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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:00,670

2
00:00:00,670 --> 00:00:02,420
There will be a
little red button.

3
00:00:02,420 --> 00:00:04,620
There we are.

4
00:00:04,620 --> 00:00:08,830
And I'm going to say that this
is the United States Holocaust

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00:00:08,830 --> 00:00:14,020
Memorial Museum interview with
Mr. Helmut Von Schweitzer,

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00:00:14,020 --> 00:00:19,120
conducted on June 18, 2020.

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00:00:19,120 --> 00:00:24,940
Remote, long distance between
London, UK and Falls Church,

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00:00:24,940 --> 00:00:27,220
Virginia.

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00:00:27,220 --> 00:00:30,790
We are doing this during
the time of coronavirus

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00:00:30,790 --> 00:00:36,010
and having a remote interview
this way via Google Meets.

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00:00:36,010 --> 00:00:41,950
And I will start the interview
with the most basic questions

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00:00:41,950 --> 00:00:43,880

And we'll go from there.

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00:00:43,880 --> 00:00:48,940
So my very first question
to you, Mr. Helmut, is this.

14
00:00:48,940 --> 00:00:52,700
Can you tell me the
date of your birth?

15
00:00:52,700 --> 00:00:53,200
Yes.

16
00:00:53,200 --> 00:00:54,540
I can do that.

17
00:00:54,540 --> 00:00:57,790
And I thank you very
much for the invitation.

18
00:00:57,790 --> 00:01:05,170
And my actual birthday
was the 14th of May, 1926.

19
00:01:05,170 --> 00:01:07,760
And tell me where were you born?

20
00:01:07,760 --> 00:01:12,730
I was born in
Gneixendorf, Austria.

21
00:01:12,730 --> 00:01:15,810
How do you spell that?

22
00:01:15,810 --> 00:01:26,170
G-N-E-I-X-E-N-D-O-R-F. Now
Gneixendorf is now incorporated

23
00:01:26,170 --> 00:01:29,660
in the city of
Krems on the Danube.

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00:01:29,660 --> 00:01:35,830
K-R-E-M-S, the city university.

25
00:01:35,830 --> 00:01:39,610
And tell me, what was
your name at birth?

26
00:01:39,610 --> 00:01:47,105
My name at birth was Helmut
Alfred Karl Maria Schweitzer.

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00:01:47,105 --> 00:01:50,430

28
00:01:50,430 --> 00:01:54,390
How is it that you
had so many names?

29
00:01:54,390 --> 00:02:04,350
Well, was from our
founder, came from Italy,

30
00:02:04,350 --> 00:02:11,620
Maria was part of any name,
with a man or a woman,

31
00:02:11,620 --> 00:02:24,300
Maria was the kind of, faith,
thanks to God [INAUDIBLE]..

32
00:02:24,300 --> 00:02:35,430
The name-- Anyway, names change.

33
00:02:35,430 --> 00:02:39,810
And nowadays, of course,
nobody in our family

34
00:02:39,810 --> 00:02:41,190
has Maria anymore.

35
00:02:41,190 --> 00:02:47,480
I think we, my two sisters
and I were the last ones

36
00:02:47,480 --> 00:02:51,520
to have Maria
attached to our name.

37
00:02:51,520 --> 00:02:56,040
But the other names are,
of course, the grandparents

38
00:02:56,040 --> 00:03:03,500
or nephews and aunts who
were sponsoring the child.

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00:03:03,500 --> 00:03:08,020

40
00:03:08,020 --> 00:03:13,690
Can I ask you were you born
into a Roman Catholic family?

41
00:03:13,690 --> 00:03:14,560
Yes.

42
00:03:14,560 --> 00:03:18,970
I was born into a Roman
Catholic family, which wasn't

43
00:03:18,970 --> 00:03:21,160
a pure Roman Catholic family.

44
00:03:21,160 --> 00:03:23,650
That's another story.

45
00:03:23,650 --> 00:03:25,330
Please tell me.

46
00:03:25,330 --> 00:03:27,460
What's involved with that?

47
00:03:27,460 --> 00:03:46,900
Well, my grandfather who
died quite young, in 1901

48
00:03:46,900 --> 00:03:51,460
was Carl Maria Von Schweitzer.

49
00:03:51,460 --> 00:03:54,150
He was still Von Schweitzer
then, [INAUDIBLE] Von

50
00:03:54,150 --> 00:03:56,050
Schweitzer, even.

51
00:03:56,050 --> 00:04:06,600
And he married this
Swedish [INAUDIBLE],,

52
00:04:06,600 --> 00:04:16,950
who was, of course, educated
as a Lutheran child in Sweden.

53
00:04:16,950 --> 00:04:21,540
And then her mother was, in
fact, an Austrian Catholic.

54
00:04:21,540 --> 00:04:24,900
But that's, again,
a background story.

55
00:04:24,900 --> 00:04:28,380
My grandfather, my
Swedish grandfather,

56
00:04:28,380 --> 00:04:38,820
Count Carl Gustav Von Wrangel
who was in the mid-'50s, last

57
00:04:38,820 --> 00:04:43,920
century, a young officer.

58
00:04:43,920 --> 00:04:46,290
In Sweden, there were no wars.

59
00:04:46,290 --> 00:04:51,420

So he came to Austria to
join the Austrian army,

60
00:04:51,420 --> 00:04:56,190
fighting the French
at that time in Italy.

61
00:04:56,190 --> 00:05:04,010
With -- who was the
leader, the boss of Italy.

62
00:05:04,010 --> 00:05:10,590
And he did well in
one of the battles.

63
00:05:10,590 --> 00:05:16,260
But he also had an affair with
his regimental commander's

64
00:05:16,260 --> 00:05:18,670
daughter, who was widowed.

65
00:05:18,670 --> 00:05:29,010
And then, the future
father-in-law lay down the law.

66
00:05:29,010 --> 00:05:32,610
In Austria, there
is no way that you

67
00:05:32,610 --> 00:05:39,180
can exist as an officer having
had a child with somebody

68
00:05:39,180 --> 00:05:40,770
not married to.

69
00:05:40,770 --> 00:05:46,140
And he was ordered
to leave Austria,

70
00:05:46,140 --> 00:05:50,050
was resigned from his

Austrian commission,

71
00:05:50,050 --> 00:05:56,810
and settled with his wife,
hopefully then married,

72
00:05:56,810 --> 00:05:57,910
in Sweden.

73
00:05:57,910 --> 00:06:00,380
And that's what happened.

74
00:06:00,380 --> 00:06:02,360
He did it.

75
00:06:02,360 --> 00:06:09,080
So this is a story from
the mid-19th century

76
00:06:09,080 --> 00:06:10,870
about your family?

77
00:06:10,870 --> 00:06:12,780
That's right.

78
00:06:12,780 --> 00:06:17,740
I mean, my family started, in
fact, in a fairly grand sort

79
00:06:17,740 --> 00:06:24,950
of way in Frankfurt a
century earlier, in 1750,

80
00:06:24,950 --> 00:06:33,760
when this young Italian lawyer
arrived from Verona in Italy,

81
00:06:33,760 --> 00:06:39,970
in Frankfurt, and married the
only daughter of the Arizina

82
00:06:39,970 --> 00:06:40,820

family.

83

00:06:40,820 --> 00:06:46,745

And then became--
well, his name,

84

00:06:46,745 --> 00:06:51,050

his surname, but Suacaria,
which was, of course,

85

00:06:51,050 --> 00:06:54,590

was for the German people
peculiar and difficult

86

00:06:54,590 --> 00:06:56,060

to pronounce.

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00:06:56,060 --> 00:06:59,330

So over the first
20 years before he

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00:06:59,330 --> 00:07:02,660

was allowed to become
a citizen of Frankfurt,

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00:07:02,660 --> 00:07:10,430

he gradually sort of Germanized
his name from Suacaria

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00:07:10,430 --> 00:07:14,307

to Schweitzer, which
means, in German, Swiss.

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00:07:14,307 --> 00:07:18,780

[LAUGHTER]

92

00:07:18,780 --> 00:07:21,910

But explain to me this.

93

00:07:21,910 --> 00:07:25,050

And it's something I've
always been curious about.

94

00:07:25,050 --> 00:07:29,700

How does one, in Germany,
become a Von anybody.

95

00:07:29,700 --> 00:07:34,820

So a Von Schweitzer, a
Von [PERSONAL NAME] a Von

96

00:07:34,820 --> 00:07:37,210

[PERSONAL NAME] and
so on, and so forth.

97

00:07:37,210 --> 00:07:40,690

And then how did it
become for your family?

98

00:07:40,690 --> 00:07:49,710

Well, as I said, this grand
founder of our family,

99

00:07:49,710 --> 00:07:55,100

young and bright,
married the only daughter

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00:07:55,100 --> 00:07:57,950

of the Arizina family.

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00:07:57,950 --> 00:08:00,820

And the Arizina
family were already

102

00:08:00,820 --> 00:08:03,600

a long settled Italian family.

103

00:08:03,600 --> 00:08:08,890

It was a whole community of
Italian traders in Frankfurt.

104

00:08:08,890 --> 00:08:14,270

And the Arizinas had a very
prosperous kind of business

105

00:08:14,270 --> 00:08:17,730
in French silks
and French fashions

106
00:08:17,730 --> 00:08:20,730
and that kind of thing.

107
00:08:20,730 --> 00:08:31,230
And so as my
great-great-grandmother

108
00:08:31,230 --> 00:08:35,090
was the only
daughter, the parents

109
00:08:35,090 --> 00:08:42,130
were anxious to completely
have her husband in.

110
00:08:42,130 --> 00:08:47,650
So he then, when he was
paying a lot of money

111
00:08:47,650 --> 00:08:53,330
to the Frankfurt
community, made a citizen,

112
00:08:53,330 --> 00:08:56,456
he was then Arizina
Von Schweitzer.

113
00:08:56,456 --> 00:08:59,450

114
00:08:59,450 --> 00:09:05,180
And of course, he was a
very capable entrepreneur.

115
00:09:05,180 --> 00:09:08,060
And he made that
Arizina business

116
00:09:08,060 --> 00:09:12,500

a very successful business
during his lifetime,

117
00:09:12,500 --> 00:09:16,580
which the family then
benefited for generations

118
00:09:16,580 --> 00:09:20,060
from the accumulated
capital, [INAUDIBLE]

119
00:09:20,060 --> 00:09:22,000
certainly by the time
of the First World War,

120
00:09:22,000 --> 00:09:24,115
had used it up completely.

121
00:09:24,115 --> 00:09:29,660
And that's when it became
a different kind of story.

122
00:09:29,660 --> 00:09:30,710
OK.

123
00:09:30,710 --> 00:09:32,430
Well, this is very interesting.

124
00:09:32,430 --> 00:09:36,110
It means that your
family has roots, really,

125
00:09:36,110 --> 00:09:38,470
very strong roots to Italy.

126
00:09:38,470 --> 00:09:39,320
Yes.

127
00:09:39,320 --> 00:09:42,040
Because the beginning
comes from there.

128

00:09:42,040 --> 00:09:48,760
And also to Sweden, because
there is a Swedish line.

129
00:09:48,760 --> 00:09:53,390
And the connection in
Frankfurt, in the mid--

130
00:09:53,390 --> 00:09:55,970
what would have been
the 18th century,

131
00:09:55,970 --> 00:09:58,980
it all starts in the
mid-18th century?

132
00:09:58,980 --> 00:10:01,210
Yeah, absolutely.

133
00:10:01,210 --> 00:10:02,090
OK.

134
00:10:02,090 --> 00:10:10,100
And one becomes a Von, a
more aristocratic person,

135
00:10:10,100 --> 00:10:11,520
in a variety of ways.

136
00:10:11,520 --> 00:10:16,130
And so this way was that
he was allowed to be Von

137
00:10:16,130 --> 00:10:18,980
when he became a citizen.

138
00:10:18,980 --> 00:10:19,740
Is this correct?

139
00:10:19,740 --> 00:10:20,240
No.

140

00:10:20,240 --> 00:10:20,510
No.

141
00:10:20,510 --> 00:10:21,010
No.

142
00:10:21,010 --> 00:10:22,910
It wasn't as simple as that.

143
00:10:22,910 --> 00:10:28,490
You have to make a much bigger
contribution to become a Von

144
00:10:28,490 --> 00:10:31,490
if you were coming from
nowhere, if you weren't already

145
00:10:31,490 --> 00:10:34,310
a titled kind of person.

146
00:10:34,310 --> 00:10:39,520
He obviously very much
improved the business.

147
00:10:39,520 --> 00:10:46,275
And he was a good time
in the late 18th century,

148
00:10:46,275 --> 00:10:48,830
his fellow Italians
moving around

149
00:10:48,830 --> 00:10:53,120
from all the different markets
all over southern Germany

150
00:10:53,120 --> 00:10:57,220
to sell all these wonderful
garments, material,

151
00:10:57,220 --> 00:11:02,120
that he was importing from
Italy and from France.

152
00:11:02,120 --> 00:11:06,790
And then there was the king
of Bavaria, who was then

153
00:11:06,790 --> 00:11:11,480
he was a king, who built
all these astounding castles

154
00:11:11,480 --> 00:11:14,330
all over the place in Bavaria.

155
00:11:14,330 --> 00:11:16,700
He always needed a lot of money.

156
00:11:16,700 --> 00:11:21,770
And Schweitzer was the one,
not perhaps the only one,

157
00:11:21,770 --> 00:11:25,610
who provided the king with
the loans, and with the money

158
00:11:25,610 --> 00:11:26,495
to fund.

159
00:11:26,495 --> 00:11:34,630
So eventually, he became
[INAUDIBLE] family became

160
00:11:34,630 --> 00:11:38,840
a Bavarian-titled family.

161
00:11:38,840 --> 00:11:42,950
Is this the mad King Leopold
that they talk about so much?

162
00:11:42,950 --> 00:11:46,280
Is this that particular king
who built all those castles?

163
00:11:46,280 --> 00:11:48,030

I think that is the one.

164
00:11:48,030 --> 00:11:50,300
I haven't checked up
in my history books.

165
00:11:50,300 --> 00:11:53,870
But it certainly was at
that time [INAUDIBLE]

166
00:11:53,870 --> 00:11:58,740
a great friend of Richard
Wagner at the time,

167
00:11:58,740 --> 00:12:03,440
or later, and
obviously, a bit manic.

168
00:12:03,440 --> 00:12:07,950

169
00:12:07,950 --> 00:12:09,870
Tell me this.

170
00:12:09,870 --> 00:12:14,760
In the beginning, it sounds
like pure Italian roots.

171
00:12:14,760 --> 00:12:19,320
And when was there intermarriage
with Germans or Austrians?

172
00:12:19,320 --> 00:12:22,170
And when did the family
move from Frankfurt

173
00:12:22,170 --> 00:12:25,110
to the place where
you were born?

174
00:12:25,110 --> 00:12:29,340
Well, I mean, our
family founder,

175
00:12:29,340 --> 00:12:34,230
he had 16 children
and four boys.

176
00:12:34,230 --> 00:12:37,980
But because there
was a lot of money

177
00:12:37,980 --> 00:12:43,320
and the boys wanted to become
titled people in their own way,

178
00:12:43,320 --> 00:12:49,450
they had to join some sort of
army as an officer to qualify.

179
00:12:49,450 --> 00:12:55,080
And so the eldest son
joined the French army.

180
00:12:55,080 --> 00:12:59,520
And the second son
joined the Russian army.

181
00:12:59,520 --> 00:13:01,800
And those became their--

182
00:13:01,800 --> 00:13:06,670
got their own titles in the
process or in due course.

183
00:13:06,670 --> 00:13:12,120
The father's money was there to
back them up in the meantime.

184
00:13:12,120 --> 00:13:16,020
And then the two
youngest sons were

185
00:13:16,020 --> 00:13:18,360
left to help with the business.

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00:13:18,360 --> 00:13:23,090

Because father was a very
activist person right until he

187

00:13:23,090 --> 00:13:29,330

was 90 years old, when he
actually died, and gave up.

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00:13:29,330 --> 00:13:31,360

And he was very enterprising.

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00:13:31,360 --> 00:13:34,670

He was a leading
figure in Frankfurt.

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00:13:34,670 --> 00:13:38,920

Curiously at that time, the
Goethe family was in Frankfurt.

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00:13:38,920 --> 00:13:40,910

The mother's parents were there.

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00:13:40,910 --> 00:13:43,670

And the Goethe boys
and the Schweitzer boys

193

00:13:43,670 --> 00:13:47,180

were sort of playing together.

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00:13:47,180 --> 00:13:49,830

Goethe boys with Goethe--

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00:13:49,830 --> 00:13:52,880

Wolfgang with Goethe--
complaining that the Schweitzer

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00:13:52,880 --> 00:13:55,730

boys were also
always dragging him

197

00:13:55,730 --> 00:13:57,920

to various Catholic services.

198
00:13:57,920 --> 00:13:59,190
And he had to attend.

199
00:13:59,190 --> 00:14:01,141
He couldn't just run away.

200
00:14:01,141 --> 00:14:04,440
[LAUGHS]

201
00:14:04,440 --> 00:14:11,010
And another story about
Goethe was that there

202
00:14:11,010 --> 00:14:12,600
was a golden wedding.

203
00:14:12,600 --> 00:14:19,290
The parents-in-law
of our founder

204
00:14:19,290 --> 00:14:23,740
had their 50th
wedding anniversary,

205
00:14:23,740 --> 00:14:26,700
which in those days was
almost a miracle with people

206
00:14:26,700 --> 00:14:28,410
weren't as old as that.

207
00:14:28,410 --> 00:14:32,670
And being a kind
of grand manager,

208
00:14:32,670 --> 00:14:36,790
he completely revamped
a country seat

209
00:14:36,790 --> 00:14:39,750
they had near the Main River.

