,290 --> 00:37:42,390

Whenever I get
liberated, I'm going

737

00:37:42,390 --> 00:37:45,480
to cook myself a bread soup.

738
00:37:45,480 --> 00:37:48,960
Because many camps, what we
did when we had the chance,

739
00:37:48,960 --> 00:37:52,800
we took a pot of water,
and that 4 ounces of bread,

740
00:37:52,800 --> 00:37:56,430
we put it in it, and we let
it boil with a drop of water.

741
00:37:56,430 --> 00:37:57,570
This way it filled you up.

742
00:37:57,570 --> 00:38:00,470

743
00:38:00,470 --> 00:38:04,640
So by the liberation,
the Russians let us out.

744
00:38:04,640 --> 00:38:06,800
They cleaned us up.

745
00:38:06,800 --> 00:38:09,470
Go, look for food,
whatever you want to.

746
00:38:09,470 --> 00:38:12,280

747
00:38:12,280 --> 00:38:19,990
Going to town we saw a car.

748
00:38:19,990 --> 00:38:23,740
The Germans saw us-- there were
Germans, a horse and buggy.

749

00:38:23,740 --> 00:38:26,440

It's [? not ?] a car-- a
horse and buggy I meant.

750

00:38:26,440 --> 00:38:28,750

Everybody looked for food.

751

00:38:28,750 --> 00:38:30,520

I didn't have a chance.

752

00:38:30,520 --> 00:38:37,750

I found AN attache case
full of cigarettes.

753

00:38:37,750 --> 00:38:43,800

And there was a big
box, three, four feet

754

00:38:43,800 --> 00:38:47,550

by TWO feet along CLOSED.

755

00:38:47,550 --> 00:38:49,170

We opened it up--

756

00:38:49,170 --> 00:38:50,950

you wouldn't believe it.

757

00:38:50,950 --> 00:38:51,810

Alcohol?

758

00:38:51,810 --> 00:38:54,150

No, money.

759

00:38:54,150 --> 00:38:55,710

He must have been a banker.

760

00:38:55,710 --> 00:38:59,910

I grabbed a handful and stuck
it in that attache case.

761

00:38:59,910 --> 00:39:01,530

Fellas, Germany's kaput.

762
00:39:01,530 --> 00:39:03,060
Who needs the money?

763
00:39:03,060 --> 00:39:04,170
Who has a match.

764
00:39:04,170 --> 00:39:06,240
We burned it.

765
00:39:06,240 --> 00:39:09,330
We burned millions
of German marks.

766
00:39:09,330 --> 00:39:10,410
Who needs it?

767
00:39:10,410 --> 00:39:12,120
Now, this following--

768
00:39:12,120 --> 00:39:13,350
Let me just get this correct.

769
00:39:13,350 --> 00:39:15,720
This was money that
was next to the--

770
00:39:15,720 --> 00:39:17,758
No, this is the money that--

771
00:39:17,758 --> 00:39:18,300
I understand.

772
00:39:18,300 --> 00:39:19,202
You found in a box.

773
00:39:19,202 --> 00:39:20,160
In a box on the wagon--

774
00:39:20,160 --> 00:39:20,820
The box was on the street.

775
00:39:20,820 --> 00:39:21,362
On the wagon.

776
00:39:21,362 --> 00:39:22,290
It's on the wagon.

777
00:39:22,290 --> 00:39:23,310
Nobody was in the wagon.

778
00:39:23,310 --> 00:39:24,420
No, they ran to the woods.

779
00:39:24,420 --> 00:39:27,010
They went for their lives--
they ran for their lives.

780
00:39:27,010 --> 00:39:30,510
They were Germans or
whoever they were.

781
00:39:30,510 --> 00:39:34,050
And they had some food, but I
never had a chance to grab any.

782
00:39:34,050 --> 00:39:36,270
I guess somebody
gave me [INAUDIBLE]..

783
00:39:36,270 --> 00:39:37,650
We got into the town.

784
00:39:37,650 --> 00:39:39,330
There was a factory--

785
00:39:39,330 --> 00:39:41,078
cheeses and all kinds of things.

786
00:39:41,078 --> 00:39:42,620
Let me just ask you
another question.

787

00:39:42,620 --> 00:39:44,230

The cigarettes--

788

00:39:44,230 --> 00:39:45,180

I'll come back.

789

00:39:45,180 --> 00:39:46,450

I took them back to camp

790

00:39:46,450 --> 00:39:46,980

Yeah.

791

00:39:46,980 --> 00:39:47,670

Did you smoke?

792

00:39:47,670 --> 00:39:49,140

I started smoking.

793

00:39:49,140 --> 00:39:50,820

I never smoked in my life.

794

00:39:50,820 --> 00:39:54,717

That's one of my bad
habits that I developed.

795

00:39:54,717 --> 00:39:56,550

You never smoked in
your life prior to that?

796

00:39:56,550 --> 00:39:58,320

Not prior to then, no.

797

00:39:58,320 --> 00:40:02,460

In fact, in one of the camps,
when you made your quota,

798

00:40:02,460 --> 00:40:04,410

they gave you a
couple cigarettes.

799

00:40:04,410 --> 00:40:07,740

I used to sell them
for a piece of bread.

800
00:40:07,740 --> 00:40:10,400
So here you have a case
full of cigarettes.

