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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:13,230

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00:00:13,230 --> 00:00:13,730
OK.

3
00:00:13,730 --> 00:00:16,160
Can we go ahead?

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00:00:16,160 --> 00:00:18,660
All right, would you
continue to tell us?

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00:00:18,660 --> 00:00:19,530
Yes.

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00:00:19,530 --> 00:00:23,960
As I was saying that 10
minutes later after we

7
00:00:23,960 --> 00:00:26,810
arrived home a
knock on the door.

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00:00:26,810 --> 00:00:33,500
And my mother got out of
bed and asked who it is.

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00:00:33,500 --> 00:00:37,370
Open the door, is all she heard.

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00:00:37,370 --> 00:00:39,950
Three times, open the
door, open the door.

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00:00:39,950 --> 00:00:46,600
She opened the door and an SS
came in and just looked around

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00:00:46,600 --> 00:00:51,840
in the room and walked

all around both beds,

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00:00:51,840 --> 00:00:53,330
two beds together.

14
00:00:53,330 --> 00:00:56,490
And he looked at each
and every one of us.

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00:00:56,490 --> 00:01:01,760
And he came from this
side and my older sister

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00:01:01,760 --> 00:01:03,060
was first in bed and I was--

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00:01:03,060 --> 00:01:06,200
He said, you come with me.

18
00:01:06,200 --> 00:01:07,010
To you?

19
00:01:07,010 --> 00:01:08,870
To me, yes.

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00:01:08,870 --> 00:01:11,880
And he was very polite in that.

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00:01:11,880 --> 00:01:13,220
And he said--

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00:01:13,220 --> 00:01:18,360
Before coming into the house
we had a vestibule area here

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00:01:18,360 --> 00:01:20,870
to come to that he's
going to wait outside

24
00:01:20,870 --> 00:01:24,080
and I should get dressed
and come with him.

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00:01:24,080 --> 00:01:25,880
My mother was out
of bed and we had

26
00:01:25,880 --> 00:01:31,700
a big window with flower pots
which the vestibule blocked

27
00:01:31,700 --> 00:01:32,930
the windows.

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00:01:32,930 --> 00:01:37,790
And she went quickly and
moved all the flower pots.

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00:01:37,790 --> 00:01:41,780
This was out of view to the SS.

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00:01:41,780 --> 00:01:46,730
And she says to me in Jewish--

31
00:01:46,730 --> 00:01:49,460
I don't know how to translate--
should I say Jewish?

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00:01:49,460 --> 00:01:50,790
Say it and I'll translate it.

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00:01:50,790 --> 00:01:52,130
OK.

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00:01:52,130 --> 00:01:55,730
[SPEAKING HEBREW]

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00:01:55,730 --> 00:01:56,880
Rescue yourself.

36
00:01:56,880 --> 00:01:58,340
There's nothing
I can do for you.

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00:01:58,340 --> 00:02:00,050

Nothing I can do for you.

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00:02:00,050 --> 00:02:01,280

And run away.

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00:02:01,280 --> 00:02:04,930

Run away [SPEAKING HEBREW].

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00:02:04,930 --> 00:02:07,430

I forgot even the shoes.

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00:02:07,430 --> 00:02:08,570

Barefoot.

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00:02:08,570 --> 00:02:11,900

I just walked right out.

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00:02:11,900 --> 00:02:12,980

Ran out.

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00:02:12,980 --> 00:02:15,980

And it was like
maybe three, five,

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00:02:15,980 --> 00:02:20,780

maybe six blocks away in
another street my uncle lived.

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00:02:20,780 --> 00:02:23,750

They were still
also everybody home.

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00:02:23,750 --> 00:02:29,000

So I knocked on the door
and they let me in there.

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00:02:29,000 --> 00:02:36,800

And ever since that until I went
away December 14 from in jail

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00:02:36,800 --> 00:02:39,890
with my friends I never
came back to the house

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00:02:39,890 --> 00:02:44,030
because he came twice
a day, every day,

51
00:02:44,030 --> 00:02:45,680
checking if I'm back.

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00:02:45,680 --> 00:02:51,310

53
00:02:51,310 --> 00:02:54,070
This was the story too.

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00:02:54,070 --> 00:02:55,750
So you escaped from him.

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00:02:55,750 --> 00:02:58,390
I escaped from him without--

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00:02:58,390 --> 00:03:03,650
I realized when I got older
what would happen to me.

57
00:03:03,650 --> 00:03:04,150
Yeah.

58
00:03:04,150 --> 00:03:04,870
OK.