210
00:14:39,750 --> 00:14:42,900
And all the world
was invited there.

211
00:14:42,900 --> 00:14:47,040
And young Goethe, who
was then a lawyer,

212
00:14:47,040 --> 00:14:50,910
also was invited because
of the family connection.

213
00:14:50,910 --> 00:14:52,520
And he got a medal.

214
00:14:52,520 --> 00:14:56,130
Everybody got a golden wedding--

215
00:14:56,130 --> 00:14:58,530
it was a silver medal.

216
00:14:58,530 --> 00:15:02,400
And then later on, Goethe
had one of his moments

217
00:15:02,400 --> 00:15:07,440
when he escaped from
the northern countries,

218
00:15:07,440 --> 00:15:08,910
and he went to Italy.

219
00:15:08,910 --> 00:15:12,210
And in Italy he
did what he usually

220
00:15:12,210 --> 00:15:17,610
did, sketch some sort of
interesting buildings.

221
00:15:17,610 --> 00:15:21,540

Happened to be a fortress.

222

00:15:21,540 --> 00:15:27,465

So he was arrested
by the Italians.

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00:15:27,465 --> 00:15:30,960

224

00:15:30,960 --> 00:15:36,300

And then we reduced it through
the golden wedding coin.

225

00:15:36,300 --> 00:15:39,020

And he was released.

226

00:15:39,020 --> 00:15:41,394

Ha!

227

00:15:41,394 --> 00:15:46,770

And he wrote about it in
his memories, memorial.

228

00:15:46,770 --> 00:15:48,450

Isn't that interesting?

229

00:15:48,450 --> 00:15:48,950

Yeah.

230

00:15:48,950 --> 00:15:52,930

231

00:15:52,930 --> 00:15:56,100

So your family, it
sounds like really

232

00:15:56,100 --> 00:16:04,790

was connected very closely with
the epitome of German culture,

233

00:16:04,790 --> 00:16:09,550

with persons who became very

well-known in German culture.

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00:16:09,550 --> 00:16:12,760

Whether this was Goethe,
whether this was Wagner,

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00:16:12,760 --> 00:16:19,930

whether this was other
people in that strata.

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00:16:19,930 --> 00:16:22,000

And how did you learn
of these stories?

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00:16:22,000 --> 00:16:25,630

Who told you these family
stories from generations past?

238

00:16:25,630 --> 00:16:29,590

Well, they were all public
stories, not only Goethe,

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00:16:29,590 --> 00:16:32,980

but other people, particularly
Frankfurt historians

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00:16:32,980 --> 00:16:34,930

and so on wrote about it.

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00:16:34,930 --> 00:16:37,850

But the biggest
problem was, of course,

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00:16:37,850 --> 00:16:41,770

that these were
Italians, you know.

243

00:16:41,770 --> 00:16:42,960

The Italians?

244

00:16:42,960 --> 00:16:47,920

I mean, Germans were really
looking down at the Italians.

245
00:16:47,920 --> 00:16:51,070
OK, they were artists
and that kind of thing.

246
00:16:51,070 --> 00:16:55,590
But these Schweitzers
weren't artists.

247
00:16:55,590 --> 00:16:57,040
They're in business.

248
00:16:57,040 --> 00:17:00,500
And that was part
of the problem,

249
00:17:00,500 --> 00:17:05,410
why the whole Italian colony
in Frankfurt was sort of--

250
00:17:05,410 --> 00:17:07,180
they weren't treated
like Jewish people,

251
00:17:07,180 --> 00:17:10,760
but they were certainly
just allowed to be there,

252
00:17:10,760 --> 00:17:13,510
not to be too much engaged.

253
00:17:13,510 --> 00:17:15,900
But gradually, of
course they assimilated.

254
00:17:15,900 --> 00:17:18,569
And but the first
few generations,

255
00:17:18,569 --> 00:17:22,579
they intermarried only.

256

00:17:22,579 --> 00:17:27,700
But then, Frankfurt became the
center of a united Germany,

257
00:17:27,700 --> 00:17:29,930
in the mid-19th century.

258
00:17:29,930 --> 00:17:40,850
Some Poles -- [AUDIO DROP OUT]

259
00:17:40,850 --> 00:17:42,570
Something's happened
with our sound.

260
00:17:42,570 --> 00:17:43,680
Can you hear me?

261
00:17:43,680 --> 00:17:46,020
Yes, I know.

262
00:17:46,020 --> 00:17:47,860
Sorry.

263
00:17:47,860 --> 00:17:49,800
that's-- go on now.

264
00:17:49,800 --> 00:17:50,300
OK.

265
00:17:50,300 --> 00:17:52,850
Something happened to
interrupt your thought.

266
00:17:52,850 --> 00:17:53,350
Yeah.

267
00:17:53,350 --> 00:17:55,010
Well, no.

268
00:17:55,010 --> 00:17:56,450
There was a voice coming out.

269

00:17:56,450 --> 00:17:58,655

I didn't know whether
you didn't hear it.

270

00:17:58,655 --> 00:17:59,420

Oh, yeah.

271

00:17:59,420 --> 00:18:00,830

No, I didn't hear it.

272

00:18:00,830 --> 00:18:02,040

The message.

273

00:18:02,040 --> 00:18:04,110

OK.

274

00:18:04,110 --> 00:18:05,760

Well, what happens,
you know, I think

275

00:18:05,760 --> 00:18:09,330

people in the future who will
be listening to our interview

276

00:18:09,330 --> 00:18:11,730

will forgive us that
sometimes this is not

277

00:18:11,730 --> 00:18:14,870

the same as an
in-studio interview,

278

00:18:14,870 --> 00:18:18,480

that there are some technical
glitches occasionally,

279

00:18:18,480 --> 00:18:22,680

and unexpected types
of interruptions.

280

00:18:22,680 --> 00:18:24,320

So--

281
00:18:24,320 --> 00:18:29,950
Frankfurt became the big
center of the German renewal.

282
00:18:29,950 --> 00:18:37,440
And that was very much
anti-Catholic, anti-Italian,

283
00:18:37,440 --> 00:18:43,270
anti-foreigners kind of
movement in the 19th century.

284
00:18:43,270 --> 00:18:47,870
And so the Schweitzers were,
and particularly our founder,

285
00:18:47,870 --> 00:18:53,140
was looked at with
some sort of--

286
00:18:53,140 --> 00:18:56,280
he didn't quite fit
the German picture.

287
00:18:56,280 --> 00:19:01,170
And in actual fact,
after his death,

288
00:19:01,170 --> 00:19:05,460
some Germans, a
researcher, came up

289
00:19:05,460 --> 00:19:10,050
with the idea, which
was then made official

290
00:19:10,050 --> 00:19:22,420
that our founder's father was
actually a German called--

291
00:19:22,420 --> 00:19:26,370

292
00:19:26,370 --> 00:19:27,390
what was his name?

293
00:19:27,390 --> 00:19:30,180

294
00:19:30,180 --> 00:19:31,410
I must think of it.

295
00:19:31,410 --> 00:19:33,030
At the moment I
can't think of it.

296
00:19:33,030 --> 00:19:33,790
It's OK.

297
00:19:33,790 --> 00:19:42,930
Which was then Italianized
in Verona to Suacaria.

298
00:19:42,930 --> 00:19:47,370
So in actual fact,
our founding family

299
00:19:47,370 --> 00:19:52,290
was, in fact, a
German immigrant.

300
00:19:52,290 --> 00:19:56,350
[LAUGHS]

301
00:19:56,350 --> 00:20:05,440
What a a convoluted kind
of circular explanation.

302
00:20:05,440 --> 00:20:08,620
But that was the
way it was then.

303
00:20:08,620 --> 00:20:10,780
I mean, it wasn't only

the Hitler time that

304

00:20:10,780 --> 00:20:14,380
started with Germany,
on "we Germans

305

00:20:14,380 --> 00:20:22,520
are so much better, so much more
cultured than everybody else."

306

00:20:22,520 --> 00:20:28,240
And so in fact there
was also another.

307

00:20:28,240 --> 00:20:30,970
Our founder, of course,
being also a very sort

308

00:20:30,970 --> 00:20:35,260
of outgoing kind of person.

309

00:20:35,260 --> 00:20:42,190
He built a huge Italian-style
palais in Frankfurt.

310

00:20:42,190 --> 00:20:47,720
And the town--

311

00:20:47,720 --> 00:20:48,700
Does it still stand?

312

00:20:48,700 --> 00:20:49,795
Is it still in existence?

313

00:20:49,795 --> 00:20:52,720
Oh, no, no, no, no, no, no.

314

00:20:52,720 --> 00:20:56,280
Things went from bad to worse.

315

00:20:56,280 --> 00:20:59,680
See, the sons, the

younger sons who

316
00:20:59,680 --> 00:21:05,870
survived their father
tried to get rid of it

317
00:21:05,870 --> 00:21:08,240
fairly quickly,
because it just didn't

318
00:21:08,240 --> 00:21:12,515
fit the new mood in Frankfurt,
and in their part of Germany.

319
00:21:12,515 --> 00:21:15,460

320
00:21:15,460 --> 00:21:20,870
And it was too big and
too formidable to use.

321
00:21:20,870 --> 00:21:24,980
But a local butcher bought it
and turned it into a famous

322
00:21:24,980 --> 00:21:31,090
hotel, the Hotel
[PLACE NAME] And then,

323
00:21:31,090 --> 00:21:35,530
when in the mid-'50s, when all--

324
00:21:35,530 --> 00:21:40,290
the king of England,
the Austrian emperor.

325
00:21:40,290 --> 00:21:43,650
And everybody now stayed at
this beautiful hotel, who

326
00:21:43,650 --> 00:21:45,840
had a decent bathroom, and--

327

00:21:45,840 --> 00:21:50,440
[LAUGHS]

328

00:21:50,440 --> 00:21:56,620
But then, these unity
[INAUDIBLE] talks

329

00:21:56,620 --> 00:21:57,940
went on the rocks.

330

00:21:57,940 --> 00:22:06,850
There was a war between Prussia
and Austria in 1863, I think.

331

00:22:06,850 --> 00:22:11,770
And still, the Austrians
were beaten at [PLACE NAME]

332

00:22:11,770 --> 00:22:13,540
very solidly beaten.

333

00:22:13,540 --> 00:22:23,905
And Bismarck and [INAUDIBLE] the
opportunity to occupy Frankfurt

334

00:22:23,905 --> 00:22:29,280
and annexed it as their border
town, the southern border town.

335

00:22:29,280 --> 00:22:34,960
And of course, that was the end
of the great time of Frankfurt.

336

00:22:34,960 --> 00:22:37,560
But what did stay
in Frankfurt, and I

337

00:22:37,560 --> 00:22:39,720
think the Schweitzers
had a partner here,

338

00:22:39,720 --> 00:22:43,735

is that it was a German
financial center.

339
00:22:43,735 --> 00:22:45,730
Of course, it will
also be Jewish.

340
00:22:45,730 --> 00:22:49,800

341
00:22:49,800 --> 00:22:50,850
People there.

342
00:22:50,850 --> 00:22:59,150
And Frankfurt still is the
finance center of Germany.

343
00:22:59,150 --> 00:22:59,650
But--

344
00:22:59,650 --> 00:23:00,890
Then--

345
00:23:00,890 --> 00:23:02,890
Sorry.

346
00:23:02,890 --> 00:23:05,440
Does this mean-- excuse
me for interrupting--

347
00:23:05,440 --> 00:23:09,580
does this mean that your
family left Frankfurt

348
00:23:09,580 --> 00:23:11,860
after German reunification?

349
00:23:11,860 --> 00:23:16,850
And if my memory doesn't fail
me, wasn't that around 1870

350
00:23:16,850 --> 00:23:18,610

that Germany was unified?

351
00:23:18,610 --> 00:23:19,110
Yeah.

352
00:23:19,110 --> 00:23:20,780
Sometime around then?

353
00:23:20,780 --> 00:23:24,190
Well, you know,
obviously by that time,

354
00:23:24,190 --> 00:23:28,175
the Schweitzer family was
a fairly widespread kind

355
00:23:28,175 --> 00:23:28,675
of family.

356
00:23:28,675 --> 00:23:32,390

357
00:23:32,390 --> 00:23:39,870
Our particular ancestor
left Frankfurt in 1850

358
00:23:39,870 --> 00:23:43,620
to have a military
career in Austria,

359
00:23:43,620 --> 00:23:47,610
because Austria was busy having
these wars, and in Italy.

360
00:23:47,610 --> 00:23:51,240
So there was some
sort of heroism

361
00:23:51,240 --> 00:23:56,060
to be gained in those parts.

362
00:23:56,060 --> 00:24:11,390

But one of the cousins
who stayed in Frankfurt,

363
00:24:11,390 --> 00:24:17,740
he was educated by
the Franciscans in --

364
00:24:17,740 --> 00:24:21,760
And as a consequence, he
became very anti-religious.

365
00:24:21,760 --> 00:24:23,530
He became a lawyer.

366
00:24:23,530 --> 00:24:26,020
And he became one of
the great founders

367
00:24:26,020 --> 00:24:30,000
of the German Democratic Party.

368
00:24:30,000 --> 00:24:31,620
Which party?

369
00:24:31,620 --> 00:24:35,737
Would this be if we're
talking current parties?

370
00:24:35,737 --> 00:24:36,570
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

371
00:24:36,570 --> 00:24:38,430
--now the 1860s.

372
00:24:38,430 --> 00:24:44,510
And he was the leader of
the Social Democratic Party

373
00:24:44,510 --> 00:24:51,330
when Bismarck introduced
a parliament--

374

00:24:51,330 --> 00:24:55,910
a Prussian-German-- the
new German parliament.

375
00:24:55,910 --> 00:24:57,470
Well, that's interesting.

376
00:24:57,470 --> 00:24:58,830
That's very interesting.

377
00:24:58,830 --> 00:25:03,650
So this is the branch of the
family that stays in Frankfurt.

378
00:25:03,650 --> 00:25:05,150
One of the branches.

379
00:25:05,150 --> 00:25:08,300
Most of the branches
sort of only

380
00:25:08,300 --> 00:25:10,680
survived not by the
name of Schweitzer,

381
00:25:10,680 --> 00:25:17,960
but by the name of what
the daughters married into.

382
00:25:17,960 --> 00:25:22,730
We are [? occupied. ?]
By the First World War,

383
00:25:22,730 --> 00:25:27,466
our branch was the only
surviving male line.

384
00:25:27,466 --> 00:25:29,360
And we were then, of
course, In Austria.

385
00:25:29,360 --> 00:25:32,810

386
00:25:32,810 --> 00:25:37,420
Remind me again of the name
of the founder of your family?

387
00:25:37,420 --> 00:25:40,220
I know you gave me
the Italian name.

388
00:25:40,220 --> 00:25:42,860
But his first name--
and let's spell it out.

389
00:25:42,860 --> 00:25:46,850
And then the name of
your direct ancestor.

390
00:25:46,850 --> 00:25:50,750
Was that one of
his younger sons?

391
00:25:50,750 --> 00:25:55,600
And what that
ancestor's name was.

392
00:25:55,600 --> 00:26:02,095
Now I haven't got all my
information immediately handy.

393
00:26:02,095 --> 00:26:09,680

394
00:26:09,680 --> 00:26:12,490
No, it isn't
completely important.

395
00:26:12,490 --> 00:26:15,450
I just thought you might
know off the top of your head

396
00:26:15,450 --> 00:26:21,358
the name of the original
founder, and how we spell it.

397
00:26:21,358 --> 00:26:21,900
The Suacaria?

398
00:26:21,900 --> 00:26:22,820
The Italian.

399
00:26:22,820 --> 00:26:23,960
Yeah, yeah.

400
00:26:23,960 --> 00:26:24,750
Yeah.

401
00:26:24,750 --> 00:26:31,495
S-A-C-A-- no.

402
00:26:31,495 --> 00:26:40,250
S-U-A-C-A-R-I-A. Suacaria.

403
00:26:40,250 --> 00:26:43,180
And what was his first name?

404
00:26:43,180 --> 00:26:46,090
Yeah, what's his name first?

405
00:26:46,090 --> 00:26:47,837
Can't even think of that now.

406
00:26:47,837 --> 00:26:48,910
[INAUDIBLE]

407
00:26:48,910 --> 00:26:49,410
No.

408
00:26:49,410 --> 00:26:52,630

409
00:26:52,630 --> 00:26:54,010
I have to think of it, again.

410

00:26:54,010 --> 00:26:57,950
You know, but mainly his
name is so uncertain.

411
00:26:57,950 --> 00:26:59,280
I don't know.

412
00:26:59,280 --> 00:27:00,150
It's OK.

413
00:27:00,150 --> 00:27:01,390
It's OK.

414
00:27:01,390 --> 00:27:04,210
I think it was Francisco.

415
00:27:04,210 --> 00:27:05,240
OK.

416
00:27:05,240 --> 00:27:08,050
OK.

417
00:27:08,050 --> 00:27:11,470
And then your direct
ancestor, was he,

418
00:27:11,470 --> 00:27:13,840
as I say, one of
those younger sons

419
00:27:13,840 --> 00:27:18,690
who had stayed in Frankfurt, if
it was through the male line?

420
00:27:18,690 --> 00:27:20,170
You remember that
you said he had

421
00:27:20,170 --> 00:27:23,140
four sons, one who
joined the French Army,

422

00:27:23,140 --> 00:27:25,930
one who joined the
Russian, and two who stayed

423
00:27:25,930 --> 00:27:27,470
to help with the business.

424
00:27:27,470 --> 00:27:27,970
No.

425
00:27:27,970 --> 00:27:30,955
My-- my ancestor--

426
00:27:30,955 --> 00:27:34,170
our particular ancestor-- was,
in fact, the youngest son.