801
00:40:10,400 --> 00:40:12,216
So I became a big shot--

802
00:40:12,216 --> 00:40:12,950
started smoking.

803
00:40:12,950 --> 00:40:15,300
In the beginning
there was no taste.

804
00:40:15,300 --> 00:40:17,970
Then you develop something.

805
00:40:17,970 --> 00:40:23,130
And the money-- anyway,
I changed it later.

806
00:40:23,130 --> 00:40:26,700
\$160 for it when
I came to Germany.

807
00:40:26,700 --> 00:40:27,600
For the cigarettes?

808
00:40:27,600 --> 00:40:30,270
No, for the handful of
German money-- marks.

809
00:40:30,270 --> 00:40:31,950
Oh, you said you burned it.

810
00:40:31,950 --> 00:40:33,210
In other words, you saved
some of it, and you--

811

00:40:33,210 --> 00:40:33,990
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

812
00:40:33,990 --> 00:40:35,220
I grabbed a handful and
put it in my attache case.

813
00:40:35,220 --> 00:40:36,053
In the attache case.

814
00:40:36,053 --> 00:40:36,720
OK.

815
00:40:36,720 --> 00:40:39,750
And we're going back
to into that town.

816
00:40:39,750 --> 00:40:45,400
In the town there was a
factory where cheeses.

817
00:40:45,400 --> 00:40:45,900
Tubes.

818
00:40:45,900 --> 00:40:49,740
We never knew that
cheese can be in a tube.

819
00:40:49,740 --> 00:40:53,490
German was advanced
and all kind of thing.

820
00:40:53,490 --> 00:40:56,070
But things, no food.

821
00:40:56,070 --> 00:40:57,320
And we came back to Camp.

822
00:40:57,320 --> 00:41:00,690
Oh, of course, we did something.

823
00:41:00,690 --> 00:41:01,590

Another day--

824

00:41:01,590 --> 00:41:02,490

When you say we--

825

00:41:02,490 --> 00:41:03,240

you were.

826

00:41:03,240 --> 00:41:04,560

We never went alone.

827

00:41:04,560 --> 00:41:06,960

We always went in groups.

828

00:41:06,960 --> 00:41:08,460

Because you don't go alone.

829

00:41:08,460 --> 00:41:10,440

You're always afraid.

830

00:41:10,440 --> 00:41:12,300

But when a group-- what
happens to a group.

831

00:41:12,300 --> 00:41:13,050

So you were still afraid.

832

00:41:13,050 --> 00:41:13,760

I mean, the Russian came--

833

00:41:13,760 --> 00:41:14,260

Sure.

834

00:41:14,260 --> 00:41:17,730

--told you the war is
finished, go into town.

835

00:41:17,730 --> 00:41:19,590

Right, we went.

836

00:41:19,590 --> 00:41:26,010

On another excursion
like this, we found--

837
00:41:26,010 --> 00:41:28,920
they must have been
soldiers or something--

838
00:41:28,920 --> 00:41:32,730
a loaf of bread I found
in one of the rucksacks.

839
00:41:32,730 --> 00:41:37,350
And next to it
was like a brick--

840
00:41:37,350 --> 00:41:39,978
honey.

841
00:41:39,978 --> 00:41:42,180
Oh, I wouldn't dare
eating it there.

842
00:41:42,180 --> 00:41:45,780
I brought it back to
camp and I ate it up.

843
00:41:45,780 --> 00:41:50,070
I ate up the loaf of bread and
I ate up the honey with it.

844
00:41:50,070 --> 00:41:53,880
Immediately I got diarrhea.

845
00:41:53,880 --> 00:41:57,300
I didn't know, but later
on I found out why.

846
00:41:57,300 --> 00:41:58,680
But I was lucky.

847
00:41:58,680 --> 00:42:02,730
We did have some things
to stop the diarrhea.

848
00:42:02,730 --> 00:42:06,390
But the diarrhea and that--

849
00:42:06,390 --> 00:42:09,600
again, it was not
clean, another typhoid

850
00:42:09,600 --> 00:42:12,270
broke out in Theresienstadt.

851
00:42:12,270 --> 00:42:14,910
And quite a few people
died, except there

852
00:42:14,910 --> 00:42:18,480
was better medical care then.

853
00:42:18,480 --> 00:42:20,100
Who gave them medical care then?

854
00:42:20,100 --> 00:42:22,740
Whoever was in
charge there already.

855
00:42:22,740 --> 00:42:26,790
I don't remember who was
the administration there.

856
00:42:26,790 --> 00:42:29,250
But the Russians were--

857
00:42:29,250 --> 00:42:30,120
In command.

858
00:42:30,120 --> 00:42:31,320
--in command of the camp.

859
00:42:31,320 --> 00:42:32,670
The camp, right.

860

00:42:32,670 --> 00:42:36,420
But they let people, whoever
they were, in charge.

861
00:42:36,420 --> 00:42:38,610
I understand later
on why I'd rather

862
00:42:38,610 --> 00:42:45,120
everybody came in and tried to
take you wherever you want to.

863
00:42:45,120 --> 00:42:52,020
And if I wouldn't have
had my typhoid in Rzeszow,

864
00:42:52,020 --> 00:42:54,480
I wouldn't have survived.

865
00:42:54,480 --> 00:42:57,240
I was immune to that.