59
00:03:04,870 --> 00:03:07,360
I didn't realize
right off the bat.

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00:03:07,360 --> 00:03:10,560

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00:03:10,560 --> 00:03:12,900
This was 10 minutes

after we walked in,

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00:03:12,900 --> 00:03:17,070
not being in the house but
two or three weeks traveling.

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00:03:17,070 --> 00:03:18,060
Just coming back.

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00:03:18,060 --> 00:03:20,940
So who did this if
not the Pollacks?

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00:03:20,940 --> 00:03:22,252
They were watching the house.

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00:03:22,252 --> 00:03:23,460
They were watching the house.

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00:03:23,460 --> 00:03:26,580
They saw a light.

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00:03:26,580 --> 00:03:29,640
And we dimmed the lights
as much as possible

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00:03:29,640 --> 00:03:31,050
but they've seen it.

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00:03:31,050 --> 00:03:33,390
And right away they found
somebody to send in.

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00:03:33,390 --> 00:03:36,390

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00:03:36,390 --> 00:03:39,980
And this was another sort.

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00:03:39,980 --> 00:03:42,790

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00:03:42,790 --> 00:03:45,560

You said you've never
been back to the country.

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00:03:45,560 --> 00:03:46,775

To the house, no.

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00:03:46,775 --> 00:03:47,650

I've never been back.

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00:03:47,650 --> 00:03:50,530

The only time I saw my
father is when he gave us

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00:03:50,530 --> 00:03:54,070

a ride to the train station.

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00:03:54,070 --> 00:03:56,170

But I mean since the war
you've never gone back.

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00:03:56,170 --> 00:03:57,850

No, no, no.

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00:03:57,850 --> 00:04:00,430

Never gone, no.

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00:04:00,430 --> 00:04:02,320

At one time I figured
maybe it would

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00:04:02,320 --> 00:04:04,180

be nice to take the children.

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00:04:04,180 --> 00:04:06,220

Maybe they should
see it or whatever.

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00:04:06,220 --> 00:04:08,050

But there's nothing
there to see.

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00:04:08,050 --> 00:04:14,020

There's absolutely nothing
that I can explain who it is.

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00:04:14,020 --> 00:04:18,940

The only thing is probably
more trouble walking in.

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00:04:18,940 --> 00:04:20,800

I probably wouldn't
be able to walk in,

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00:04:20,800 --> 00:04:25,030

even if somebody else lives
in the place that I lived.

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00:04:25,030 --> 00:04:27,130

They probably
wouldn't let me in.

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00:04:27,130 --> 00:04:33,130

Maybe everything is just
the way it was inside too.

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00:04:33,130 --> 00:04:33,890

No, I haven't.

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00:04:33,890 --> 00:04:34,390

No.

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00:04:34,390 --> 00:04:40,340

And I don't believe after
the Polish people were

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00:04:40,340 --> 00:04:47,860

so anti-Semitic and
allowed to do something

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00:04:47,860 --> 00:04:50,110

like that to the
best of neighbor

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00:04:50,110 --> 00:04:57,040
like they didn't try to save
that I should even spend

98
00:04:57,040 --> 00:05:02,650
my money, my American money, to
spend for them that they should

99
00:05:02,650 --> 00:05:03,220
live better.

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00:05:03,220 --> 00:05:04,240
No.

101
00:05:04,240 --> 00:05:05,930
You know what I'm
saying in a word?

102
00:05:05,930 --> 00:05:08,070
Sure.

103
00:05:08,070 --> 00:05:08,880
Sure.

104
00:05:08,880 --> 00:05:13,590
Yeah, it's very,
very, very trying.

105
00:05:13,590 --> 00:05:16,450
Very trying.

106
00:05:16,450 --> 00:05:18,595
I thank you very much for
coming here and sharing

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00:05:18,595 --> 00:05:19,387
your story with us.

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00:05:19,387 --> 00:05:21,320
I thank you for doing this.

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00:05:21,320 --> 00:05:25,720

It's also something
that I appreciate.

110
00:05:25,720 --> 00:05:27,950
As I told you, I feel
privileged for doing it.

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00:05:27,950 --> 00:05:33,280
And I hope if the
story is proper

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00:05:33,280 --> 00:05:37,690
that somebody is going to listen
to it and maybe shed a tear.

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00:05:37,690 --> 00:05:38,230
I hope so.

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00:05:38,230 --> 00:05:40,840

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00:05:40,840 --> 00:05:42,010
Thank you very much.

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00:05:42,010 --> 00:05:43,840
You're welcome.

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00:05:43,840 --> 00:06:00,000