427
00:27:34,170 --> 00:27:37,550

428
00:27:37,550 --> 00:27:43,330
There is, in fact, a
painting-- a huge painting--

429
00:27:43,330 --> 00:27:48,340
that has sort of gone from
generation to generation

430
00:27:48,340 --> 00:27:53,430
to the eldest son, which
is about 1 meter 60

431
00:27:53,430 --> 00:27:58,890
high, and at least
1 meter 20 wide,

432
00:27:58,890 --> 00:28:04,960
which shows the original
Schweitzer family for part

433
00:28:04,960 --> 00:28:13,180
of it, that father Francisco at
the back, with beautiful dress;

434

00:28:13,180 --> 00:28:25,990

his wife, Arizina, with
a baby, holding a baby;

435

00:28:25,990 --> 00:28:31,260

and four other children who are
dressed as soldiers, and that;

436

00:28:31,260 --> 00:28:35,920

and girls dressed in
beautiful dresses around.

437

00:28:35,920 --> 00:28:38,646

438

00:28:38,646 --> 00:28:42,490

A very detailed painting.

439

00:28:42,490 --> 00:28:44,590

People really sort
of look at you.

440

00:28:44,590 --> 00:28:48,010

You feel they're looking at you.

441

00:28:48,010 --> 00:28:56,150

The strange thing is that the
painter of that is unknown.

442

00:28:56,150 --> 00:29:01,370

I mean, that painting came right
down through the family to me.

443

00:29:01,370 --> 00:29:04,300

I had it even with
us in South Africa.

444

00:29:04,300 --> 00:29:08,710

But when we were coming
back from South Africa,

445

00:29:08,710 --> 00:29:14,345
the Frankfurt museum were
so anxious to have it,

446
00:29:14,345 --> 00:29:17,870
that they had been loaned
to them by my stepmother

447
00:29:17,870 --> 00:29:23,900
in Germany after the war
It's a unique painting

448
00:29:23,900 --> 00:29:26,560
in many, many different ways.

449
00:29:26,560 --> 00:29:33,190
And so I made it over
to the Frankfurt museum

450
00:29:33,190 --> 00:29:34,160
about 10 years ago.

451
00:29:34,160 --> 00:29:38,060

452
00:29:38,060 --> 00:29:41,890
Then clearly it's part
of their holdings.

453
00:29:41,890 --> 00:29:43,443
Has it been displayed?

454
00:29:43,443 --> 00:29:43,985
Do you know--

455
00:29:43,985 --> 00:29:44,485
Yes--

456
00:29:44,485 --> 00:29:45,440
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

457
00:29:45,440 --> 00:29:46,940

It's on full display.

458

00:29:46,940 --> 00:29:50,680

I haven't been back to
see it there on display.

459

00:29:50,680 --> 00:29:55,150

But it's obviously
a magnificent piece.

460

00:29:55,150 --> 00:29:57,650

And I mean, how
we ever fitted it,

461

00:29:57,650 --> 00:30:00,280

particularly in the
early post-war years,

462

00:30:00,280 --> 00:30:02,330

how my mother-in-law
actually managed

463

00:30:02,330 --> 00:30:06,620

to fit it into all
the different places

464

00:30:06,620 --> 00:30:10,550

the family then lived
in is totally amazing.

465

00:30:10,550 --> 00:30:15,390

I mean, she came from
a well-to-do family.

466

00:30:15,390 --> 00:30:19,490

Her father was one
of the greatest lung

467

00:30:19,490 --> 00:30:22,170

surgeons in Germany.

468

00:30:22,170 --> 00:30:27,910

And he was a very,

very money-saving guy.

469
00:30:27,910 --> 00:30:32,195
So she had, in fact,
did the whole painting--

470
00:30:32,195 --> 00:30:35,094

471
00:30:35,094 --> 00:30:37,424
what do you--

472
00:30:37,424 --> 00:30:38,476
Restored.

473
00:30:38,476 --> 00:30:39,370
Yeah, restored.

474
00:30:39,370 --> 00:30:39,900
Yes.

475
00:30:39,900 --> 00:30:41,720
Restored after the war.

476
00:30:41,720 --> 00:30:43,340
Paid a lot of money for it.

477
00:30:43,340 --> 00:30:46,820
I've got all the
details of that.

478
00:30:46,820 --> 00:30:50,000
And so the Frankfurt
museum they were only too

479
00:30:50,000 --> 00:30:54,260
happy then to have it, because
it was done by somebody

480
00:30:54,260 --> 00:30:57,150
they would have also
trusted to restore

481
00:30:57,150 --> 00:31:00,111
it, some artist in
Frankfurt, actually.

482
00:31:00,111 --> 00:31:02,940

483
00:31:02,940 --> 00:31:08,700
What a unique and
in many ways telling

484
00:31:08,700 --> 00:31:15,360
symbol artifact of your
own family history,

485
00:31:15,360 --> 00:31:17,910
a painting such as this.

486
00:31:17,910 --> 00:31:21,520
And there are few people--

487
00:31:21,520 --> 00:31:22,740
I mean, there are some.

488
00:31:22,740 --> 00:31:28,560
But there are few people who
are so closely acquainted

489
00:31:28,560 --> 00:31:30,720
with the history and
the personalities

490
00:31:30,720 --> 00:31:32,630
of their ancestors.

491
00:31:32,630 --> 00:31:35,670
You seem to know much more
about even those who would be

492
00:31:35,670 --> 00:31:41,160
great-great-great-grandfather or

grandmother than many of us do

493

00:31:41,160 --> 00:31:44,310
way back into the 18th century.

494

00:31:44,310 --> 00:31:47,700
And not only that they existed,
but what kind of people

495

00:31:47,700 --> 00:31:52,260
they were, that the founder
was a large, magnanimous,

496

00:31:52,260 --> 00:31:57,810
successful, open kind of
extroverted personality

497

00:31:57,810 --> 00:32:02,460
who has a 50th anniversary where
he gives Goethe a medal that

498

00:32:02,460 --> 00:32:05,310
gets him out of prison.

499

00:32:05,310 --> 00:32:06,660
This is a story!

500

00:32:06,660 --> 00:32:08,030
This is quite a story!

501

00:32:08,030 --> 00:32:10,090
It's an amazing story.

502

00:32:10,090 --> 00:32:12,480
It's an amazing story.

503

00:32:12,480 --> 00:32:15,150
And I mean, he did a
lot of other things.

504

00:32:15,150 --> 00:32:20,115
I mean he introduced Italian

ice cream to Frankfurt.

505
00:32:20,115 --> 00:32:25,050
[LAUGHTER]

506
00:32:25,050 --> 00:32:28,230
So then bring us
more up to date.

507
00:32:28,230 --> 00:32:30,510
So your family settles.

508
00:32:30,510 --> 00:32:36,570
The youngest son joins
the Austro-Hungarian Army.

509
00:32:36,570 --> 00:32:39,050
Do you need to pay
attention to something else?

510
00:32:39,050 --> 00:32:40,310
No, it's not the son.

511
00:32:40,310 --> 00:32:42,138
It's the grandson.

512
00:32:42,138 --> 00:32:42,680
The grandson.

513
00:32:42,680 --> 00:32:46,570

514
00:32:46,570 --> 00:32:47,070
Yeah.

515
00:32:47,070 --> 00:32:49,740

516
00:32:49,740 --> 00:32:56,660
He was the son of the
youngest son of the founder.

517

00:32:56,660 --> 00:32:59,240

And who is he to you.

518

00:32:59,240 --> 00:33:03,092

The grandson of the founder
was your grandfather,

519

00:33:03,092 --> 00:33:04,165

or great-grandmother.

520

00:33:04,165 --> 00:33:06,170

My great-grandfather.

521

00:33:06,170 --> 00:33:10,790

Or maybe even my
great-great grandfather.

522

00:33:10,790 --> 00:33:16,850

I'm a little bit uncertain
how to work it all out.

523

00:33:16,850 --> 00:33:24,580

524

00:33:24,580 --> 00:33:25,550

Let's see.

525

00:33:25,550 --> 00:33:31,850

So he's the one who becomes part
of the Austro-Hungarian Army.

526

00:33:31,850 --> 00:33:35,000

And eventually does he
settle in the village where

527

00:33:35,000 --> 00:33:37,390

you were born, or the
town where you want?

528

00:33:37,390 --> 00:33:38,120

Well, no.

529

00:33:38,120 --> 00:33:42,880

I mean he became an officer.

530

00:33:42,880 --> 00:33:44,610

I'm not quite sure
whether it was

531

00:33:44,610 --> 00:33:49,460

a captain or a major
in the army, part

532

00:33:49,460 --> 00:33:52,800

of the Austrian Army.

533

00:33:52,800 --> 00:33:57,680

And with that, he could then
make a professional appearance

534

00:33:57,680 --> 00:33:58,810

in Vienna.

535

00:33:58,810 --> 00:34:05,970

And in Vienna he was
obviously looking

536

00:34:05,970 --> 00:34:11,760

for a wife who would meet his
personal now new established

537

00:34:11,760 --> 00:34:13,080

standing.

538

00:34:13,080 --> 00:34:17,780

And so he met my
great-grandmother,

539

00:34:17,780 --> 00:34:22,500

Ida [PERSONAL NAME] Her father
was the first treasurer,

540

00:34:22,500 --> 00:34:29,460

or first imperial treasurer

of the Austrian Empire.

541
00:34:29,460 --> 00:34:33,060
And then married him.

542
00:34:33,060 --> 00:34:35,860

543
00:34:35,860 --> 00:34:41,469
Her father, later,
when he had retired,

544
00:34:41,469 --> 00:34:45,070
he bought up a Schloss--

545
00:34:45,070 --> 00:34:48,100
castle-- no, not castle.

546
00:34:48,100 --> 00:34:53,360
An estate 70 k's
outside Vienna--

547
00:34:53,360 --> 00:34:55,520
Gneixendorf.

548
00:34:55,520 --> 00:35:00,440
And which was then a Schloss.

549
00:35:00,440 --> 00:35:03,150
Gneixendorf it was named for.

550
00:35:03,150 --> 00:35:10,400
And with that, of course,
my great-grandfather,

551
00:35:10,400 --> 00:35:15,860
he inevitably became, actually,
co-owner, because his wife

552
00:35:15,860 --> 00:35:18,890
kept possession of her castle.

553

00:35:18,890 --> 00:35:23,660

But our family, their
children grew up--

554

00:35:23,660 --> 00:35:26,570

were born and grew
up in Gneixendorf.

555

00:35:26,570 --> 00:35:30,330

556

00:35:30,330 --> 00:35:35,460

Tell me a little bit
about Gneixendorf.

557

00:35:35,460 --> 00:35:38,880

Tell me what does it look like.

558

00:35:38,880 --> 00:35:39,970

Is it a village?

559

00:35:39,970 --> 00:35:40,890

Is it a town?

560

00:35:40,890 --> 00:35:46,140

Is it just a castle and
some surrounding forests?

561

00:35:46,140 --> 00:35:48,270

Describe it for me a little bit.

562

00:35:48,270 --> 00:35:53,670

Well, the castle and the
village are sort of connected.

563

00:35:53,670 --> 00:35:59,610

I mean, in the
14th, 15th century

564

00:35:59,610 --> 00:36:03,480

this was a sort
of a boundary area

565

00:36:03,480 --> 00:36:09,240
between Eastern influences,
the Hungarian, Turkish--

566

00:36:09,240 --> 00:36:14,520
I mean, Vienna, I
think, was twice

567

00:36:14,520 --> 00:36:22,200
surrounded by the
Turkish empire people.

568

00:36:22,200 --> 00:36:26,080
And the Catholic orders--

569

00:36:26,080 --> 00:36:30,820
[INAUDIBLE] brothers-- the
Catholic brothers-- were then

570

00:36:30,820 --> 00:36:34,430
sort of regaining the land.

571

00:36:34,430 --> 00:36:39,710
And they [INAUDIBLE] building
their [INAUDIBLE] in that

572

00:36:39,710 --> 00:36:48,740
particular area along the
Danube there are a lot of these

573

00:36:48,740 --> 00:36:51,770
[? cloister ?] [PLACE NAME],,
[? cloister ?] [PLACE NAME],,

574

00:36:51,770 --> 00:36:58,560
huge, enormous monasteries
on rocks, you know, built.

575

00:36:58,560 --> 00:37:03,710
And this place in Gneixendorf,
it was actually called

576

00:37:03,710 --> 00:37:04,820

Wasserhof--

577

00:37:04,820 --> 00:37:07,850

Water-hof-- which was a
rather ironical thing,

578

00:37:07,850 --> 00:37:11,020

because if there's one thing
that was scarce up there,

579

00:37:11,020 --> 00:37:12,708

it was water.

580

00:37:12,708 --> 00:37:16,800

[LAUGHTER]

581

00:37:16,800 --> 00:37:20,330

582

00:37:20,330 --> 00:37:28,090

So that was then
established, and became.

583

00:37:28,090 --> 00:37:30,760

And obviously, a
village grew around it

584

00:37:30,760 --> 00:37:33,140

with the people
having their holdings,

585

00:37:33,140 --> 00:37:41,595

and having to make deliveries
to the landowners that was first

586

00:37:41,595 --> 00:37:43,300

in monasteries.

587

00:37:43,300 --> 00:37:48,400

But when Napoleon reigned
in the early 19th century,

588
00:37:48,400 --> 00:37:51,255
and all that was--

589
00:37:51,255 --> 00:37:53,040
what do you call it?--

590
00:37:53,040 --> 00:37:58,716
not naturalized,
but definitely the--

591
00:37:58,716 --> 00:38:00,150
Confiscated!

592
00:38:00,150 --> 00:38:01,590
[LAUGHS]

593
00:38:01,590 --> 00:38:06,180
[INAUDIBLE] the
nuns and the monks

594
00:38:06,180 --> 00:38:12,410
went back to their
standard places.

595
00:38:12,410 --> 00:38:18,650
And it became then something
to be bought by people.

596
00:38:18,650 --> 00:38:21,270
And this Schloss
Gneixendorf was then

597
00:38:21,270 --> 00:38:26,360
bought by a guy
called Beethoven.

598
00:38:26,360 --> 00:38:27,540
No!

599
00:38:27,540 --> 00:38:28,490
Yeah.

600
00:38:28,490 --> 00:38:29,740
Really?

601
00:38:29,740 --> 00:38:34,330
It wasn't a composer, but
it was his younger brother,

602
00:38:34,330 --> 00:38:37,510
who had made a lot
of money supplying

603
00:38:37,510 --> 00:38:43,480
all these various armies during
the wars with their bandages

604
00:38:43,480 --> 00:38:49,165
and whatever medical
requirements they had.

605
00:38:49,165 --> 00:38:51,860
So he was basically rich.

606
00:38:51,860 --> 00:38:54,610
So he bought
Schloss Gneixendorf.

607
00:38:54,610 --> 00:39:00,220
And he invited his brother later
in his brother's life actually

608
00:39:00,220 --> 00:39:01,170
to Gneixendorf.

609
00:39:01,170 --> 00:39:04,166
And that's another story that--

610
00:39:04,166 --> 00:39:08,020
Well, I'm going to
want to hear it so.

611
00:39:08,020 --> 00:39:16,240

So in other words, Ludwig van Beethoven was in your castle.

612
00:39:16,240 --> 00:39:17,920
Lived in your castle.

613
00:39:17,920 --> 00:39:22,965
Yeah, that's right,
for about three months.

614
00:39:22,965 --> 00:39:24,340
And then, of
course, by that time

615
00:39:24,340 --> 00:39:28,120
he was already almost--
well, we was deaf by then,

616
00:39:28,120 --> 00:39:29,290
because it was later.

617
00:39:29,290 --> 00:39:34,480
It was 1826.

618
00:39:34,480 --> 00:39:40,520
And so every conversation had
to be written down to be--

619
00:39:40,520 --> 00:39:44,360
it was in writing, for
him to be able to play

620
00:39:44,360 --> 00:39:45,960
a part in the conversation.

621
00:39:45,960 --> 00:39:51,730
And all those books
notes have been left.

622
00:39:51,730 --> 00:39:55,030
And of course after
Beethoven's death,

623

00:39:55,030 --> 00:39:57,910

they became a holy
treasure-- not

624

00:39:57,910 --> 00:40:02,860

of the Schweitzer's, but with
his associates in Vienna.

625

00:40:02,860 --> 00:40:08,050

626

00:40:08,050 --> 00:40:08,800

Unbelievable.

627

00:40:08,800 --> 00:40:10,090

Truly unbelievable.

628

00:40:10,090 --> 00:40:15,340

So the von Schweitzers have
interactions with Beethoven,

629

00:40:15,340 --> 00:40:17,666

with Goethe.

630

00:40:17,666 --> 00:40:18,327

I know.

631

00:40:18,327 --> 00:40:18,827

Yeah.

632

00:40:18,827 --> 00:40:19,721

Overwhelming.

633

00:40:19,721 --> 00:40:22,260

634

00:40:22,260 --> 00:40:29,920

So when did Ludwig's younger
brother sell the castle,

635

00:40:29,920 --> 00:40:33,820

and when did your
great-grandfather buy it?

636
00:40:33,820 --> 00:40:37,900
Do you know approximately
when that was?

637
00:40:37,900 --> 00:40:41,440
I think he brought it in--

638
00:40:41,440 --> 00:40:44,500
I mean, I'm speaking
now off the record.

639
00:40:44,500 --> 00:40:47,162
I think in 1847 he bought it.

640
00:40:47,162 --> 00:40:52,000
I can take it up, and we
can correct it if necessary.

641
00:40:52,000 --> 00:41:01,770
But I mean he was retiring
from being the treasurer

642
00:41:01,770 --> 00:41:03,420
of the [INAUDIBLE].