866
00:42:57,240 --> 00:43:00,600
That's how I survived again.

867
00:43:00,600 --> 00:43:06,270
And then, from there we had
that choice to go to Italy,

868
00:43:06,270 --> 00:43:11,340
like straight to Israel or
whatever, or to Germany.

869
00:43:11,340 --> 00:43:14,710
I took the ride to Germany,
because I wanted to see.

870
00:43:14,710 --> 00:43:15,660
Again, until I came--

871
00:43:15,660 --> 00:43:18,095
For how long were
you in Theresienstadt

872
00:43:18,095 --> 00:43:18,970
after the liberation.

873
00:43:18,970 --> 00:43:19,720
A few weeks.

874
00:43:19,720 --> 00:43:20,250
A few weeks.

875
00:43:20,250 --> 00:43:21,510
A few weeks.

876
00:43:21,510 --> 00:43:22,950
And we came into Germany.

877
00:43:22,950 --> 00:43:23,460
In Germany--

878
00:43:23,460 --> 00:43:25,320
Did you have any contact
with any other organizations

879
00:43:25,320 --> 00:43:27,000
at the time other
than the Russians?

880
00:43:27,000 --> 00:43:28,380
Did you have contact
with the Red Cross?

881
00:43:28,380 --> 00:43:29,338
Did your contact with--

882
00:43:29,338 --> 00:43:30,510
They came into the camp.

883
00:43:30,510 --> 00:43:31,380
They fed us.

884
00:43:31,380 --> 00:43:33,150

They gave us.

885

00:43:33,150 --> 00:43:39,210

And they, again, here
already is Germany back--

886

00:43:39,210 --> 00:43:42,570

West Germany, Landsberg.

887

00:43:42,570 --> 00:43:46,680

And there again, int our camp,
not free, they registered

888

00:43:46,680 --> 00:43:47,620

and everything.

889

00:43:47,620 --> 00:43:49,030

But they let us go.

890

00:43:49,030 --> 00:43:52,800

We can go to Munich,
where I registered.

891

00:43:52,800 --> 00:43:55,180

I knew I had some
family in America.

892

00:43:55,180 --> 00:43:58,320

And I also knew I had
a brother in Belgium.

893

00:43:58,320 --> 00:44:03,360

And I also knew I left
my family in Poland.

894

00:44:03,360 --> 00:44:05,220

And you registered in HIAS.

895

00:44:05,220 --> 00:44:09,120

You left all your
numbers, your names.

896

00:44:09,120 --> 00:44:12,600
And I started traveling.

897
00:44:12,600 --> 00:44:15,480
We had free passes in Germany.

898
00:44:15,480 --> 00:44:19,560
ID cards-- you didn't have to
pay for any transportation.

899
00:44:19,560 --> 00:44:23,610
Or which town you came
in, you give us free food.

900
00:44:23,610 --> 00:44:27,390
And I met already some
friends, some boys.

901
00:44:27,390 --> 00:44:32,220
I wound up going to the
English zone to Bergen-Belsen

902
00:44:32,220 --> 00:44:34,080
after the war.

903
00:44:34,080 --> 00:44:38,270
And I spent there six months.

904
00:44:38,270 --> 00:44:41,390
Again, no future.

905
00:44:41,390 --> 00:44:46,610
Fine, you belong to a Zionist
organization here and there.

906
00:44:46,610 --> 00:44:49,190
But still, my mind
was on, where am I?

907
00:44:49,190 --> 00:44:50,705
What am I going to do?

908

00:44:50,705 --> 00:44:51,455
Where's my family?

909
00:44:51,455 --> 00:44:54,260

910
00:44:54,260 --> 00:44:56,600
What were you doing for the
six months at Bergen-Belsen?

911
00:44:56,600 --> 00:45:00,440
Just looking around--
loafing, talking.

912
00:45:00,440 --> 00:45:06,110
We met Ben-Gurion
came to visit us there

913
00:45:06,110 --> 00:45:08,670
and spoke in a
beautiful Yiddish.

914
00:45:08,670 --> 00:45:11,290
Of course Hebrew
we didn't speak.

915
00:45:11,290 --> 00:45:16,310
And he said if he could he
would take us all with him.

916
00:45:16,310 --> 00:45:19,280
And that's when I registered.

917
00:45:19,280 --> 00:45:22,430
I was one of the
Zionist organizations.

918
00:45:22,430 --> 00:45:26,870
But my mind was not made up.

919
00:45:26,870 --> 00:45:30,800
I wanted to go back home.

920

00:45:30,800 --> 00:45:33,170

And I registered
as a legal alien.

921

00:45:33,170 --> 00:45:33,920

I want to go back.

922

00:45:33,920 --> 00:45:36,800

I am Polish.

923

00:45:36,800 --> 00:45:41,210

And they put me in the
transport and gave me papers.

924

00:45:41,210 --> 00:45:43,580

I went back to Poland.

925

00:45:43,580 --> 00:45:44,550

By yourself?

926

00:45:44,550 --> 00:45:45,800

By myself.

927

00:45:45,800 --> 00:45:47,720

This is already by myself.

928

00:45:47,720 --> 00:45:49,892

And I don't know.

929

00:45:49,892 --> 00:45:51,350

We didn't have
money, but somehow I

930

00:45:51,350 --> 00:45:53,660

arrived in my own town.

