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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:05,220

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00:00:05,220 --> 00:00:06,900  
--any job.

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00:00:06,900 --> 00:00:11,640  
I did get a job in  
another meat market.

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00:00:11,640 --> 00:00:16,560  
My oldest brother came  
to Pittsburgh, Bernard.

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00:00:16,560 --> 00:00:20,460  
My brother saw when I told  
him, wrote to him, in Germany,

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00:00:20,460 --> 00:00:21,870  
he went the other way.

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00:00:21,870 --> 00:00:24,330  
He went with HIAS.

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00:00:24,330 --> 00:00:26,120  
And they send him  
to Portland, Maine.

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00:00:26,120 --> 00:00:28,770

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00:00:28,770 --> 00:00:31,800  
Eventually, we  
wrote to each other,

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00:00:31,800 --> 00:00:34,320  
and we decided we  
want to be together,

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00:00:34,320 --> 00:00:38,460  
but not in Pittsburgh,

away from the mishpocha.

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00:00:38,460 --> 00:00:43,350

And we wound up all  
in Portland, Maine.

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00:00:43,350 --> 00:00:47,280

Portland, Maine is a  
nice town, but it's not

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00:00:47,280 --> 00:00:49,410

an industrial state.

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00:00:49,410 --> 00:00:55,980

Again, I got a job,  
nothing to look for.

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00:00:55,980 --> 00:01:01,110

We spend there-- we, meaning  
my middle brother Sol and I--

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00:01:01,110 --> 00:01:03,270

over a year.

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00:01:03,270 --> 00:01:05,700

We all got jobs.

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00:01:05,700 --> 00:01:07,620

My brother Sol  
first made the move.

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00:01:07,620 --> 00:01:10,260

He moved back to  
New York, And then

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00:01:10,260 --> 00:01:13,300

to Connecticut  
and Massachusetts.

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00:01:13,300 --> 00:01:15,030

I went to New York.

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00:01:15,030 --> 00:01:18,270

I had to, because  
the man I worked for

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00:01:18,270 --> 00:01:21,030

wouldn't give me a raise.

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00:01:21,030 --> 00:01:23,220

And you couldn't afford it.

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00:01:23,220 --> 00:01:28,170

And New York, slowly,  
I did, like they say,

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00:01:28,170 --> 00:01:34,740

a jack of all trade, from a  
busboy to a package handler

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00:01:34,740 --> 00:01:41,280

to a courier to a paper cutter.

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00:01:41,280 --> 00:01:43,140

You name it, I worked.

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00:01:43,140 --> 00:01:46,230

And one year, as a  
busboy, in the country,

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00:01:46,230 --> 00:01:51,990

in the Catskill Mountains,  
I would save my money.

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00:01:51,990 --> 00:01:54,750

Came back to the  
city, and I found out

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00:01:54,750 --> 00:01:59,730

one of another mishpocha,  
more of a landsman,

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00:01:59,730 --> 00:02:02,370

is in the meat  
business, a butcher.

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00:02:02,370 --> 00:02:05,893  
I came over to him  
and I put down \$1,000.

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00:02:05,893 --> 00:02:06,810  
Teach me the business.

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00:02:06,810 --> 00:02:08,729  
I got to have a trade.

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00:02:08,729 --> 00:02:10,530  
He didn't take the money.

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00:02:10,530 --> 00:02:12,930  
The name was Sam Breitowitz.

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00:02:12,930 --> 00:02:13,770  
He did.

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00:02:13,770 --> 00:02:14,850  
He became my agent.

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00:02:14,850 --> 00:02:17,910  
He took the money later  
on, different way.

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00:02:17,910 --> 00:02:22,080  
But through him, I went  
into the meat business,

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00:02:22,080 --> 00:02:24,180  
and I worked for  
about three years

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00:02:24,180 --> 00:02:27,430  
and went to sell in New York.

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00:02:27,430 --> 00:02:32,090  
And back to New York  
City, joined a union,

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00:02:32,090 --> 00:02:33,720

worked a couple years.

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00:02:33,720 --> 00:02:36,930

Opportunity came with a partner.

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00:02:36,930 --> 00:02:41,340

We went into business,  
grocery and meats.

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00:02:41,340 --> 00:02:45,700

And this was in New York.

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00:02:45,700 --> 00:02:55,390

I met a girl, got married, got  
another business in New Jersey,

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00:02:55,390 --> 00:03:00,438

Newark first, start a family.

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00:03:00,438 --> 00:03:01,950

I have three children.

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00:03:01,950 --> 00:03:04,830

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00:03:04,830 --> 00:03:07,380

Now my oldest  
daughter is married.

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00:03:07,380 --> 00:03:10,480

I have a granddaughter  
that's two years old.

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00:03:10,480 --> 00:03:13,650

And my twins are 21  
they're both in college.

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00:03:13,650 --> 00:03:17,400

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00:03:17,400 --> 00:03:23,010

From a first business  
to another business,

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00:03:23,010 --> 00:03:24,870

they were good  
businesses, but they

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00:03:24,870 --> 00:03:30,150

were in Newark and East Orange.

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00:03:30,150 --> 00:03:32,310

Business-wise was  
good, but my life

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00:03:32,310 --> 00:03:36,840

started to get in jeopardy,  
especially in East Orange.

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00:03:36,840 --> 00:03:40,260

I was so bad that the  
only way I survived,

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00:03:40,260 --> 00:03:45,150

I had to have a dog with  
me, a big Doberman Pinscher.

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00:03:45,150 --> 00:03:46,950

He was my guard.

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00:03:46,950 --> 00:03:50,100

So I came to the conclusion  
last year, I gave it up.

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00:03:50,100 --> 00:03:51,900

I sold it.

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00:03:51,900 --> 00:03:58,270

And now I am in a summer  
business, ice cream store.

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00:03:58,270 --> 00:04:00,940

And after the summer,

God will help.

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00:04:00,940 --> 00:04:05,010

I do get a German  
pension, because I was--

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00:04:05,010 --> 00:04:09,520

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00:04:09,520 --> 00:04:14,260

I'm 40% disabled, and that's  
by the German government.

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00:04:14,260 --> 00:04:16,839

So I get a small pension  
which helps pay the rent.

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00:04:16,839 --> 00:04:20,140

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00:04:20,140 --> 00:04:26,290

And this country is  
great I think it's

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00:04:26,290 --> 00:04:29,590

the best country in the world.

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00:04:29,590 --> 00:04:31,920

We hope we can help  
Israel in any way we can.

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00:04:31,920 --> 00:04:37,640

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00:04:37,640 --> 00:04:40,220

OK, I want to thank  
you for coming.

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00:04:40,220 --> 00:04:41,915

The story is amazing.

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00:04:41,915 --> 00:04:47,220

You should have a  
successful 120 years.

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00:04:47,220 --> 00:04:47,720  
Thank you.

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00:04:47,720 --> 00:04:52,720

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00:04:52,720 --> 00:04:54,270  
Charlie.

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00:04:54,270 --> 00:04:55,062