643
00:41:03,420 --> 00:41:05,960
But before he'd
become the treasurer,

644
00:41:05,960 --> 00:41:10,720
he had been administrator
of huge imperial estates

645
00:41:10,720 --> 00:41:12,620
in Moravia.

646
00:41:12,620 --> 00:41:16,850
And so he was a very
experienced agriculturalist.

647

00:41:16,850 --> 00:41:20,680
And he certainly made his mark
on the land, and of course

648

00:41:20,680 --> 00:41:23,260
on the village, because
automatically he became

649

00:41:23,260 --> 00:41:24,680
the major of the village.

650

00:41:24,680 --> 00:41:26,230
And he sorted them out.

651

00:41:26,230 --> 00:41:29,530
But then he died
before his daughter--

652

00:41:29,530 --> 00:41:32,860
his only daughter-- married
the Schweitzer [INAUDIBLE]..

653

00:41:32,860 --> 00:41:39,230
So he then had that [INAUDIBLE],,
which of course ladies

654

00:41:39,230 --> 00:41:41,660
weren't allowed to
do anything serious--

655

00:41:41,660 --> 00:41:44,220
studying or learning, so on.

656

00:41:44,220 --> 00:41:48,870
So my
great-great-great-grandfather

657

00:41:48,870 --> 00:41:50,000
wasn't also.

658

00:41:50,000 --> 00:41:54,740
I mean, he had no

agricultural beginning.

659
00:41:54,740 --> 00:41:58,250
But the father-in-law,
having set it up well.

660
00:41:58,250 --> 00:42:01,640
So then they had
some administrators

661
00:42:01,640 --> 00:42:02,960
to run it for them.

662
00:42:02,960 --> 00:42:05,810
And of course there was the
money from Frankfurt anyway.

663
00:42:05,810 --> 00:42:08,840
So there wasn't any
particular urgency

664
00:42:08,840 --> 00:42:13,970
to make money out of the
estate at that stage.

665
00:42:13,970 --> 00:42:17,660
But then my grandfather,
unfortunately, he

666
00:42:17,660 --> 00:42:20,210
died very young.

667
00:42:20,210 --> 00:42:22,860
He also became a lawyer.

668
00:42:22,860 --> 00:42:25,120
Again, that was a
Schweitzer tradition,

669
00:42:25,120 --> 00:42:29,040
that every other
generation became lawyers.

670

00:42:29,040 --> 00:42:32,810

And some of the people
I haven't mentioned,

671

00:42:32,810 --> 00:42:37,360

some of the brothers, became,
after the first generation,

672

00:42:37,360 --> 00:42:43,145

second generation, became mayors
and leading Frankfurt citizens.

673

00:42:43,145 --> 00:42:45,760

674

00:42:45,760 --> 00:42:51,590

But gradually they were absorbed
in the German landscape.

675

00:42:51,590 --> 00:42:55,580

676

00:42:55,580 --> 00:42:58,310

The gentleman whose
daughter marries

677

00:42:58,310 --> 00:43:01,820

into the Schweitzer
family, the one who buys

678

00:43:01,820 --> 00:43:04,400

this, what was his last name?

679

00:43:04,400 --> 00:43:07,020

The one who bought the castle?

680

00:43:07,020 --> 00:43:10,550

The Schloss in Gneixendorf?

681

00:43:10,550 --> 00:43:11,800

Because it wasn't Schweitzer.

682
00:43:11,800 --> 00:43:13,770
It was something else.

683
00:43:13,770 --> 00:43:15,080
That's right he was a Kaleyle.

684
00:43:15,080 --> 00:43:18,952

685
00:43:18,952 --> 00:43:20,570
He gave me his first name.

686
00:43:20,570 --> 00:43:23,635

687
00:43:23,635 --> 00:43:24,770
That's OK.

688
00:43:24,770 --> 00:43:26,490
How do I spell the last name?

689
00:43:26,490 --> 00:43:31,430
Kaleyle-- K-A-L-E-Y-L-E.

690
00:43:31,430 --> 00:43:32,200
Kaleyle.

691
00:43:32,200 --> 00:43:34,130
OK.

692
00:43:34,130 --> 00:43:36,830
I mean, we know much
about the family.

693
00:43:36,830 --> 00:43:41,960
I mean, they originally pub
owners in a village in Baden,

694
00:43:41,960 --> 00:43:45,830
on the Black Forest, on
the [INAUDIBLE] other side

695
00:43:45,830 --> 00:43:48,350
of the Black Forest.

696
00:43:48,350 --> 00:43:53,010
That was, in fact, an
Austrian possession.

697
00:43:53,010 --> 00:43:58,140
And so, obviously, it was
natural for an upstart

698
00:43:58,140 --> 00:44:04,050
from a well-to-do village
pub to go to Vienna.

699
00:44:04,050 --> 00:44:06,570
And he was then
administrator-- in fact,

700
00:44:06,570 --> 00:44:09,480
there were two generations
who were administrators

701
00:44:09,480 --> 00:44:12,420
for various archdukes,
mainly in Moravia,

702
00:44:12,420 --> 00:44:17,280
which was a kind of
honey or breadbasket

703
00:44:17,280 --> 00:44:20,031
of the Austrian
empire in those days.

704
00:44:20,031 --> 00:44:26,940
And so that's how
the Kaleyles came in.

705
00:44:26,940 --> 00:44:29,730
But they also became
fairly renown.

706
00:44:29,730 --> 00:44:32,190
If you go to
Wikipedia and so on,

707
00:44:32,190 --> 00:44:42,385
you can look up a lot of people,
like grandfather, Count--

708
00:44:42,385 --> 00:44:47,470

709
00:44:47,470 --> 00:44:48,660
It'll come.

710
00:44:48,660 --> 00:44:52,060
It'll come to you.

711
00:44:52,060 --> 00:44:54,590
It's amazing, the
Frankfurt people.

712
00:44:54,590 --> 00:45:01,270
Yeah, Wikipedia, a lot of my
records I got from Wikipedia,

713
00:45:01,270 --> 00:45:08,530
because there are official
records or paintings that that

714
00:45:08,530 --> 00:45:12,640
obviously have
been royalty of, --

715
00:45:12,640 --> 00:45:14,500
including, of
course, that painting

716
00:45:14,500 --> 00:45:20,970
of the original founder
with the children.

717

00:45:20,970 --> 00:45:23,640
I mean, that [INAUDIBLE]
itself, painting with children.

718
00:45:23,640 --> 00:45:26,110
I mean that wasn't
done in those days.

719
00:45:26,110 --> 00:45:28,010
I mean children.

720
00:45:28,010 --> 00:45:32,050
[LAUGHS]

721
00:45:32,050 --> 00:45:33,600
Only royal children.

722
00:45:33,600 --> 00:45:38,400
Only royal children were
painted in those days.

723
00:45:38,400 --> 00:45:40,600
Not anybody else's.

724
00:45:40,600 --> 00:45:41,830
So this is quite unusual.

725
00:45:41,830 --> 00:45:45,850

726
00:45:45,850 --> 00:45:49,620
Being again head of
the what you might

727
00:45:49,620 --> 00:45:54,090
call the Catholic
minority of Frankfurt,

728
00:45:54,090 --> 00:45:55,440
which had a big cathedral--

729
00:45:55,440 --> 00:45:58,160

730
00:45:58,160 --> 00:46:02,800
emperor kind of
cathedrals, from going back

731
00:46:02,800 --> 00:46:05,950
to the 12th century
and all that.

732
00:46:05,950 --> 00:46:08,740
And the Schweitzer family had--

733
00:46:08,740 --> 00:46:11,770
I remember as a
schoolboy I went there--

734
00:46:11,770 --> 00:46:18,840
had a huge tableau,
a black big stone,

735
00:46:18,840 --> 00:46:24,190
had a tableau on one
of the side walls,

736
00:46:24,190 --> 00:46:29,820
which was totally out
of line with the saints,

737
00:46:29,820 --> 00:46:35,830
and the past bishops
and so on, whose figures

738
00:46:35,830 --> 00:46:39,940
were all over the place too.

739
00:46:39,940 --> 00:46:46,840
But in the war, the last
war, this thing was damaged.

740
00:46:46,840 --> 00:46:50,580
So I remember when I
went there after the war,

741
00:46:50,580 --> 00:46:52,750
there's a big crack
right through.

742
00:46:52,750 --> 00:46:58,060
And then, when I went the
last time to the cathedral,

743
00:46:58,060 --> 00:46:59,270
I couldn't find it anywhere.

744
00:46:59,270 --> 00:47:01,530
It was gone.

745
00:47:01,530 --> 00:47:06,910
But they had now a
small little black

746
00:47:06,910 --> 00:47:10,390
in the main body of
the church on the side

747
00:47:10,390 --> 00:47:13,940
where all the seats were.

748
00:47:13,940 --> 00:47:18,560
So are you saying it was moved
from one part of the church

749
00:47:18,560 --> 00:47:19,640
to another.

750
00:47:19,640 --> 00:47:22,520
This block, was it like a stone?

751
00:47:22,520 --> 00:47:28,830
It was replaced completely
by a small kind of--

752
00:47:28,830 --> 00:47:34,780
not much bigger than

a book-sized tablet,

753

00:47:34,780 --> 00:47:37,610

which more or less
summarized what

754

00:47:37,610 --> 00:47:40,390

was on that big thing,
and big golden figures.

755

00:47:40,390 --> 00:47:44,690

756

00:47:44,690 --> 00:47:47,810

So let's go back.

757

00:47:47,810 --> 00:47:49,980

We're getting closer
to your generation.

758

00:47:49,980 --> 00:47:50,480

Yes.

759

00:47:50,480 --> 00:47:51,313

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

760

00:47:51,313 --> 00:47:53,120

So your grandfather--
yeah it's fine.

761

00:47:53,120 --> 00:47:54,300

This is interesting.

762

00:47:54,300 --> 00:47:57,210

This is really interesting.

763

00:47:57,210 --> 00:48:00,320

So your grandfather is a lawyer.

764

00:48:00,320 --> 00:48:02,370

And he dies young.

765

00:48:02,370 --> 00:48:05,180

He dies young.

766

00:48:05,180 --> 00:48:15,710

Well, of course, he
became a civil servant

767

00:48:15,710 --> 00:48:18,560

in Vienna, or around Vienna.

768

00:48:18,560 --> 00:48:22,520

And he was looking
around for a wife.

769

00:48:22,520 --> 00:48:38,930

And he met this Lilly Wrangel,
who was the daughter of that

770

00:48:38,930 --> 00:48:42,770

Swedish guy who had
to take his kids back,

771

00:48:42,770 --> 00:48:47,080

because he developed
and became--

772

00:48:47,080 --> 00:48:49,580

you can look him
up in Wikipedia--

773

00:48:49,580 --> 00:49:00,280

he became a leading writer,
journalist, and hippologist.

774

00:49:00,280 --> 00:49:03,830

He was one of the, just
before the cars came,

775

00:49:03,830 --> 00:49:05,870

and the horses were
being replaced,

776

00:49:05,870 --> 00:49:10,640
he published a sort of
Europe-wide famous book

777
00:49:10,640 --> 00:49:13,280
called Das Buch
vom Pferde, which

778
00:49:13,280 --> 00:49:17,360
had many translations,
and many things.

779
00:49:17,360 --> 00:49:19,170
It's an astounding book.

780
00:49:19,170 --> 00:49:20,310
I've got it.

781
00:49:20,310 --> 00:49:22,330
It means The Book of Horses?

782
00:49:22,330 --> 00:49:24,340
Is that what it is?

783
00:49:24,340 --> 00:49:26,990
Das Buch vom Pferde, yeah.

784
00:49:26,990 --> 00:49:29,300
Anyway, and so he was after.

785
00:49:29,300 --> 00:49:30,920
So very successful.

786
00:49:30,920 --> 00:49:34,880
Why he ever wanted to be a
soldier, I wouldn't know.

787
00:49:34,880 --> 00:49:37,790
He was much better
as a public person.

788
00:49:37,790 --> 00:49:41,510

But it meant that his
wife, let's face it,

789
00:49:41,510 --> 00:49:43,490
the marriage was
sort of a forced

790
00:49:43,490 --> 00:49:46,270
marriage through
his father-in-law,

791
00:49:46,270 --> 00:49:47,310
or the other father.

792
00:49:47,310 --> 00:49:50,430

793
00:49:50,430 --> 00:49:51,830
It became too much for her.

794
00:49:51,830 --> 00:49:56,180
He was in and out of the
country on heaven knows.

795
00:49:56,180 --> 00:50:00,590
I mean, he was a very
beautiful man too.

796
00:50:00,590 --> 00:50:02,030
Excuse me that I'm interrupting.

797
00:50:02,030 --> 00:50:06,260
I'm a little lost here as far
as how the family tree is going.

798
00:50:06,260 --> 00:50:10,580
We are talking now
about your grandfather,

799
00:50:10,580 --> 00:50:14,360
who married someone who
was a countess von Wrangel.

800

00:50:14,360 --> 00:50:16,400

Is that correct?

801

00:50:16,400 --> 00:50:17,710

Yes, that's right.

802

00:50:17,710 --> 00:50:18,480

Yes, that's right.

803

00:50:18,480 --> 00:50:23,600

And then you talked about her father, who was from Sweden.

804

00:50:23,600 --> 00:50:26,340

Is that correct?

805

00:50:26,340 --> 00:50:27,530

Countess von Wrangel.

806

00:50:27,530 --> 00:50:29,940

And then you talked about the man who wrote--

807

00:50:29,940 --> 00:50:38,250

Sorry, the original Wrangel I mentioned in connection with--

808

00:50:38,250 --> 00:50:38,860

with what?

809

00:50:38,860 --> 00:50:42,420

810

00:50:42,420 --> 00:50:46,895

He was the father--

811

00:50:46,895 --> 00:50:49,190

he is the father of my grandfather--

812

00:50:49,190 --> 00:50:53,645

813
00:50:53,645 --> 00:50:55,580
from my great-grandfather.

814
00:50:55,580 --> 00:50:57,200
And then, of course,
his daughter--

815
00:50:57,200 --> 00:51:00,710
and that is what we are-- who
we are talking about now--

816
00:51:00,710 --> 00:51:03,380
was then brought by
their mother back.

817
00:51:03,380 --> 00:51:06,890
They were, in fact,
three children--

818
00:51:06,890 --> 00:51:10,970
two boys and my
grandmother, Lilly.

819
00:51:10,970 --> 00:51:17,660
Came back to Vienna
after the divorce.

820
00:51:17,660 --> 00:51:20,600
And the mother went back
with the kids, who were then

821
00:51:20,600 --> 00:51:23,910
teenagers, back to Vienna.

822
00:51:23,910 --> 00:51:26,750
And they had to
establish them in Vienna.

823
00:51:26,750 --> 00:51:28,080
So this is when you--

824
00:51:28,080 --> 00:51:32,720
OK, this is your maternal side
of the family, is that correct?

825
00:51:32,720 --> 00:51:34,920
Father's side.

826
00:51:34,920 --> 00:51:36,190
Your father's--

827
00:51:36,190 --> 00:51:37,200
Yeah.

828
00:51:37,200 --> 00:51:41,310
My father's mother
was ex-Swedish Lilly,

829
00:51:41,310 --> 00:51:42,760
Countess Wrangel.

830
00:51:42,760 --> 00:51:43,530
OK.

831
00:51:43,530 --> 00:51:44,250
OK.

832
00:51:44,250 --> 00:51:45,680
OK.

833
00:51:45,680 --> 00:51:49,660
I mean, I have known my
grandmother very well.

834
00:51:49,660 --> 00:51:54,290
And I have more to say
about her a little later.

835
00:51:54,290 --> 00:51:57,360
But she was the immigrant.

836
00:51:57,360 --> 00:52:01,220

And of course his
father, Carl's father,

837
00:52:01,220 --> 00:52:06,540
the guy who came from Frankfurt,
and had married a [INAUDIBLE]

838
00:52:06,540 --> 00:52:11,250
lady, he was totally upset
when the son comes and says,

839
00:52:11,250 --> 00:52:17,770
I want to marry
Lilly girl Wrangel--

840
00:52:17,770 --> 00:52:20,990
a Protestant.

841
00:52:20,990 --> 00:52:21,490
Divorce.

842
00:52:21,490 --> 00:52:24,920

843
00:52:24,920 --> 00:52:25,700
Shocking.

844
00:52:25,700 --> 00:52:26,940
Shocking.

845
00:52:26,940 --> 00:52:28,790
And no money to bring in.

846
00:52:28,790 --> 00:52:36,500
I mean, [LAUGHS] Ah, impossible.

847
00:52:36,500 --> 00:52:39,290
And of course he walked out.

848
00:52:39,290 --> 00:52:43,250
He bought himself another
Schloss next door to,

849
00:52:43,250 --> 00:52:48,990
or 5 kilometers up the road
from Gneixendorf place,

850
00:52:48,990 --> 00:52:52,170
and sort of settled down there.

851
00:52:52,170 --> 00:52:54,740
I mean, he's sort
of a [audio freeze].

852
00:52:54,740 --> 00:52:57,590
But his mother--

853
00:52:57,590 --> 00:52:59,540
I mean his wife--

854
00:52:59,540 --> 00:53:03,950
she immediately
said, you marry her,

855
00:53:03,950 --> 00:53:08,530
and I'll give you my
Schloss Gneixendorf.

856
00:53:08,530 --> 00:53:10,597
You can live there.

857
00:53:10,597 --> 00:53:11,430
That's what she did.

858
00:53:11,430 --> 00:53:14,240

859
00:53:14,240 --> 00:53:19,250
So let's come now
to your parents.

860
00:53:19,250 --> 00:53:22,480
Your grandfather has
how many children?

861
00:53:22,480 --> 00:53:25,460
Your paternal grandfather
has how many children?

862
00:53:25,460 --> 00:53:30,800
And where in that group
does your father fit?