931

00:45:53,660 --> 00:45:55,700

There was maybe a
handful of Jewish people

932

00:45:55,700 --> 00:45:59,530

living in that part which
used to be a ghetto.

933
00:45:59,530 --> 00:46:03,620
There was no thing of getting
food and being around.

934
00:46:03,620 --> 00:46:06,500
In fact, not only food--

935
00:46:06,500 --> 00:46:08,360
I went to my neighbors,
because I knew

936
00:46:08,360 --> 00:46:11,930
that our house was taken apart.

937
00:46:11,930 --> 00:46:14,900
I have pictures, and
I bring them with me.

938
00:46:14,900 --> 00:46:18,590
And I went to my neighbors,
and there they are hanging.

939
00:46:18,590 --> 00:46:21,930
They plundered our
house when we left.

940
00:46:21,930 --> 00:46:24,620
I said, these are our pictures.

941
00:46:24,620 --> 00:46:26,870
My mother was [INAUDIBLE].

942
00:46:26,870 --> 00:46:29,550
And the neighbor says,
your mother gave it to us

943
00:46:29,550 --> 00:46:32,640
we should pray for her.

944

00:46:32,640 --> 00:46:34,160
I said, I'm want to take them.

945
00:46:34,160 --> 00:46:35,020
And I did.

946
00:46:35,020 --> 00:46:37,340
They didn't say nothing.

947
00:46:37,340 --> 00:46:40,430
I had another story.

948
00:46:40,430 --> 00:46:47,330
Another neighbor says to me,
why don't I change my religion

949
00:46:47,330 --> 00:46:49,730
and become a Christian?

950
00:46:49,730 --> 00:46:54,440
Because in our town
there was a judge--

951
00:46:54,440 --> 00:46:55,710
I forgot his name--

952
00:46:55,710 --> 00:46:57,450
he changed his religion.

953
00:46:57,450 --> 00:47:01,550
[Whether there was a God?
?] The Germans came, he hid.

954
00:47:01,550 --> 00:47:05,750
But after the war he
became a big shot again.

955
00:47:05,750 --> 00:47:08,090
I suffered the
whole war, now am I

956
00:47:08,090 --> 00:47:09,890

going to after I lived through?

957

00:47:09,890 --> 00:47:10,700

Why did I come.

958

00:47:10,700 --> 00:47:13,250

I came to see if it's anybody--

959

00:47:13,250 --> 00:47:17,380

I found a couple
pictures-- anything.

960

00:47:17,380 --> 00:47:18,680

I didn't find much.

961

00:47:18,680 --> 00:47:25,890

In fact, some neighbors, which
I know my nephew went, my five,

962

00:47:25,890 --> 00:47:31,780

six-year-old nephew, I had
to pay him for holding him.

963

00:47:31,780 --> 00:47:33,310

You know he was here--

964

00:47:33,310 --> 00:47:36,040

I paid him, my neighbors.

965

00:47:36,040 --> 00:47:39,070

Of course our house
was taken apart,

966

00:47:39,070 --> 00:47:40,900

and neighbors owed money.

967

00:47:40,900 --> 00:47:43,350

And I knew about it
as a little child.

968

00:47:43,350 --> 00:47:45,190

They said, this is all--

969
00:47:45,190 --> 00:47:49,930
your nephew, we gave him
more than what you owe us.

970
00:47:49,930 --> 00:47:56,180
And I was lucky, because
as I was in my town,

971
00:47:56,180 --> 00:48:02,380
I saw two funerals on Jewish
boys who were left alive,

972
00:48:02,380 --> 00:48:05,750
came back, and they
went into the villages.

973
00:48:05,750 --> 00:48:07,450
And that same thing--

974
00:48:07,450 --> 00:48:12,700
the families left
whatever they possessed.

975
00:48:12,700 --> 00:48:16,890
But instead of giving them
back, they killed them.

976
00:48:16,890 --> 00:48:21,600
There was no police to go
and give you back your stuff.

977
00:48:21,600 --> 00:48:22,980
They buried them.

978
00:48:22,980 --> 00:48:28,320
Our cemetery in our
town was all destroyed.

979
00:48:28,320 --> 00:48:29,730
One tombstone.

980

00:48:29,730 --> 00:48:32,730

There was nobody to
erect it or do anything.

981

00:48:32,730 --> 00:48:34,020

And that's how it is.

982

00:48:34,020 --> 00:48:37,320

And do you know what
happened to your family?

983

00:48:37,320 --> 00:48:44,220

I don't know for sure, but
I know my oldest brothers

984

00:48:44,220 --> 00:48:47,160

were in the Russian side.

985

00:48:47,160 --> 00:48:49,170

I told you they were soldiers.

986

00:48:49,170 --> 00:48:52,890

And when they registered
to come back to our side,

987

00:48:52,890 --> 00:48:56,250

the Russians took them
and sent them to Siberia.

988

00:48:56,250 --> 00:49:00,650

They were young,
and they survived.

989

00:49:00,650 --> 00:49:03,030

They survived the war
and they were in America.

990

00:49:03,030 --> 00:49:05,910

One of my brothers
just died last year.

991

00:49:05,910 --> 00:49:10,050

One is still alive, and

he lives in Union near me.

992

00:49:10,050 --> 00:49:12,180

And you had another
brother in Belgium?