863
00:53:30,800 --> 00:53:37,820
Well, my grandfather had two
children-- a boy and a girl.

864
00:53:37,820 --> 00:53:43,380
The boy was Carl, who
married then Lilly--

865
00:53:43,380 --> 00:53:45,720
Lilly Wrangel.

866
00:53:45,720 --> 00:53:55,600
And she married into another
sort of family, with an estate

867
00:53:55,600 --> 00:53:59,600
in [INAUDIBLE].

868
00:53:59,600 --> 00:54:01,260
This is your aunt.

869
00:54:01,260 --> 00:54:03,080
Yeah, my great aunt, yeah.

870
00:54:03,080 --> 00:54:04,010
Your great aunt.

871
00:54:04,010 --> 00:54:05,420
And what was her name?

872
00:54:05,420 --> 00:54:08,377
Your great aunt's name?

873
00:54:08,377 --> 00:54:09,210
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

874
00:54:09,210 --> 00:54:09,820
Don't worry.

875
00:54:09,820 --> 00:54:10,320
It's OK.

876
00:54:10,320 --> 00:54:11,210
It's OK.

877
00:54:11,210 --> 00:54:14,120
Listen, I asked this
simply because I

878
00:54:14,120 --> 00:54:16,400
assume you might have it
at the tip of your tongue.

879
00:54:16,400 --> 00:54:19,100
But if you don't know,
that's perfectly fine.

880
00:54:19,100 --> 00:54:20,390
I've got it.

881
00:54:20,390 --> 00:54:23,390
All my life I've had a
poor memory for names.

882
00:54:23,390 --> 00:54:27,940
And it shows up in old
age even more than before.

883
00:54:27,940 --> 00:54:30,185
But I've got it written
down everywhere Yes,

884
00:54:30,185 --> 00:54:32,240
and I will remember too.

885

00:54:32,240 --> 00:54:32,870

Of course.

886

00:54:32,870 --> 00:54:35,100

Of course-- just
five hours from now.

887

00:54:35,100 --> 00:54:36,458

That's the way it always goes.

888

00:54:36,458 --> 00:54:37,000

That's right.

889

00:54:37,000 --> 00:54:38,810

Yeah.

890

00:54:38,810 --> 00:54:43,060

Can you bring that green
book with the family -- ?

891

00:54:43,060 --> 00:54:44,260

It's right on top.

892

00:54:44,260 --> 00:54:45,910

You brought it already.

893

00:54:45,910 --> 00:54:48,800

So your grandfather, when we're
talking about your grandfather,

894

00:54:48,800 --> 00:54:50,560

his name is Carl.

895

00:54:50,560 --> 00:54:52,590

And he has a sister.

896

00:54:52,590 --> 00:54:56,930

And then your
grandfather marries who,

897

00:54:56,930 --> 00:55:00,048

who becomes your
father's mother?

898
00:55:00,048 --> 00:55:00,715
In other words--

899
00:55:00,715 --> 00:55:03,370

900
00:55:03,370 --> 00:55:07,030
He was introducing
Lilly, Countess Wrangel,

901
00:55:07,030 --> 00:55:10,450
to his father.

902
00:55:10,450 --> 00:55:13,250
And the father
then blew his top.

903
00:55:13,250 --> 00:55:19,670
About the daughter being able
to divorce family, no money,

904
00:55:19,670 --> 00:55:21,490
and Lutheran.

905
00:55:21,490 --> 00:55:26,330
I mean, it's just
impossible that in Vienna

906
00:55:26,330 --> 00:55:30,510
in the 19th century.

907
00:55:30,510 --> 00:55:33,080
So she becomes your grandmother.

908
00:55:33,080 --> 00:55:33,580
Yes.

909
00:55:33,580 --> 00:55:34,080
She--

910
00:55:34,080 --> 00:55:35,790
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

911
00:55:35,790 --> 00:55:39,550
And she had a major influence
certainly on my life

912
00:55:39,550 --> 00:55:44,880
too, because her husband
Carl died quite young,

913
00:55:44,880 --> 00:55:46,600
probably about 33.

914
00:55:46,600 --> 00:55:51,620
My father was only about
60 years old at the time.

915
00:55:51,620 --> 00:55:56,200
And so she had to
feed the family

916
00:55:56,200 --> 00:56:02,100
through without a father,
because she didn't remarry.

917
00:56:02,100 --> 00:56:06,390

918
00:56:06,390 --> 00:56:07,660
Ancestors.

919
00:56:07,660 --> 00:56:09,526
The print --

920
00:56:09,526 --> 00:56:12,170

921
00:56:12,170 --> 00:56:14,742
So your father is an only child?

922

00:56:14,742 --> 00:56:15,450

Or did he have--?

923

00:56:15,450 --> 00:56:16,350

No, no, no.

924

00:56:16,350 --> 00:56:18,010

They were three children.

925

00:56:18,010 --> 00:56:21,420

I can show you even a picture
of them as young children,

926

00:56:21,420 --> 00:56:24,550

if I turn the laptop around.

927

00:56:24,550 --> 00:56:26,410

But I won't do it just now.

928

00:56:26,410 --> 00:56:28,390

No, no, no.

929

00:56:28,390 --> 00:56:30,910

Then you have an
aunt or an uncle?

930

00:56:30,910 --> 00:56:33,310

Or do you have two
uncles, two aunts?

931

00:56:33,310 --> 00:56:40,110

Well, I had an uncle
and an aunt, yes.

932

00:56:40,110 --> 00:56:42,170

And my father was the youngest.

933

00:56:42,170 --> 00:56:46,930

Otto, my father, was the
youngest of three children.

934

00:56:46,930 --> 00:56:50,800
And what were the names of
your aunt and your uncle?

935
00:56:50,800 --> 00:56:53,260
Georg was the oldest.

936
00:56:53,260 --> 00:56:56,530
I think he was born in 1891.

937
00:56:56,530 --> 00:57:05,330
Then Matilda-- Tila, as we
called her-- was born in 1892.

938
00:57:05,330 --> 00:57:13,340
And my father Otto, Otto
Bernhardt, was born in 1894.

939
00:57:13,340 --> 00:57:17,400
And when did your grandfather--

940
00:57:17,400 --> 00:57:19,260
the one who was young--

941
00:57:19,260 --> 00:57:21,000
died young-- when did he die?

942
00:57:21,000 --> 00:57:22,560
What year did he die?

943
00:57:22,560 --> 00:57:27,020
1901.

944
00:57:27,020 --> 00:57:31,230
So your grandmother is really
left with young children

945
00:57:31,230 --> 00:57:36,280
to bring up, from 6 years
old to 12, 13 years old.

946
00:57:36,280 --> 00:57:39,360

Yeah, that's right.

947

00:57:39,360 --> 00:57:47,210

That of course before he died,
Carl, great-grandfather Carl,

948

00:57:47,210 --> 00:57:52,050

ordained that a
friend of his would

949

00:57:52,050 --> 00:57:59,170

be the male head of the
family until the two sons will

950

00:57:59,170 --> 00:58:04,150

reach their 21 years old.

951

00:58:04,150 --> 00:58:06,980

OK.

952

00:58:06,980 --> 00:58:13,980

And-- oh, I just had-- yeah.

953

00:58:13,980 --> 00:58:17,520

I just had a question on the
tip of my tongue with your dad.

954

00:58:17,520 --> 00:58:18,900

What did he die of?

955

00:58:18,900 --> 00:58:20,190

Do you know?

956

00:58:20,190 --> 00:58:20,980

At age 33?

957

00:58:20,980 --> 00:58:30,610

958

00:58:30,610 --> 00:58:34,920

I think that my father
wrote a complete story

959
00:58:34,920 --> 00:58:39,783
about the family,
including that.

960
00:58:39,783 --> 00:58:40,700
Something to do with--

961
00:58:40,700 --> 00:58:44,660

962
00:58:44,660 --> 00:58:45,620
again.

963
00:58:45,620 --> 00:58:46,280
It's OK.

964
00:58:46,280 --> 00:58:47,290
It's OK.

965
00:58:47,290 --> 00:58:50,120
I'm asking too many questions
that are distracting,

966
00:58:50,120 --> 00:58:51,620
and forgive me for that.

967
00:58:51,620 --> 00:58:52,770
Yeah, yeah.

968
00:58:52,770 --> 00:58:53,270
No, no.

969
00:58:53,270 --> 00:58:56,690
It's just that I have
that poor memory,

970
00:58:56,690 --> 00:59:00,640
and I should have had
these things at my side.

971

00:59:00,640 --> 00:59:05,761
No, the green-backed file
with all the ancestors.

972
00:59:05,761 --> 00:59:08,410
[someone in background
- INAUDIBLE].

973
00:59:08,410 --> 00:59:10,500
Oh, it's here.

974
00:59:10,500 --> 00:59:11,360
Oh!

975
00:59:11,360 --> 00:59:12,735
Thank goodness
I've got the file.

976
00:59:12,735 --> 00:59:15,530

977
00:59:15,530 --> 00:59:19,040
Yeah, thank you.

978
00:59:19,040 --> 00:59:24,830
Anyway, I've got-- hello?

979
00:59:24,830 --> 00:59:25,610
Yes, I'm here.

980
00:59:25,610 --> 00:59:28,280
I'm here.

981
00:59:28,280 --> 00:59:29,731
I can look things up now.

982
00:59:29,731 --> 00:59:34,350

983
00:59:34,350 --> 00:59:36,930
You know what I think
we should do with that,

984
00:59:36,930 --> 00:59:44,640
is if later, if you have some
sort of like family tree that

985
00:59:44,640 --> 00:59:47,370
is sketched out or
something like that,

986
00:59:47,370 --> 00:59:50,310
if you can send me a photocopy,
we can put it together

987
00:59:50,310 --> 00:59:51,450
with your file.

988
00:59:51,450 --> 00:59:53,490
And then people
will know what are

989
00:59:53,490 --> 00:59:55,080
the names of various people.

990
00:59:55,080 --> 00:59:56,230
Yeah, definitely.

991
00:59:56,230 --> 00:59:58,890
I think that's a very good idea.

992
00:59:58,890 --> 00:59:59,760
OK.

993
00:59:59,760 --> 01:00:06,670
So shall we go on
for the time being?

994
01:00:06,670 --> 01:00:09,480
Yes, let's go on
for the time being.

995
01:00:09,480 --> 01:00:14,590
As I say, I can give

you now some details,

996
01:00:14,590 --> 01:00:21,000
look them up on these family
trees that I've got here.

997
01:00:21,000 --> 01:00:26,980
But I don't want to hold up the
actual talk any more than you--

998
01:00:26,980 --> 01:00:27,880
OK.

999
01:00:27,880 --> 01:00:28,380
OK.

1000
01:00:28,380 --> 01:00:30,210
Well, when you're
ready, we'll come back,

1001
01:00:30,210 --> 01:00:32,030
and I'll start asking questions.

1002
01:00:32,030 --> 01:00:32,530
OK.

1003
01:00:32,530 --> 01:00:35,760

1004
01:00:35,760 --> 01:00:36,390
Right.

1005
01:00:36,390 --> 01:00:37,710
Now where do we go?

1006
01:00:37,710 --> 01:00:40,970
What's the next question?

1007
01:00:40,970 --> 01:00:42,120
All right.

1008

01:00:42,120 --> 01:00:50,030
You know, the three children
sort of grew up in Gneixendorf.

1009
01:00:50,030 --> 01:00:55,880
But again, there's enough
money in the family left.

1010
01:00:55,880 --> 01:01:00,890
They only stayed in
the Schloss Gneixendorf

1011
01:01:00,890 --> 01:01:05,420
during the spring and summer,
a bit of the autumn time.

1012
01:01:05,420 --> 01:01:10,970
In the winter, they
moved down into Krems,

1013
01:01:10,970 --> 01:01:20,900
in a comfortable kind of
house, because the castle was--

1014
01:01:20,900 --> 01:01:24,710
I mean, you had sort
of stoves in each room.

1015
01:01:24,710 --> 01:01:26,480
But there were big rooms.

1016
01:01:26,480 --> 01:01:29,450
And I remember
from my early use,

1017
01:01:29,450 --> 01:01:33,900
I mean, in the winter in
particular you would be--

1018
01:01:33,900 --> 01:01:36,140
if there's only one
place you could be--

1019

01:01:36,140 --> 01:01:38,710
close to the stove.

1020
01:01:38,710 --> 01:01:40,550
Yeah.

1021
01:01:40,550 --> 01:01:44,050
So I'm going to just
repeat a little bit of what

1022
01:01:44,050 --> 01:01:45,580
I understand from this.

1023
01:01:45,580 --> 01:01:48,160
Your father is Otto.

1024
01:01:48,160 --> 01:01:50,770
He's born in 1894.

1025
01:01:50,770 --> 01:01:54,970
You had an Aunt Matilda,
whom you called Tilly.

1026
01:01:54,970 --> 01:01:57,680
And then you had
an uncle Georg--

1027
01:01:57,680 --> 01:01:58,210
George.

1028
01:01:58,210 --> 01:02:03,460
And Georg was the oldest, born
in 1890 was it that you said?

1029
01:02:03,460 --> 01:02:06,430
Or 1878?

1030
01:02:06,430 --> 01:02:07,780
At any rate, there are--

1031
01:02:07,780 --> 01:02:08,920
1891, yes.

1032
01:02:08,920 --> 01:02:10,450
1891.

1033
01:02:10,450 --> 01:02:12,280
And Tilda was born when?

1034
01:02:12,280 --> 01:02:15,040
What year?

1035
01:02:15,040 --> 01:02:17,640
1892?

1036
01:02:17,640 --> 01:02:19,980
She was born in 1892--

1037
01:02:19,980 --> 01:02:22,710
21st of April 1892.

1038
01:02:22,710 --> 01:02:23,590
OK.

1039
01:02:23,590 --> 01:02:25,930
And Otto is your father.

1040
01:02:25,930 --> 01:02:31,810
And your grandmother is
Countess von Wrangel, Lilly.

1041
01:02:31,810 --> 01:02:38,860
And her husband was Carl,
who dies young, at age 33.

1042
01:02:38,860 --> 01:02:43,150
Now let's turn to your
mother's side of the family.

1043
01:02:43,150 --> 01:02:44,500
What was your mother's name?

1044
01:02:44,500 --> 01:02:47,790

1045
01:02:47,790 --> 01:02:53,790
My mother's name was
Margarete von Mossig.

1046
01:02:53,790 --> 01:02:55,110
How do I spell her last name?

1047
01:02:55,110 --> 01:02:56,370
Mossig?

1048
01:02:56,370 --> 01:03:05,400
M-O double-S I-G. It was a
true Viennese family, that

1049
01:03:05,400 --> 01:03:15,040
had worked its way up from being
property owner in the city.

1050
01:03:15,040 --> 01:03:21,698
And her grandfather,
I don't know.

1051
01:03:21,698 --> 01:03:23,331
Her great-grandfather--

1052
01:03:23,331 --> 01:03:27,100

1053
01:03:27,100 --> 01:03:41,180
Anyway, her grandfather became
a very senior Austrian officer

1054
01:03:41,180 --> 01:03:45,020
in charge of the fortresses
of the Austrian empire.

1055
01:03:45,020 --> 01:03:47,730

1056
01:03:47,730 --> 01:03:50,840

He retired as a field
marshal lieutenant--

1057
01:03:50,840 --> 01:03:52,392
whatever that means.

1058
01:03:52,392 --> 01:03:54,710
But he was a field marshal.

1059
01:03:54,710 --> 01:03:58,865
And he was a very
personable kind of person.

1060
01:03:58,865 --> 01:04:05,030
I've got a very nice
photograph painting from him.

1061
01:04:05,030 --> 01:04:07,580
He loved Italy.

1062
01:04:07,580 --> 01:04:09,680
And he married an Italian--

1063
01:04:09,680 --> 01:04:12,410

1064
01:04:12,410 --> 01:04:15,200
French-Italian lady.

1065
01:04:15,200 --> 01:04:20,900
Her father had been a consultant
and doctor of the sultan

1066
01:04:20,900 --> 01:04:24,100
of Constantinople.

1067
01:04:24,100 --> 01:04:25,180
Oh, my goodness.

1068
01:04:25,180 --> 01:04:27,910
And all this took
place in Florence.

1069
01:04:27,910 --> 01:04:34,190

1070
01:04:34,190 --> 01:04:36,155
Did your mother have
brothers and sister?

1071
01:04:36,155 --> 01:04:38,740

1072
01:04:38,740 --> 01:04:40,480
Yes, they had two sisters.

1073
01:04:40,480 --> 01:04:44,990
But she was the eldest of three.

1074
01:04:44,990 --> 01:04:49,550
What are the names of
her-- so she's Margarete.

1075
01:04:49,550 --> 01:04:51,740
Margarete, yeah.

1076
01:04:51,740 --> 01:04:58,010
And the others were Evelyn,
who was the second child,

1077
01:04:58,010 --> 01:05:00,305
and then Helga was the youngest.

1078
01:05:00,305 --> 01:05:05,370
Helga is still alive,
lives in Vienna.

1079
01:05:05,370 --> 01:05:06,750
How old is Helga?

1080
01:05:06,750 --> 01:05:09,730

1081

01:05:09,730 --> 01:05:12,790
Helga's a bit younger than I am.

1082
01:05:12,790 --> 01:05:14,485
But her husband was 96.

1083
01:05:14,485 --> 01:05:19,640

1084
01:05:19,640 --> 01:05:21,730
So you have an aunt?

1085
01:05:21,730 --> 01:05:23,950
She is technically your aunt?

1086
01:05:23,950 --> 01:05:25,850
No, she's my --

1087
01:05:25,850 --> 01:05:29,360
Well, maybe I've
got myself mixed up.

1088
01:05:29,360 --> 01:05:32,360
No, she's my niece.

1089
01:05:32,360 --> 01:05:33,470
OK, she's your niece.

1090
01:05:33,470 --> 01:05:37,160
So in other words, your mother
has two sisters, one of whom

1091
01:05:37,160 --> 01:05:38,120
is--

1092
01:05:38,120 --> 01:05:39,700
I forgot their names.

1093
01:05:39,700 --> 01:05:41,180
Your mother's Margarete.

1094

01:05:41,180 --> 01:05:42,985
Then who is the second one?

1095
01:05:42,985 --> 01:05:47,110
The second was Evelina.

1096
01:05:47,110 --> 01:05:48,080
Evelina.

1097
01:05:48,080 --> 01:05:56,140
And the third one was living --

1098
01:05:56,140 --> 01:05:59,330
Spain with her-- no, I can't
think of the name right now.

1099
01:05:59,330 --> 01:05:59,910
It's crazy.

1100
01:05:59,910 --> 01:06:02,500

1101
01:06:02,500 --> 01:06:05,230
Did you know these
aunts very well?

1102
01:06:05,230 --> 01:06:09,420
Yes, very, very well,
because they used to come--

1103
01:06:09,420 --> 01:06:12,820
I mean, when they
were living in Vienna,

1104
01:06:12,820 --> 01:06:16,390
in the summer they would
always come to Gneixendorf

1105
01:06:16,390 --> 01:06:17,500
for their summer holiday.

1106
01:06:17,500 --> 01:06:20,490

1107
01:06:20,490 --> 01:06:22,870
So --

1108
01:06:22,870 --> 01:06:26,560
And is Helga the child
of one of these aunts?

1109
01:06:26,560 --> 01:06:27,310
Yes, that's right.

1110
01:06:27,310 --> 01:06:28,080
She's the child.

1111
01:06:28,080 --> 01:06:33,940
She is, in fact, the
youngest of all the children.

1112
01:06:33,940 --> 01:06:38,528
Must have been born in 1929
or something like that.

1113
01:06:38,528 --> 01:06:41,660

1114
01:06:41,660 --> 01:06:44,040
OK.

1115
01:06:44,040 --> 01:06:49,290
So your mother comes from
a family called von Mossig.

1116
01:06:49,290 --> 01:06:53,910
And when did she and
your father get married?

1117
01:06:53,910 --> 01:06:55,200
And how did they meet?

1118
01:06:55,200 --> 01:06:57,750
Do you know much about that?

1119
01:06:57,750 --> 01:06:58,633
A lot.

1120
01:06:58,633 --> 01:07:14,920
[LAUGHS] My grandfather,
Margarete's father, apparently

1121
01:07:14,920 --> 01:07:19,070
that's a kind of family saga.

1122
01:07:19,070 --> 01:07:21,530
He ran away from home.

1123
01:07:21,530 --> 01:07:25,010
He didn't like the
Italian set-up,

1124
01:07:25,010 --> 01:07:33,820
and he came back to Vienna,
and wanted to join the cavalry.

1125
01:07:33,820 --> 01:07:39,700
Of course, without the financial
backing of his parents,

1126
01:07:39,700 --> 01:07:41,420
he had a problem.

1127
01:07:41,420 --> 01:07:44,290
So he married into
a rich bohemian

1128
01:07:44,290 --> 01:07:47,570
family, my grandmother.

1129
01:07:47,570 --> 01:07:52,390
And to see if that
sails through.

1130
01:07:52,390 --> 01:07:59,130

1131
01:07:59,130 --> 01:08:06,160
He was one of the best riders
of the Austrian cavalry, which

1132
01:08:06,160 --> 01:08:08,620
really, in the First World
War, wasn't all that much

1133
01:08:08,620 --> 01:08:12,710
of a necessity anymore.

1134
01:08:12,710 --> 01:08:18,130
And the other thing is he
was definitely renowned

1135
01:08:18,130 --> 01:08:19,602
to be the best bridge player.

1136
01:08:19,602 --> 01:08:23,680

1137
01:08:23,680 --> 01:08:25,040
Always important.

1138
01:08:25,040 --> 01:08:26,270
Always important.

1139
01:08:26,270 --> 01:08:26,770
Yeah.

1140
01:08:26,770 --> 01:08:29,649

1141
01:08:29,649 --> 01:08:35,830
He just survived long enough
to be at my christening.

1142
01:08:35,830 --> 01:08:39,278
But then, very soon, died.

1143

01:08:39,278 --> 01:08:46,330
So I haven't, personally
don't remember him at all.

1144
01:08:46,330 --> 01:08:48,500
Only from photographs.

1145
01:08:48,500 --> 01:08:51,950
So how is it that
your parents meet?

1146
01:08:51,950 --> 01:08:57,569
Well, my dad-- because that's,
of course, the other story.

1147
01:08:57,569 --> 01:09:00,890
When the war came,
my dad had just

1148
01:09:00,890 --> 01:09:09,670
finished his university entrance
exam at the Krems gymnasium.

1149
01:09:09,670 --> 01:09:12,689
So that means the
First World War, 1914.

1150
01:09:12,689 --> 01:09:14,760
The First World War.

1151
01:09:14,760 --> 01:09:22,950
So he joined the Austrian
Army as an officer cadet.

1152
01:09:22,950 --> 01:09:27,540
And Georg had already,
being two years older,

1153
01:09:27,540 --> 01:09:31,494
he was already a
established lieutenant

1154
01:09:31,494 --> 01:09:32,970

in the Austrian Army.

1155

01:09:32,970 --> 01:09:35,430

So he was a staff officer.

1156

01:09:35,430 --> 01:09:37,090

He was that kind of person.

1157

01:09:37,090 --> 01:09:37,590

Staff.

1158

01:09:37,590 --> 01:09:41,040

1159

01:09:41,040 --> 01:09:48,609

But Otto sort of went
out with the cavalry

1160

01:09:48,609 --> 01:09:57,860

into Russian Poland, along
the [PLACE NAME] River.

1161

01:09:57,860 --> 01:10:05,390

And to cut a long story
short, he was very soon

1162

01:10:05,390 --> 01:10:07,100

a Russian prisoner of war.

1163

01:10:07,100 --> 01:10:13,550

And he spent six years in
Siberia before coming back.

1164

01:10:13,550 --> 01:10:14,860

This is your father.

1165

01:10:14,860 --> 01:10:16,670

My father, yeah.

1166

01:10:16,670 --> 01:10:17,570

Oh, my goodness.

1167

01:10:17,570 --> 01:10:22,910
So that means he was in Siberia
in prisoner of war camps--

1168

01:10:22,910 --> 01:10:25,520
Tsarist prisoner of war camps.

1169

01:10:25,520 --> 01:10:27,740
Which also means
that he was there

1170

01:10:27,740 --> 01:10:29,690
during the Russian Revolution.

1171

01:10:29,690 --> 01:10:30,860
Absolutely.

1172

01:10:30,860 --> 01:10:33,710
And I mean, that's
why they were held up.

1173

01:10:33,710 --> 01:10:42,770
I mean Russia surrendered
to Germany in early 1918,

1174

01:10:42,770 --> 01:10:48,650
before Germany
surrendered to the Allies.

1175

01:10:48,650 --> 01:10:52,700
And these prisoners just
couldn't make their way back

1176

01:10:52,700 --> 01:10:54,730
along the Siberian railway.

1177

01:10:54,730 --> 01:10:57,980
And that took years.

1178

01:10:57,980 --> 01:11:01,500
And the thing is,
when he came back,

1179
01:11:01,500 --> 01:11:03,750
there's a photograph
of him as he looked

1180
01:11:03,750 --> 01:11:05,641
when he came back, in rags.

1181
01:11:05,641 --> 01:11:08,938

1182
01:11:08,938 --> 01:11:13,355
His mother-- Lilly--

1183
01:11:13,355 --> 01:11:16,470
said, now you must sit
down, and we write down

1184
01:11:16,470 --> 01:11:20,370
the whole story of your
prisoner-of-war [INAUDIBLE]..

1185
01:11:20,370 --> 01:11:21,680
Did he do it?

1186
01:11:21,680 --> 01:11:22,950
Did he do that?

1187
01:11:22,950 --> 01:11:25,550
He did it, and she did it too.

1188
01:11:25,550 --> 01:11:27,720
We've got two versions of it.

1189
01:11:27,720 --> 01:11:29,660
Did we ever find out?

1190
01:11:29,660 --> 01:11:33,570
Not until my dad had died, that
all these things turned up.

1191

01:11:33,570 --> 01:11:36,860

1192

01:11:36,860 --> 01:11:39,050

Oh, my goodness.

1193

01:11:39,050 --> 01:11:39,920

Oh, my goodness.

1194

01:11:39,920 --> 01:11:43,310

I mean, it's an amazingly
detailed day to day and week

1195

01:11:43,310 --> 01:11:49,070

to week story of what
happened, how they got on.

1196

01:11:49,070 --> 01:11:52,090

And I want to [INAUDIBLE] here.

1197

01:11:52,090 --> 01:11:56,360

I want it translate it you
know It's a wonderful story.

1198

01:11:56,360 --> 01:11:58,952

1199

01:11:58,952 --> 01:12:00,035

Have you had it published?

1200

01:12:00,035 --> 01:12:03,230

Do you still have
the manuscript?

1201

01:12:03,230 --> 01:12:07,330

I've got both manuscripts.

1202

01:12:07,330 --> 01:12:11,373

But it's a huge job.

1203

01:12:11,373 --> 01:12:12,290

I was going to write--

1204
01:12:12,290 --> 01:12:13,040
But it's unique.

1205
01:12:13,040 --> 01:12:15,770
It's very unique to be able to--

1206
01:12:15,770 --> 01:12:16,490
yeah.

1207
01:12:16,490 --> 01:12:19,290
It's totally unique, yeah.

1208
01:12:19,290 --> 01:12:28,920
So he comes back after World
War I having spent six years

1209
01:12:28,920 --> 01:12:30,210
as a prisoner of war.

1210
01:12:30,210 --> 01:12:32,760

1211
01:12:32,760 --> 01:12:35,560
And he comes back
in rags, you say.

1212
01:12:35,560 --> 01:12:36,120
Yeah.

1213
01:12:36,120 --> 01:12:42,290
And I mean they had to
make sure in particular

1214
01:12:42,290 --> 01:12:46,110
the final stages, Moscow, Saint
Petersburg, where they were

1215
01:12:46,110 --> 01:12:53,430
finally released, he wouldn't
be reported as an officer,

1216

01:12:53,430 --> 01:12:57,168

because communists would
take out all the officers

1217

01:12:57,168 --> 01:12:58,960

and put them into their
concentration camp.

1218

01:12:58,960 --> 01:13:02,800

1219

01:13:02,800 --> 01:13:07,720

Did your father ever tell
you stories of Siberia

1220

01:13:07,720 --> 01:13:11,380

when you were growing
up, or this time there?

1221

01:13:11,380 --> 01:13:12,400

Not seriously.

1222

01:13:12,400 --> 01:13:18,790

1223

01:13:18,790 --> 01:13:21,360

My father had some
very great friends,

1224

01:13:21,360 --> 01:13:25,290

and one was Kurt
[? Weindorf, ?] from Germany.

1225

01:13:25,290 --> 01:13:28,270

Also a German.

1226

01:13:28,270 --> 01:13:29,210

His same age.

1227

01:13:29,210 --> 01:13:32,560

1228

01:13:32,560 --> 01:13:40,030

The family were the owners
of Pelican writing gear,

1229

01:13:40,030 --> 01:13:48,130

which was, in the pre-war
time, the place for pens--

1230

01:13:48,130 --> 01:13:51,810

fountain pens, everything
you wanted to buy.

1231

01:13:51,810 --> 01:13:56,860

And he came from that family.

1232

01:13:56,860 --> 01:14:01,500

And the two boys, I mean,
Uncle Kurt and my dad,

1233

01:14:01,500 --> 01:14:05,980

they were just
wonderful friends.

1234

01:14:05,980 --> 01:14:07,410

And for me--

1235

01:14:07,410 --> 01:14:08,990

Where they prisoners together?

1236

01:14:08,990 --> 01:14:12,220

Had they been prisoners
of war together?

1237

01:14:12,220 --> 01:14:15,220

They were together
for most of the time.

1238

01:14:15,220 --> 01:14:18,640

But at a later
stage, the Germans

1239

01:14:18,640 --> 01:14:21,130

were given some
sort of priority.

1240
01:14:21,130 --> 01:14:22,880
They were supposed to--

1241
01:14:22,880 --> 01:14:27,370
well, Kurt did get back to
Germany, probably six months

1242
01:14:27,370 --> 01:14:29,860
before my dad.

1243
01:14:29,860 --> 01:14:33,340
Depended whether
you were allowed

1244
01:14:33,340 --> 01:14:38,370
on one of the few trains
that were running.

1245
01:14:38,370 --> 01:14:41,410
And the Germans were
then unloaded first,

1246
01:14:41,410 --> 01:14:43,660
and the Austrians stay behind.

1247
01:14:43,660 --> 01:14:47,490

1248
01:14:47,490 --> 01:14:51,600
So I ask again, did he,
as you were growing up,

1249
01:14:51,600 --> 01:14:54,630
would he ever tell
you stories, or is it

1250
01:14:54,630 --> 01:14:57,900
that you would hear him
speak with his friend Kurt,

1251

01:14:57,900 --> 01:15:00,150
and you would pick
up things that way,

1252

01:15:00,150 --> 01:15:03,500
through what they were talking
to with the one another.

1253

01:15:03,500 --> 01:15:12,820
No, when my dad felt that we
had to have some Catholic church

1254

01:15:12,820 --> 01:15:14,140
attendance.

1255

01:15:14,140 --> 01:15:17,260
And the local village
in Gneixendorf

1256

01:15:17,260 --> 01:15:21,860
had a church, but not a priest.

1257

01:15:21,860 --> 01:15:23,625
And that was a
neighboring village.

1258

01:15:23,625 --> 01:15:27,160
And of course, neighbors
don't like each other.

1259

01:15:27,160 --> 01:15:31,390

1260

01:15:31,390 --> 01:15:35,700
No, those Catholics priests in
those villages weren't exactly

1261

01:15:35,700 --> 01:15:37,200
the most--

1262

01:15:37,200 --> 01:15:37,770
Christian!

1263
01:15:37,770 --> 01:15:42,660
[LAUGHTER]

1264
01:15:42,660 --> 01:15:47,700
But dad certainly, you
know for formal occasions,

1265
01:15:47,700 --> 01:15:50,310
we would [INAUDIBLE], -
audio/video freeze which was

1266
01:15:50,310 --> 01:15:51,990
a 2 kilometer walk.

1267
01:15:51,990 --> 01:15:58,380
But I mean for Sunday service,
when the weather was OK,

1268
01:15:58,380 --> 01:16:02,010
we would walk down 4
kilometers to Krems,

1269
01:16:02,010 --> 01:16:06,420
to one of those beautiful
Catholic churches, yeah.

1270
01:16:06,420 --> 01:16:09,670

1271
01:16:09,670 --> 01:16:13,500
But then Dad would sort of--

1272
01:16:13,500 --> 01:16:15,690
my dad wasn't a
big talker anyway.

1273
01:16:15,690 --> 01:16:20,510
But then he would sort of talk
about being a prisoner of war

1274
01:16:20,510 --> 01:16:28,210

in Siberia, making windows,
covers for farmers,

1275

01:16:28,210 --> 01:16:30,040
and that kind of thing.

1276

01:16:30,040 --> 01:16:35,580
But having now read the
greater part of his story,

1277

01:16:35,580 --> 01:16:37,980
the real story is
quite different.

1278

01:16:37,980 --> 01:16:41,280
But he and Kurt
[? Wandorf ?] definitely

1279

01:16:41,280 --> 01:16:49,590
became a kind of technical
workshop in the officer camp,

1280

01:16:49,590 --> 01:16:52,990
making their own
home, and making

1281

01:16:52,990 --> 01:16:59,130
theater arrangements, which
apparently was a great thing.

1282

01:16:59,130 --> 01:17:01,380
And the Russians
were totally fake.

1283

01:17:01,380 --> 01:17:07,140
They would fill the
auditorium time and time again

1284

01:17:07,140 --> 01:17:11,346
when these Austrians had
their theater performance.

1285

01:17:11,346 --> 01:17:15,000

And Dad and [? Wandorf-- ?] Kurt
[? Wandorf, ?] were doing all

1286
01:17:15,000 --> 01:17:18,760
the mechanical side of it.

1287
01:17:18,760 --> 01:17:21,390
Making their own tools.

1288
01:17:21,390 --> 01:17:22,830
Well, they came--

1289
01:17:22,830 --> 01:17:26,040
I mean there's many aspects to
this, and we won't go into--

1290
01:17:26,040 --> 01:17:28,470
I mean, I'm fascinated,
but we won't

1291
01:17:28,470 --> 01:17:32,160
go into the Siberian
story here, only to note

1292
01:17:32,160 --> 01:17:33,645
that there's an awful lot there.

1293
01:17:33,645 --> 01:17:37,860

1294
01:17:37,860 --> 01:17:44,220
But quite honestly we children
didn't seriously know about it

1295
01:17:44,220 --> 01:17:45,645
until after his death.

1296
01:17:45,645 --> 01:17:48,410
He's died in 1891.

1297
01:17:48,410 --> 01:17:51,210
No, your father didn't die in--

1298
01:17:51,210 --> 01:17:54,030
1991, sorry.

1299
01:17:54,030 --> 01:17:55,680
My goodness.

1300
01:17:55,680 --> 01:17:56,820
That is--

1301
01:17:56,820 --> 01:18:00,120
A very recent kind of knowledge.

1302
01:18:00,120 --> 01:18:02,550
I mean, we knew that
he had been in Siberia,

1303
01:18:02,550 --> 01:18:08,540
but that wasn't a subject
that was talked about.