993

00:49:12,180 --> 00:49:14,560

I had one brother
before the war.

994

00:49:14,560 --> 00:49:15,390

He did not--

995

00:49:15,390 --> 00:49:20,220

I did get an answer
from the HIAS.

996

00:49:20,220 --> 00:49:24,850

When I came back,
going back from Poland,

997

00:49:24,850 --> 00:49:28,590

i had to go to a kibbutz,
which was organizing Katowice,

998

00:49:28,590 --> 00:49:30,750

and spend there a few months.

999

00:49:30,750 --> 00:49:35,880

And with them, they transported
us, a Zionist organization,

1000

00:49:35,880 --> 00:49:39,030

to Austria and to Germany again.

1001

00:49:39,030 --> 00:49:41,320

But then I said, I'm
not going get to Israel.

1002

00:49:41,320 --> 00:49:43,160

I want to see a little
more of Germany,

1003

00:49:43,160 --> 00:49:45,060
see about what happened.

1004

00:49:45,060 --> 00:49:49,860
And being in Katowice,
when I was in a kibbutz,

1005

00:49:49,860 --> 00:49:53,490
people started coming
back from Russia.

1006

00:49:53,490 --> 00:49:58,320
And I have already received
an address and people

1007

00:49:58,320 --> 00:50:00,390
that knew where
my brothers were,

1008

00:50:00,390 --> 00:50:02,760
that my brothers were alive.

1009

00:50:02,760 --> 00:50:03,990
I knew that.

1010

00:50:03,990 --> 00:50:08,010
But when they were
coming, I did not know.

1011

00:50:08,010 --> 00:50:14,820
Ironically, the day I crossed
the border going from Poland

1012

00:50:14,820 --> 00:50:17,430
back into Germany,
Austria and Germany,

1013

00:50:17,430 --> 00:50:22,050
that same day they
arrived in Poland.

1014

00:50:22,050 --> 00:50:25,590

Because within a few weeks, not
too many Jews left in Poland.

1015
00:50:25,590 --> 00:50:28,200
They kept on going
the same way as we do.

1016
00:50:28,200 --> 00:50:34,770
So by the time I came to Munich
to go into the Jewish community

1017
00:50:34,770 --> 00:50:38,370
there, I had an
answer from Belgium

1018
00:50:38,370 --> 00:50:42,120
that he was taken to
one of the transports.

1019
00:50:42,120 --> 00:50:47,730
I found people-- in
fact he was a Trencher.

1020
00:50:47,730 --> 00:50:49,750
He's in Israel now.

1021
00:50:49,750 --> 00:50:57,360
He says that he saw my brothers
in Gleiwitz, both my brothers.

1022
00:50:57,360 --> 00:50:59,970
So I knew that sooner
or later that-- and I

1023
00:50:59,970 --> 00:51:02,430
used to go to those trains
where they come from Russia

1024
00:51:02,430 --> 00:51:05,070
every day, looking and looking.

1025
00:51:05,070 --> 00:51:08,160
But I couldn't wait any

more than six months.

1026
00:51:08,160 --> 00:51:12,360
Because they did
something in Russia

1027
00:51:12,360 --> 00:51:14,070
that held them back
those six months.

1028
00:51:14,070 --> 00:51:17,280
They wanted to become
Russian citizens.

1029
00:51:17,280 --> 00:51:23,130
But finally, one day, Russian
let the Polish citizens go,

1030
00:51:23,130 --> 00:51:25,840
because they did not want
to become Russian citizen.

1031
00:51:25,840 --> 00:51:29,250
They sent them the last out.

1032
00:51:29,250 --> 00:51:34,450
Anyway, they joined me
in Germany within six,

1033
00:51:34,450 --> 00:51:37,620
seven months later back.

1034
00:51:37,620 --> 00:51:42,600
And by then I was a native.

1035
00:51:42,600 --> 00:51:45,240
I knew Germany a little bit.

1036
00:51:45,240 --> 00:51:47,580
And I moved into a city.

1037
00:51:47,580 --> 00:51:52,290

I knew that there was a friend
of ours from my hometown,

1038
00:51:52,290 --> 00:51:53,985
he had pull in that town.

1039
00:51:53,985 --> 00:51:56,200
He was a macher.

1040
00:51:56,200 --> 00:51:57,570
And he gave me--

1041
00:51:57,570 --> 00:51:59,610
I had to have a room.

1042
00:51:59,610 --> 00:52:04,050
And if I had the room, I could
live in a city out of camp.

1043
00:52:04,050 --> 00:52:07,350
And the city was
called Regensburg.

1044
00:52:07,350 --> 00:52:12,210
And in that city, once
I had where to live,

1045
00:52:12,210 --> 00:52:13,800
I got a Kennekarte--

1046
00:52:13,800 --> 00:52:21,715
I got not a passport, Ausweiss.

1047
00:52:21,715 --> 00:52:22,570
ID papers?

1048
00:52:22,570 --> 00:52:26,300
ID, a German ID.

1049
00:52:26,300 --> 00:52:32,950
And eventually I got the room.

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00:52:32,950 --> 00:52:35,500

It only cost pennies.

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00:52:35,500 --> 00:52:39,430

And I lived there for
a good six months.

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00:52:39,430 --> 00:52:41,800

And all of a sudden
I hear my brothers

1053

00:52:41,800 --> 00:52:44,950

were coming to our camp.

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00:52:44,950 --> 00:52:49,210

And I went there and got them.

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00:52:49,210 --> 00:52:51,610

Again, everywhere
you went, they never

1056

00:52:51,610 --> 00:52:53,748

let you lose, always
in a camp and again.

1057

00:52:53,748 --> 00:52:55,165

I had to get them
out of the camp.

1058

00:52:55,165 --> 00:52:56,240

Out of the DP camp.

1059

00:52:56,240 --> 00:52:56,740

A false ID.

1060

00:52:56,740 --> 00:53:02,140

Yeah, with false papers
I got from friends.

1061

00:53:02,140 --> 00:53:05,020

I got into the
camp at night when

1062
00:53:05,020 --> 00:53:07,090
I got them out the same way.

1063
00:53:07,090 --> 00:53:09,010
Once I had the papers
I brought them.

1064
00:53:09,010 --> 00:53:12,160
Once we had in the
city, eventually they

1065
00:53:12,160 --> 00:53:16,270
got the papers too
[? straight. ?]

1066
00:53:16,270 --> 00:53:18,085
And in Germany--

1067
00:53:18,085 --> 00:53:20,600

1068
00:53:20,600 --> 00:53:22,880
I came to the United
States in '49.

1069
00:53:22,880 --> 00:53:26,030

1070
00:53:26,030 --> 00:53:27,860
And in Germany, we don't--

1071
00:53:27,860 --> 00:53:33,530
I started-- I tried
to acquire a trade.

1072
00:53:33,530 --> 00:53:38,450
I thought maybe I'll be able
to go back to mechanical work.

1073
00:53:38,450 --> 00:53:41,670
I worked the Messerschmitt

works in Regensburg.

1074
00:53:41,670 --> 00:53:44,120
They had a factory.

1075
00:53:44,120 --> 00:53:46,400
Mechanically I wasn't
too good inclined,

1076
00:53:46,400 --> 00:53:48,260
but I learned a
little bit reading

1077
00:53:48,260 --> 00:53:50,180
and writing, a
little arithmetic,

1078
00:53:50,180 --> 00:53:52,890
like algebra, the first stage.

1079
00:53:52,890 --> 00:53:55,740
Which helped me
a little bit too.

1080
00:53:55,740 --> 00:53:58,108
And then you were just--

1081
00:53:58,108 --> 00:53:59,900
You were in Germany
for how long before you

1082
00:53:59,900 --> 00:54:01,190
came to the United States?

1083
00:54:01,190 --> 00:54:01,950
Three years.

1084
00:54:01,950 --> 00:54:03,060
Three full years.

1085
00:54:03,060 --> 00:54:06,200
What was life like in Germany?

1086
00:54:06,200 --> 00:54:10,880
We considered ourselves
above a little bit.

1087
00:54:10,880 --> 00:54:15,890
Because, you see, it's a
right way and a wrong way.

1088
00:54:15,890 --> 00:54:21,660
Maybe in a way we were right
that they owed us something.

1089
00:54:21,660 --> 00:54:24,500
And then, as you
live, the same way

1090
00:54:24,500 --> 00:54:26,900
when we arrived in
the United States,

1091
00:54:26,900 --> 00:54:32,690
we thought we were the only ones
that went through the horror.

1092
00:54:32,690 --> 00:54:36,320
We were entitled to something.

1093
00:54:36,320 --> 00:54:40,760
But you have to make
your own nest and live.

1094
00:54:40,760 --> 00:54:44,360
But nobody gave us guidelines.

1095
00:54:44,360 --> 00:54:48,380
So in Germany, the
only way you lived,

1096
00:54:48,380 --> 00:54:51,975
there was a little
black market street.

1097

00:54:51,975 --> 00:54:53,350

You bought a carton
of cigarettes

1098

00:54:53,350 --> 00:54:57,180

and you sold it individually,
cigarette by cigarette.

1099

00:54:57,180 --> 00:54:58,947

You get your spending money.

1100

00:54:58,947 --> 00:55:00,030

You weren't going to work.

1101

00:55:00,030 --> 00:55:02,910

I worked in a German
factory for a little while.

1102

00:55:02,910 --> 00:55:05,640

Not for working, for
learning the trade.

1103

00:55:05,640 --> 00:55:08,640

I thought actually
that I could--

1104

00:55:08,640 --> 00:55:12,610

I want to acquire something.

1105

00:55:12,610 --> 00:55:19,570

And we say [INAUDIBLE]----
that it wasn't to be.

1106

00:55:19,570 --> 00:55:25,120

Did any Jewish agencies help you
come over to the United States?

1107

00:55:25,120 --> 00:55:26,590

My brothers.

1108

00:55:26,590 --> 00:55:33,514

Finally, we decided in Germany

we wanted to go to Israel.

1109
00:55:33,514 --> 00:55:36,910
And we were packed.

1110
00:55:36,910 --> 00:55:40,090
In fact, we sent away
our clothes already.

1111
00:55:40,090 --> 00:55:42,640
I never-- my brothers wanted.

1112
00:55:42,640 --> 00:55:44,230
I had family here.

1113
00:55:44,230 --> 00:55:48,820
I had two uncles and
an aunt in Pittsburgh.