1304
01:18:08,540 --> 01:18:11,100
Do you think it influenced him?

1305
01:18:11,100 --> 01:18:15,110
Because it comes at a
crucial point in his life

1306
01:18:15,110 --> 01:18:16,940
when he's a young man.

1307
01:18:16,940 --> 01:18:21,110
He has just come of age,
and then enters the army.

1308
01:18:21,110 --> 01:18:25,160
And as he enters, he gets
arrested and sent there.

1309
01:18:25,160 --> 01:18:27,920
I mean, when he leaves
he's still a young man.

1310
01:18:27,920 --> 01:18:32,690
He's still 25, 26 or whatever.

1311
01:18:32,690 --> 01:18:36,710
Whenever he gets back, he
hasn't yet hit 30 years old.

1312
01:18:36,710 --> 01:18:43,090
He was only 20 years old when
he joined the Austrian Army.

1313
01:18:43,090 --> 01:18:48,200
So he was, obviously, still 20
years old when he was caught,

1314
01:18:48,200 --> 01:18:51,410
a prisoner of war.

1315
01:18:51,410 --> 01:18:54,800
What kind of personality
do you remember your father

1316
01:18:54,800 --> 01:18:57,530
having when you
were a young boy?

1317
01:18:57,530 --> 01:18:59,810
Was he someone who
was more distant?

1318
01:18:59,810 --> 01:19:02,270
Was he someone who was reserved?

1319
01:19:02,270 --> 01:19:06,260
Was he someone who seemed
traumatized now in hindsight?

1320
01:19:06,260 --> 01:19:07,560
He wasn't traumatized.

1321
01:19:07,560 --> 01:19:10,730

I mean, he had two
most fantastic wives,

1322
01:19:10,730 --> 01:19:13,310
and two wonderful friends.

1323
01:19:13,310 --> 01:19:18,425
I mean, sometimes friendships
[that you know I stood

1324
01:19:18,425 --> 01:19:19,440
in awe of.

1325
01:19:19,440 --> 01:19:22,250
And one, of course,
was Kurt [? Wandorf. ?]

1326
01:19:22,250 --> 01:19:24,710
And the other one was
a Viennese friend who

1327
01:19:24,710 --> 01:19:27,500
introduced him to my mother.

1328
01:19:27,500 --> 01:19:31,770

1329
01:19:31,770 --> 01:19:34,620
So it was a Viennese
friend who introduces him

1330
01:19:34,620 --> 01:19:36,840
to Margarete von Mossig.

1331
01:19:36,840 --> 01:19:38,270
Yes.

1332
01:19:38,270 --> 01:19:45,820
And he, I think he was also in
love with Margarete von Mossig.

1333
01:19:45,820 --> 01:19:48,190

When did your parents marry?

1334

01:19:48,190 --> 01:19:51,130
1922-- November 1923--

1335

01:19:51,130 --> 01:19:56,050
just when there was the
inflation, which virtually

1336

01:19:56,050 --> 01:20:01,730
erased all money [INAUDIBLE]
in Germany and Austria

1337

01:20:01,730 --> 01:20:02,780
particularly.

1338

01:20:02,780 --> 01:20:05,660

1339

01:20:05,660 --> 01:20:09,800
And did they settle
then in Gneixendorf?

1340

01:20:09,800 --> 01:20:12,540
They did settle in Gneixendorf.

1341

01:20:12,540 --> 01:20:20,610
And Grita turned
Gneixendorf around.

1342

01:20:20,610 --> 01:20:24,240
She was a real Viennese girl.

1343

01:20:24,240 --> 01:20:27,760
She was the first girl in
her family-- don't forget,

1344

01:20:27,760 --> 01:20:31,240
girls didn't go to
school in those days.

1345

01:20:31,240 --> 01:20:33,190

It was first generation.

1346
01:20:33,190 --> 01:20:36,450
She was the first
generation who graduated

1347
01:20:36,450 --> 01:20:41,110
for university entrance
in Prague of all places.

1348
01:20:41,110 --> 01:20:42,520
This is your mother?

1349
01:20:42,520 --> 01:20:44,170
My mother, yeah-- Grita.

1350
01:20:44,170 --> 01:20:45,580
Wow.

1351
01:20:45,580 --> 01:20:48,490
Yeah, she is a very bright--

1352
01:20:48,490 --> 01:20:49,600
bright woman.

1353
01:20:49,600 --> 01:20:54,850
And of course, when the
war finished, and was lost,

1354
01:20:54,850 --> 01:20:58,090
and her dad went back
to Vienna, didn't

1355
01:20:58,090 --> 01:21:00,020
want to go to work anymore.

1356
01:21:00,020 --> 01:21:02,300
So there wasn't much
money in the family.

1357
01:21:02,300 --> 01:21:08,980
She went out and created a

club for society youngsters

1358
01:21:08,980 --> 01:21:14,290
for reading books--

1359
01:21:14,290 --> 01:21:19,390
famous books, and generally
sort of a social club.

1360
01:21:19,390 --> 01:21:22,770
She was a clairvoyant
kind of person.

1361
01:21:22,770 --> 01:21:24,460
But nobody talked about it.

1362
01:21:24,460 --> 01:21:27,670
We only found out,
again, behind the times.

1363
01:21:27,670 --> 01:21:34,570
But she was quite an
amazing kind of person.

1364
01:21:34,570 --> 01:21:36,850
And of course,
Schloss Gneixendorf

1365
01:21:36,850 --> 01:21:39,640
was the ideal place.

1366
01:21:39,640 --> 01:21:43,780
She would have paying
guests and family guests.

1367
01:21:43,780 --> 01:21:48,030
The house was always full
of guests, and so on.

1368
01:21:48,030 --> 01:21:52,750
And that's what I remember
when I was just a little boy.

1369

01:21:52,750 --> 01:21:57,610
Amazing, amazing people there,
who were there for a time;

1370

01:21:57,610 --> 01:21:59,470
of course, the regulars.

1371

01:21:59,470 --> 01:22:02,380
And in particular, of
course, that friend,

1372

01:22:02,380 --> 01:22:03,940
the great inventor--

1373

01:22:03,940 --> 01:22:09,370

1374

01:22:09,370 --> 01:22:10,110
Don't worry.

1375

01:22:10,110 --> 01:22:11,040
It will come.

1376

01:22:11,040 --> 01:22:11,890
It will come.

1377

01:22:11,890 --> 01:22:12,830
It will come.

1378

01:22:12,830 --> 01:22:18,640

1379

01:22:18,640 --> 01:22:21,770
He was a count of something.

1380

01:22:21,770 --> 01:22:22,340
Riemesberg.

1381

01:22:22,340 --> 01:22:25,630
Count Riemesberg.

1382

01:22:25,630 --> 01:22:30,520

He was a magic person,
with photography.

1383

01:22:30,520 --> 01:22:33,790

And of course, my mother
loved being photographed,

1384

01:22:33,790 --> 01:22:36,100

being a beautiful person.

1385

01:22:36,100 --> 01:22:39,140

She also had a lot of painter
friends who would paint.

1386

01:22:39,140 --> 01:22:41,400

So they had all these
paintings and photographs

1387

01:22:41,400 --> 01:22:47,040

which to some extent
still around the family.

1388

01:22:47,040 --> 01:22:50,710

But she was a sort of heart
and soul of the party.

1389

01:22:50,710 --> 01:22:54,670

And suddenly my dad,
who was basically,

1390

01:22:54,670 --> 01:22:58,270

as far as the rest of
the family is concerned,

1391

01:22:58,270 --> 01:22:59,560

he was the youngest.

1392

01:22:59,560 --> 01:23:03,940

He had trouble getting
through the gymnasium.

1393

01:23:03,940 --> 01:23:09,280
So Georg passed, [? took ?]
colors, and so on.

1394
01:23:09,280 --> 01:23:12,640
He was a prisoner
of war in Russia.

1395
01:23:12,640 --> 01:23:13,450
I mean come on.

1396
01:23:13,450 --> 01:23:20,570
I mean, what can you
expect from that youngster?

1397
01:23:20,570 --> 01:23:24,250
So he had a hard time
reasserting himself.

1398
01:23:24,250 --> 01:23:28,915
But Grita, his wife did
a fantastic [INAUDIBLE]..

1399
01:23:28,915 --> 01:23:32,350
But she was only there
for a short time.

1400
01:23:32,350 --> 01:23:34,430
Tell me what happened.

1401
01:23:34,430 --> 01:23:36,137
What happened with Grita.

1402
01:23:36,137 --> 01:23:38,940
Well, he was-- hello?

1403
01:23:38,940 --> 01:23:40,920
Where are you?

1404
01:23:40,920 --> 01:23:42,680
Can you see me?

1405

01:23:42,680 --> 01:23:45,660
Yeah, now I can see you.

1406
01:23:45,660 --> 01:23:50,652
He had, very quickly,
four children.

1407
01:23:50,652 --> 01:23:53,910
And then she died
of blood poisoning

1408
01:23:53,910 --> 01:23:57,240
when I was about
three years old.

1409
01:23:57,240 --> 01:23:59,880
So you don't have
many memories of her.

1410
01:23:59,880 --> 01:24:03,900
I have only got just a few.

1411
01:24:03,900 --> 01:24:08,430
But I'm the only one of us kids
who has any physical memories.

1412
01:24:08,430 --> 01:24:11,490
But we-- particularly
with my sister, Rosemarie,

1413
01:24:11,490 --> 01:24:13,890
who is next to me--

1414
01:24:13,890 --> 01:24:16,720
a year and a half
younger than I am--

1415
01:24:16,720 --> 01:24:20,358
we've been really in a
way possessed by her.

1416
01:24:20,358 --> 01:24:23,170

1417
01:24:23,170 --> 01:24:25,270
Not at first, because
we didn't even

1418
01:24:25,270 --> 01:24:30,970
know she died, because
Dad was absolutely--

1419
01:24:30,970 --> 01:24:34,890
he ruled that nobody
would talk about her.

1420
01:24:34,890 --> 01:24:36,940
She just, next morning,
she wasn't there.

1421
01:24:36,940 --> 01:24:40,660

1422
01:24:40,660 --> 01:24:45,520
Maybe my first clear
memory was one evening,

1423
01:24:45,520 --> 01:24:47,840
when at night my
parents at [? least ?]

1424
01:24:47,840 --> 01:24:53,580
nightly picked me up from the
bed in the children's room,

1425
01:24:53,580 --> 01:24:55,960
and walked me to their bedroom.

1426
01:24:55,960 --> 01:25:00,550
And there was my mother
was lying there in the bed.

1427
01:25:00,550 --> 01:25:01,330
And she kissed me.

1428

01:25:01,330 --> 01:25:03,414
She only kissed us
on the [INAUDIBLE]..

1429
01:25:03,414 --> 01:25:06,550

1430
01:25:06,550 --> 01:25:07,300
Kissed me.

1431
01:25:07,300 --> 01:25:08,140
No words spoken.

1432
01:25:08,140 --> 01:25:11,770
Dad took me back to the bedroom.

1433
01:25:11,770 --> 01:25:14,800
I am certain I can't say it--

1434
01:25:14,800 --> 01:25:16,240
I can't be sure--

1435
01:25:16,240 --> 01:25:21,260
that that was the night she
died, because we didn't see her

1436
01:25:21,260 --> 01:25:22,260
anymore.

1437
01:25:22,260 --> 01:25:26,080
And servants were
carrying on as normal.

1438
01:25:26,080 --> 01:25:28,730
We were being fed and so on.

1439
01:25:28,730 --> 01:25:32,110
The only thing is Fila
and my grandmother

1440
01:25:32,110 --> 01:25:35,740
would be much more

around with us children,

1441
01:25:35,740 --> 01:25:38,250
and Fila, of course, then
took charge of Imgard

1442
01:25:38,250 --> 01:25:41,320
who was only a few weeks old.

1443
01:25:41,320 --> 01:25:44,220
And she, in a way,
became her mother.

1444
01:25:44,220 --> 01:25:46,930
The two children
and her [? maid ?]

1445
01:25:46,930 --> 01:25:49,030
were mother and daughter.

1446
01:25:49,030 --> 01:25:54,380

1447
01:25:54,380 --> 01:25:57,530
For a child, I
can't imagine what

1448
01:25:57,530 --> 01:25:59,960
it is like, because
you experience,

1449
01:25:59,960 --> 01:26:03,550
at that age, the world
through your emotions,

1450
01:26:03,550 --> 01:26:05,960
and completely
through your emotions.

1451
01:26:05,960 --> 01:26:09,350
So here is a presence,
and then it's gone,

1452

01:26:09,350 --> 01:26:12,110
and no explanation
as to what happened.

1453

01:26:12,110 --> 01:26:16,040

1454

01:26:16,040 --> 01:26:20,300
And this happens to you
when you're three years old.

1455

01:26:20,300 --> 01:26:22,850
And you had two younger sisters?

1456

01:26:22,850 --> 01:26:24,460
Yeah, two younger.

1457

01:26:24,460 --> 01:26:25,100
OK.

1458

01:26:25,100 --> 01:26:27,560
One of them is
Rosemarie, did you say?

1459

01:26:27,560 --> 01:26:28,820
Yeah, Rosemarie.

1460

01:26:28,820 --> 01:26:30,470
Rosemarie and I were very close.

1461

01:26:30,470 --> 01:26:33,360

1462

01:26:33,360 --> 01:26:38,640
And we were both, in
a sense, realizing,

1463

01:26:38,640 --> 01:26:42,880
as we grew up, that we, in
some way, possessed our mother.

1464

01:26:42,880 --> 01:26:44,960
It's very strange.

1465
01:26:44,960 --> 01:26:46,400
How do you explain that?

1466
01:26:46,400 --> 01:26:48,230
How does it manifest itself?

1467
01:26:48,230 --> 01:26:51,000
In what ways would you be--?

1468
01:26:51,000 --> 01:26:55,430
Well, OK.

1469
01:26:55,430 --> 01:26:58,190
One of the obvious things,
my sister Rosemarie,

1470
01:26:58,190 --> 01:27:01,490
who was [INAUDIBLE]
at the moment.

1471
01:27:01,490 --> 01:27:05,860
She's made it a definitely
ruling long, long ago

1472
01:27:05,860 --> 01:27:09,350
that she'll be buried
in the same grave

1473
01:27:09,350 --> 01:27:13,205
as my mother in Gneixendorf.

1474
01:27:13,205 --> 01:27:18,640

1475
01:27:18,640 --> 01:27:20,470
We never really
seriously discussed.

1476
01:27:20,470 --> 01:27:24,390

I mean, she obviously
collected anything

1477
01:27:24,390 --> 01:27:29,640
that could be found from our
mother, she would collect.

1478
01:27:29,640 --> 01:27:33,180
And she was in Germany
the whole time.

1479
01:27:33,180 --> 01:27:37,430
So she obviously had a
much better chance of me,

1480
01:27:37,430 --> 01:27:41,040
who was staying after
the war in England,

1481
01:27:41,040 --> 01:27:43,260
and then in South Africa later.

1482
01:27:43,260 --> 01:27:47,980

1483
01:27:47,980 --> 01:27:50,200
But even without--

1484
01:27:50,200 --> 01:27:53,230
I could [INAUDIBLE]
she would do something

1485
01:27:53,230 --> 01:27:56,110
that I would have wanted her
to do without having actually

1486
01:27:56,110 --> 01:27:57,202
asked her.

1487
01:27:57,202 --> 01:27:59,000
And it was that kind of thing.

1488

01:27:59,000 --> 01:28:09,360
And before we went
to South Africa,

1489
01:28:09,360 --> 01:28:13,770
I was working for
ITT, huge American

1490
01:28:13,770 --> 01:28:16,710
combine for the
German-speaking countries.

1491
01:28:16,710 --> 01:28:21,540
And we were living in kind
of a medieval little town

1492
01:28:21,540 --> 01:28:24,730
called Markgroningen,
outside of Stuttgart.

1493
01:28:24,730 --> 01:28:28,860
And Pam had insisted
that our children

1494
01:28:28,860 --> 01:28:31,448
would be born in England.

1495
01:28:31,448 --> 01:28:37,980
And so our daughter was
born before we left England.

1496
01:28:37,980 --> 01:28:47,460
But Carl was-- she especially
went back to that hospital,

1497
01:28:47,460 --> 01:28:51,910
where she'd made friends
with nurses, to have him.

1498
01:28:51,910 --> 01:28:58,590
And then she brought the
baby back to Markgroningen.

1499

01:28:58,590 --> 01:29:02,550
And then she
persuaded the sister

1500
01:29:02,550 --> 01:29:09,090
who was helping with the
birth to live with us,

1501
01:29:09,090 --> 01:29:13,170
looking after the baby, because
she was going out to work.

1502
01:29:13,170 --> 01:29:16,740
Pam was never one
for staying behind.

1503
01:29:16,740 --> 01:29:22,075
And then she said
she was a medium.

1504
01:29:22,075 --> 01:29:22,950
So we said all right.

1505
01:29:22,950 --> 01:29:24,990
One evening we'll
have a session.

1506
01:29:24,990 --> 01:29:29,400
We had this medium, this board,
Ouija board or something.

1507
01:29:29,400 --> 01:29:30,880
What's it called?

1508
01:29:30,880 --> 01:29:33,420
And so we have this session.

1509
01:29:33,420 --> 01:29:36,190
And of course, in no
time at all who comes up?

1510
01:29:36,190 --> 01:29:38,780
My mom.

1511
01:29:38,780 --> 01:29:47,985
And she doesn't stop talking
about us being in Johannesburg.

1512
01:29:47,985 --> 01:29:53,430
But Johannesburg, South Africa,
were not on our program at all.

1513
01:29:53,430 --> 01:29:55,660
We didn't like what
was going on there.