1114
00:55:48,820 --> 00:55:52,210
And they sent me a--

1115
00:55:52,210 --> 00:55:52,770
Visa.

1116
00:55:52,770 --> 00:55:54,337
--a visa.

1117
00:55:54,337 --> 00:55:55,420
What they used to call it?

1118
00:55:55,420 --> 00:55:56,090
Visa then?

1119
00:55:56,090 --> 00:55:56,710
Yeah.

1120
00:55:56,710 --> 00:56:00,500
They paid him for my
transportation, but as

1121

00:56:00,500 --> 00:56:01,290
displaced person.

1122
00:56:01,290 --> 00:56:04,060

1123
00:56:04,060 --> 00:56:11,260
And the very last few weeks
before they supposed to depart,

1124
00:56:11,260 --> 00:56:15,490
the war broke out, and Israel
started to get very bad.

1125
00:56:15,490 --> 00:56:18,130
So they got cold feet.

1126
00:56:18,130 --> 00:56:23,480
And they registered with
HIAS, so with UNRAA, whatever.

1127
00:56:23,480 --> 00:56:27,730
And they waited, and
they came to America

1128
00:56:27,730 --> 00:56:29,440
six months later after me.

1129
00:56:29,440 --> 00:56:34,080

1130
00:56:34,080 --> 00:56:37,960
Here I came of
course to my aunt,

1131
00:56:37,960 --> 00:56:46,610
to Pittsburgh, started to find
out American way of, life which

1132
00:56:46,610 --> 00:56:49,130
was very hard to begin with.

1133

00:56:49,130 --> 00:56:54,290
As I said before, I thought that
the world owes not a living--

1134
00:56:54,290 --> 00:56:55,430
owes us something.

1135
00:56:55,430 --> 00:56:58,490
And I still think so too.

1136
00:56:58,490 --> 00:57:03,980
Not because-- maybe
because too, there

1137
00:57:03,980 --> 00:57:09,620
are six million Jews in America,
never knew of anything bad,

1138
00:57:09,620 --> 00:57:13,820
and we were under
100,000 people left alive

1139
00:57:13,820 --> 00:57:15,410
and went through the hell.

1140
00:57:15,410 --> 00:57:18,380
I think we were
entitled to something--

1141
00:57:18,380 --> 00:57:19,640
to some consideration.

1142
00:57:19,640 --> 00:57:22,350

1143
00:57:22,350 --> 00:57:26,360
Especially, I had a
very bad experience

1144
00:57:26,360 --> 00:57:30,490
too in Pittsburgh, which will
stick in my life forever.

1145

00:57:30,490 --> 00:57:33,380

1146

00:57:33,380 --> 00:57:36,970

The week I arrived,
my uncle died.

1147

00:57:36,970 --> 00:57:38,080

And I saw him alive.

1148

00:57:38,080 --> 00:57:52,740

1149

00:57:52,740 --> 00:57:57,240

But they had him
in a funeral home.

1150

00:57:57,240 --> 00:58:01,590

He died in Miami, they
brought him to Pittsburgh.

1151

00:58:01,590 --> 00:58:07,020

I did not understand, but
the [INAUDIBLE],, the goyim,

1152

00:58:07,020 --> 00:58:10,200

they came to see in
the funeral parlor.

1153

00:58:10,200 --> 00:58:14,550

I couldn't understand
then that you go to see.

1154

00:58:14,550 --> 00:58:17,340

Anyway, the following
day he was buried.

1155

00:58:17,340 --> 00:58:23,490

And they were sitting
shiva in my aunt's house.

1156

00:58:23,490 --> 00:58:28,290

And my aunt is from
my mother's side.

1157
00:58:28,290 --> 00:58:32,625
My aunt and my aunt's
family's name is Penner.

1158
00:58:32,625 --> 00:58:34,700
In Pittsburgh there
are lots of Penner.

1159
00:58:34,700 --> 00:58:38,100

1160
00:58:38,100 --> 00:58:45,240
And oh, nephew came from
your Europe, survivor.

1161
00:58:45,240 --> 00:58:46,590
Nice.

1162
00:58:46,590 --> 00:58:50,130
Somehow our
conversation came out,

1163
00:58:50,130 --> 00:58:52,890
and the Penners in Pittsburgh
were quite well-off.

1164
00:58:52,890 --> 00:58:57,370
After all, they were here from
before the First World War.

1165
00:58:57,370 --> 00:59:02,310
Everybody said, oh, except my
poor uncle, my aunt's husband--

1166
00:59:02,310 --> 00:59:05,326
he was a salesman.

1167
00:59:05,326 --> 00:59:06,780
You couldn't put
him in business.

1168
00:59:06,780 --> 00:59:09,630

1169
00:59:09,630 --> 00:59:12,240
My family.

1170
00:59:12,240 --> 00:59:13,890
And I hear the conversation.

1171
00:59:13,890 --> 00:59:15,450
They did not know--

1172
00:59:15,450 --> 00:59:18,870
I did take a few English
lessons in Germany.

1173
00:59:18,870 --> 00:59:24,210
I did pick out a few words,
that much I did understand.

1174
00:59:24,210 --> 00:59:30,930
If a refugee would come, I'll
give them \$50 and kick him out.

1175
00:59:30,930 --> 00:59:33,900

1176
00:59:33,900 --> 00:59:35,460
This was said by--

1177
00:59:35,460 --> 00:59:37,357
My aunt's house.

1178
00:59:37,357 --> 00:59:38,440
Somebody in conversations.

1179
00:59:38,440 --> 00:59:39,648
When they were sitting shiva.

1180
00:59:39,648 --> 00:59:41,160

Yeah, in the conversation.

1181
00:59:41,160 --> 00:59:45,060
I was sitting on
the porch, whatever.

1182
00:59:45,060 --> 00:59:49,485
Such a thing stick with you,
especially when you survive

1183
00:59:49,485 --> 00:59:50,985
and you come to a
free country, when

1184
00:59:50,985 --> 00:59:53,730
you have all that
mishpucha around you,

1185
00:59:53,730 --> 00:59:55,800
and you hear talk like this.

1186
00:59:55,800 --> 01:00:00,680
Not even a word of
sorry what happened

1187
01:00:00,680 --> 01:00:04,050
to our whole community of Jews.

1188
01:00:04,050 --> 01:00:05,500
People are lucky.

1189
01:00:05,500 --> 01:00:07,620
It was never touched
here, the United States.

1190
01:00:07,620 --> 01:00:09,230
I still say--

1191
01:00:09,230 --> 01:00:13,530
I won't say better, but we were
entitled to some consideration.

1192

01:00:13,530 --> 01:00:17,130

1193

01:00:17,130 --> 01:00:20,450

Next, I got a job right away.

1194

01:00:20,450 --> 01:00:22,580

I was lucky, unlucky.

1195

01:00:22,580 --> 01:00:27,620

For \$25 working six days
12 hours with some luck.

1196

01:00:27,620 --> 01:00:32,510

I didn't complain,
in a butcher shop.

1197

01:00:32,510 --> 01:00:39,350

And eventually I just got laid
off or fired from the job.

1198

01:00:39,350 --> 01:00:44,410

Not because I wasn't good,
because the GIs came in.

1199

01:00:44,410 --> 01:00:49,790

And my boss took in a GI,
he paid him the minimum,

1200

01:00:49,790 --> 01:00:52,580

and the rest the government
paid the subsidy.

1201

01:00:52,580 --> 01:00:55,100

Where by me, after six
months he had to give me

1202

01:00:55,100 --> 01:00:56,630

a raise automatically.

1203

01:00:56,630 --> 01:00:58,220

That was the law.

1204

01:00:58,220 --> 01:01:01,980

So for a lousy \$5 he fired me.

1205

01:01:01,980 --> 01:01:04,275

And I still have a hard time.

1206

01:01:04,275 --> 01:01:05,900

I've had to go start

looking for a job.

1207

01:01:05,900 --> 01:01:09,420

Till the day of today, that's

the hardest thing for me.

1208

01:01:09,420 --> 01:01:11,060

And that's why I

went into business.

1209

01:01:11,060 --> 01:01:15,330

1210

01:01:15,330 --> 01:01:18,890

By then I had no

[? breira. ?] I had to.

1211

01:01:18,890 --> 01:01:21,240

Knowing my family--

1212

01:01:21,240 --> 01:01:23,750

I asked my aunt,

where is the Penner.

1213

01:01:23,750 --> 01:01:26,690

I know he has a pickle

factory somewhere

1214

01:01:26,690 --> 01:01:30,335

in downtown Pittsburgh.

1215

01:01:30,335 --> 01:01:34,990

1216

01:01:34,990 --> 01:01:39,130

She gave me the address,
and I arrived there.

1217

01:01:39,130 --> 01:01:42,670

It was like, I don't know,
deli pickle whatever.

1218

01:01:42,670 --> 01:01:45,280

The man employed
over 100 people.

1219

01:01:45,280 --> 01:01:48,360

1220

01:01:48,360 --> 01:01:51,720

I stayed and waited,
came once, came twice.

1221

01:01:51,720 --> 01:01:54,150

Finally, he took me in.

1222

01:01:54,150 --> 01:01:57,500

And I ask him, I'm
looking for a job.

1223

01:01:57,500 --> 01:01:59,670

I don't care what.

1224

01:01:59,670 --> 01:02:00,510

Employ me.

1225

01:02:00,510 --> 01:02:02,550

Give me something.

1226

01:02:02,550 --> 01:02:06,270

I see outside he have a
black man doing the sweeping.

1227

01:02:06,270 --> 01:02:08,020

I can do the same thing.

1228

01:02:08,020 --> 01:02:09,150

I'm not asking more.

1229

01:02:09,150 --> 01:02:12,330

I'm asking \$25--

that's the minimum.

1230

01:02:12,330 --> 01:02:15,390

1231

01:02:15,390 --> 01:02:16,670

I did not get a job.

1232

01:02:16,670 --> 01:02:19,360

1233

01:02:19,360 --> 01:02:23,350

That's why I have that

sour taste in my mouth.

1234

01:02:23,350 --> 01:02:26,860

I should forget, but those

things, maybe I do forget,

1235

01:02:26,860 --> 01:02:31,510

but they come back to you.

1236

01:02:31,510 --> 01:02:33,910

You survive, you

have the family--

1237

01:02:33,910 --> 01:02:39,120

distant family-- not

even family, a Jew.

1238

01:02:39,120 --> 01:02:42,000