1514
01:29:55,660 --> 01:30:00,650
And so in the end,
I said to Mary,

1515
01:30:00,650 --> 01:30:02,610
for heaven's sake let's stop.

1516
01:30:02,610 --> 01:30:03,310
So we stopped.

1517
01:30:03,310 --> 01:30:06,190

1518
01:30:06,190 --> 01:30:11,480
And two years later we
were in Johannesburg.

1519
01:30:11,480 --> 01:30:16,970
Well, there are some of
us who believe in things

1520
01:30:16,970 --> 01:30:18,410
that we can't explain.

1521
01:30:18,410 --> 01:30:21,860
It is part of Catholicism
too, a kind of mystical--

1522
01:30:21,860 --> 01:30:24,200

I mean though most
priests would not approve

1523
01:30:24,200 --> 01:30:28,010
of any kind of Ouija board.

1524
01:30:28,010 --> 01:30:31,580
But there's a mystical
aspect to the faith

1525
01:30:31,580 --> 01:30:35,950
of people who believe in
things they can't explain,

1526
01:30:35,950 --> 01:30:40,910
and other people who
dismiss it as, well, this

1527
01:30:40,910 --> 01:30:44,150
is all some sort of snake oil.

1528
01:30:44,150 --> 01:30:49,040
But for you, when you
mentioned that your mother had

1529
01:30:49,040 --> 01:30:53,570
clairvoyant tendencies,
did your medium, when

1530
01:30:53,570 --> 01:30:57,390
you spoke with her, this lady
who took care of your children,

1531
01:30:57,390 --> 01:30:58,400
did she know that?

1532
01:30:58,400 --> 01:31:02,840
Did you share any details about
your mother at all with her?

1533
01:31:02,840 --> 01:31:03,760
No, not at all.

1534

01:31:03,760 --> 01:31:06,800

1535

01:31:06,800 --> 01:31:11,610

We didn't really know then
that she was a medium.

1536

01:31:11,610 --> 01:31:14,900

That only then sort of
gradually emerged from there.

1537

01:31:14,900 --> 01:31:17,210

And Rosie asked Dad--

1538

01:31:17,210 --> 01:31:18,990

our father-- some questions.

1539

01:31:18,990 --> 01:31:22,510

And he said, yeah, she
was a bit clairvoyant,

1540

01:31:22,510 --> 01:31:24,500

but then changed the subject.

1541

01:31:24,500 --> 01:31:27,590

It wasn't something the
family talked about.

1542

01:31:27,590 --> 01:31:34,190

Then of course, when his
sister, who kept diaries, died,

1543

01:31:34,190 --> 01:31:37,100

we found all her diaries.

1544

01:31:37,100 --> 01:31:39,710

She was horrified
about Grita's ability

1545

01:31:39,710 --> 01:31:42,430

to influence other people--

1546

01:31:42,430 --> 01:31:43,590
the fellows and so on.

1547

01:31:43,590 --> 01:31:46,320

1548

01:31:46,320 --> 01:31:49,550
She never said it to
my Dad, but she said --

1549

01:31:49,550 --> 01:31:52,810
Otto should never
marry her, [INAUDIBLE]..

1550

01:31:52,810 --> 01:31:54,350
This is your aunt Matilda.

1551

01:31:54,350 --> 01:31:56,300
Yeah, she wrote
that in her diary

1552

01:31:56,300 --> 01:31:59,740
that she certainly wasn't
the person to stand up to Dad

1553

01:31:59,740 --> 01:32:01,860
and tell him what he must do.

1554

01:32:01,860 --> 01:32:06,450
But the boys told
her what to do.

1555

01:32:06,450 --> 01:32:09,440
And she didn't marry the
guy who wanted to marry her.

1556

01:32:09,440 --> 01:32:12,695
I don't know to what extent
they were in love or not.

1557

01:32:12,695 --> 01:32:18,450
But the boys didn't think

he was the right [? guy. ?]

1558
01:32:18,450 --> 01:32:20,460
Tell me, who is your
youngest sister?

1559
01:32:20,460 --> 01:32:21,870
You had yet another sister.

1560
01:32:21,870 --> 01:32:23,340
Is that correct?

1561
01:32:23,340 --> 01:32:25,690
Yes, Imgard.

1562
01:32:25,690 --> 01:32:36,040
She was the one who was about
six weeks when her mother died.

1563
01:32:36,040 --> 01:32:40,190
And she and my dad have
always been at, sort of,

1564
01:32:40,190 --> 01:32:44,750
loggerheads, because she
always felt that that Dad was

1565
01:32:44,750 --> 01:32:49,560
blaming her for what happened.

1566
01:32:49,560 --> 01:32:50,480
Did he?

1567
01:32:50,480 --> 01:32:53,000
She talked [INAUDIBLE]
psychologists about him

1568
01:32:53,000 --> 01:32:53,910
and so on.

1569
01:32:53,910 --> 01:32:57,920
But I think the real cause was

probably the wound that I had.

1570
01:32:57,920 --> 01:33:01,300

1571
01:33:01,300 --> 01:33:01,960
What is that?

1572
01:33:01,960 --> 01:33:04,390
What do you mean by
the wound that you had?

1573
01:33:04,390 --> 01:33:07,090
The real cause--

1574
01:33:07,090 --> 01:33:12,760
We had all these Victorian
toys, which my parents had.

1575
01:33:12,760 --> 01:33:14,860
They were sort of
passed on to us,

1576
01:33:14,860 --> 01:33:18,430
because they couldn't
afford to buy us new toys.

1577
01:33:18,430 --> 01:33:27,850
And a toy elephant that was on
wheels, and heavy iron things.

1578
01:33:27,850 --> 01:33:33,790
And I crushed my
toe on my left foot.

1579
01:33:33,790 --> 01:33:37,390
And I got this osteomyelitis
which in those days

1580
01:33:37,390 --> 01:33:38,976
was incurable.

1581

01:33:38,976 --> 01:33:43,450
I had two operations in
the hospital in Krems,

1582
01:33:43,450 --> 01:33:48,030
and footbaths forever more.

1583
01:33:48,030 --> 01:33:49,690
But eventually did it did heel.

1584
01:33:49,690 --> 01:33:51,800
The doctors-- the
[INAUDIBLE] doctors-- said,

1585
01:33:51,800 --> 01:33:53,760
I can't believe it.

1586
01:33:53,760 --> 01:33:59,000
In post-war it would have
been no real problem.

1587
01:33:59,000 --> 01:34:02,650
So was this, let's say,
lead paint on that truck?

1588
01:34:02,650 --> 01:34:06,400
Was there some sort of
chemical that infected

1589
01:34:06,400 --> 01:34:09,730
your toe that caused
blood poisoning, like you

1590
01:34:09,730 --> 01:34:11,400
said it was with your mother?

1591
01:34:11,400 --> 01:34:16,950
I mean, nobody was, at that
time, trying to find out that.

1592
01:34:16,950 --> 01:34:19,570
I mean my mother
had blood poisoned,

1593
01:34:19,570 --> 01:34:24,460
and the doctor couldn't
rescue her, and that was that.

1594
01:34:24,460 --> 01:34:29,427
And then my dad, the way he
is, once a person is dead,

1595
01:34:29,427 --> 01:34:30,260
don't talk about it.

1596
01:34:30,260 --> 01:34:37,100

1597
01:34:37,100 --> 01:34:40,040
That must have been
very hard for children.

1598
01:34:40,040 --> 01:34:41,950
For some adults maybe
they can adjust,

1599
01:34:41,950 --> 01:34:47,150
but for children, as I said
earlier, there was a presence,

1600
01:34:47,150 --> 01:34:49,280
and then there is no person.

1601
01:34:49,280 --> 01:34:50,720
What happened to them?

1602
01:34:50,720 --> 01:34:53,020
And particularly
it's your mother.

1603
01:34:53,020 --> 01:35:00,310
So it's a key person, if not
the key person in your life.

1604
01:35:00,310 --> 01:35:04,390

Well, I mean, in a sense, our mother got--

1605
01:35:04,390 --> 01:35:06,500
I mean, or we got our own back--

1606
01:35:06,500 --> 01:35:10,060
because we were influenced by her all our life.

1607
01:35:10,060 --> 01:35:16,070
There are plenty of other instances of Rosie and I,

1608
01:35:16,070 --> 01:35:20,300
and also the way we sort of, without talking about it,

1609
01:35:20,300 --> 01:35:22,750
she would do something that I would have liked to do,

1610
01:35:22,750 --> 01:35:24,850
or vice versa.

1611
01:35:24,850 --> 01:35:32,696
I mean, I translated her latest book into English,

1612
01:35:32,696 --> 01:35:34,980
just before she died.

1613
01:35:34,980 --> 01:35:38,750
We together, over the--

1614
01:35:38,750 --> 01:35:39,350
Excuse me.

1615
01:35:39,350 --> 01:35:42,650
Does this mean your mother wrote a book, or Rosie wrote--

1616

01:35:42,650 --> 01:35:43,340
Rosie.

1617
01:35:43,340 --> 01:35:48,650
I mean Rosie became a
famous professor in Germany.

1618
01:35:48,650 --> 01:35:49,970
What was her full name then?

1619
01:35:49,970 --> 01:35:51,770
Did she marry?

1620
01:35:51,770 --> 01:35:52,880
No, she didn't marry.

1621
01:35:52,880 --> 01:35:55,350
So it was von Schweitzer.

1622
01:35:55,350 --> 01:35:56,850
Rosemarie von--

1623
01:35:56,850 --> 01:35:59,650
Doctor Rosemarie von Schweitzer.

1624
01:35:59,650 --> 01:36:00,560
OK.

1625
01:36:00,560 --> 01:36:01,580
OK.

1626
01:36:01,580 --> 01:36:05,960
And the image that I'm
getting of your father

1627
01:36:05,960 --> 01:36:12,230
is that he was a little
harsh, or a little bit

1628
01:36:12,230 --> 01:36:16,900
cut off from emotions, cut
off from whatever feeling.

1629
01:36:16,900 --> 01:36:19,580
It must have been very hard
for him to lose his wife.

1630
01:36:19,580 --> 01:36:21,800
If he was the one who
has been in the shadow,

1631
01:36:21,800 --> 01:36:25,430
and she was the shining star,
and all of a sudden she's gone,

1632
01:36:25,430 --> 01:36:29,990
it's like the shining star is
gone, and it's very painful.

1633
01:36:29,990 --> 01:36:30,500
Yeah.

1634
01:36:30,500 --> 01:36:36,710
Well, he fell in love with
my wonderful stepmother

1635
01:36:36,710 --> 01:36:41,950
not much more than six
months after my mother died.

1636
01:36:41,950 --> 01:36:43,350
OK.

1637
01:36:43,350 --> 01:36:50,030
And it was not something that
he deliberately brought about.

1638
01:36:50,030 --> 01:36:58,370
But he went to an agricultural
exhibition in Germany.

1639
01:36:58,370 --> 01:37:03,070
And he met there
his cousin Rango,

1640

01:37:03,070 --> 01:37:09,870
from one of her
grandmother's siblings,

1641

01:37:09,870 --> 01:37:14,850
who had married into
the German family.

1642

01:37:14,850 --> 01:37:16,390
And who was there?

1643

01:37:16,390 --> 01:37:17,610
Ula Ripke.

1644

01:37:17,610 --> 01:37:20,130
And the two fell in
love with each other.

1645

01:37:20,130 --> 01:37:25,230
And of course, there again,
there was that kind of scene

1646

01:37:25,230 --> 01:37:30,350
that her father said,
if you marry this guy,

1647

01:37:30,350 --> 01:37:33,850
we won't talk anymore.

1648

01:37:33,850 --> 01:37:37,450
So what was wrong with
your father in his eyes,

1649

01:37:37,450 --> 01:37:39,850
in Ula Ripke's father's eyes?

1650

01:37:39,850 --> 01:37:41,620
What was wrong with
your father there?

1651

01:37:41,620 --> 01:37:43,040
Because he had three kids?

1652
01:37:43,040 --> 01:37:45,880
First of all, he was a Catholic.

1653
01:37:45,880 --> 01:37:48,000
Secondly, he had
already three children

1654
01:37:48,000 --> 01:37:49,990
from a different marriage.

1655
01:37:49,990 --> 01:37:56,170
And third, his
estate sounded OK,

1656
01:37:56,170 --> 01:38:01,465
but it wasn't particularly
economically viable,

1657
01:38:01,465 --> 01:38:02,340
which is all correct.

1658
01:38:02,340 --> 01:38:05,480

1659
01:38:05,480 --> 01:38:09,770
But she married him anyway.

1660
01:38:09,770 --> 01:38:11,010
Married him anyway.

1661
01:38:11,010 --> 01:38:12,950
And afterwards he was--

1662
01:38:12,950 --> 01:38:16,280
I didn't have any
real grandfathers.

1663
01:38:16,280 --> 01:38:18,650
But he was a true
grandfather to me.

1664

01:38:18,650 --> 01:38:22,700

1665

01:38:22,700 --> 01:38:23,810

How nice.

1666

01:38:23,810 --> 01:38:25,040

How nice.

1667

01:38:25,040 --> 01:38:27,020

So tell me about all--

1668

01:38:27,020 --> 01:38:30,500

He was completely,
I mean, outraged.

1669

01:38:30,500 --> 01:38:32,330

Because he was the sort of guy--

1670

01:38:32,330 --> 01:38:34,170

he came from Poland.

1671

01:38:34,170 --> 01:38:36,410

And he came.

1672

01:38:36,410 --> 01:38:41,180

He had, the parents
again, village pub.

1673

01:38:41,180 --> 01:38:42,440

Father dies.

1674

01:38:42,440 --> 01:38:45,070

Mother has the
pub now, suddenly.

1675

01:38:45,070 --> 01:38:47,020

She's got this.

1676

01:38:47,020 --> 01:38:47,910

Only two children.

1677
01:38:47,910 --> 01:38:50,660
One, the girl, gets married.

1678
01:38:50,660 --> 01:38:52,870
She's got a son
and three sisters.

1679
01:38:52,870 --> 01:38:55,460
Look, that boy is so gifted.

1680
01:38:55,460 --> 01:38:57,186
He must go to high school.

1681
01:38:57,186 --> 01:39:01,050
So she sells the
farm to the pub.

1682
01:39:01,050 --> 01:39:05,820
And so he can go to the
symposium, to the gymnasium.

1683
01:39:05,820 --> 01:39:07,980
He goes to the
gymnasium, in Posnan.

1684
01:39:07,980 --> 01:39:14,820
He goes off to
Freiberg in Germany,

1685
01:39:14,820 --> 01:39:17,800
becomes a young doctor.

1686
01:39:17,800 --> 01:39:20,110
I mean he just
went from strength.

1687
01:39:20,110 --> 01:39:23,550
He was the kind of
guy who was totally

1688
01:39:23,550 --> 01:39:25,230

devoted to what he was doing.

1689
01:39:25,230 --> 01:39:29,360

1690
01:39:29,360 --> 01:39:32,630
When I knew him, he was
on the point of retiring.

1691
01:39:32,630 --> 01:39:38,250
He was heading a huge
[INAUDIBLE] sanatorium

1692
01:39:38,250 --> 01:39:44,040
on the top of a hillside
in central Germany.

1693
01:39:44,040 --> 01:39:45,780
And he'd written books.

1694
01:39:45,780 --> 01:39:50,190
He was contributing to
medical periodicals.

1695
01:39:50,190 --> 01:39:52,070
I think he's been translated.

1696
01:39:52,070 --> 01:39:57,140
At the time he was probably
one of the leading lung

1697
01:39:57,140 --> 01:39:59,690
surgeons in the world.

1698
01:39:59,690 --> 01:40:03,830
Of course, the war sort
of cut everything off.

1699
01:40:03,830 --> 01:40:06,256
You're talking about
World War II, now, or--?

1700

01:40:06,256 --> 01:40:08,230
Yes, World War II, yeah.

1701
01:40:08,230 --> 01:40:10,510
But I went through,
for one year,

1702
01:40:10,510 --> 01:40:15,420
in 1940 to '41, when he
was retired in Wiesbaden,

1703
01:40:15,420 --> 01:40:16,610
in Germany.

1704
01:40:16,610 --> 01:40:20,950
And that was the first time when
I went to a city high school.

1705
01:40:20,950 --> 01:40:33,394
And I had good marks on my
local high school thing.

1706
01:40:33,394 --> 01:40:36,620
But the headmaster
said, I don't know

1707
01:40:36,620 --> 01:40:41,210
what these countryside
[? city ?] towns do.

1708
01:40:41,210 --> 01:40:46,640
I think you got to take tests
in all the main subjects.

1709
01:40:46,640 --> 01:40:49,020
I said tests in
all these subjects.

1710
01:40:49,020 --> 01:40:52,640
I failed all of them.

1711
01:40:52,640 --> 01:40:56,600
So I went back to

Grosspapa, and I said, look.

1712
01:40:56,600 --> 01:40:58,060
I mean, this is terrible.

1713
01:40:58,060 --> 01:41:03,790
I don't want to start with
one year back in high school.

1714
01:41:03,790 --> 01:41:08,350
And he said, no,
we'll show them.

1715
01:41:08,350 --> 01:41:12,980
Professor Doctor Ripke
with me, headmaster bowed.

1716
01:41:12,980 --> 01:41:17,156
[LAUGHS]

1717
01:41:17,156 --> 01:41:22,570
And the headmaster said,
now look, we can reconsider,

1718
01:41:22,570 --> 01:41:32,310
if you, a professor will see
to it that your nephew will get

1719
01:41:32,310 --> 01:41:36,720
the necessary study help,
we'll accept him provisionally,

1720
01:41:36,720 --> 01:41:38,480
and we'll see at
the end of the year

1721
01:41:38,480 --> 01:41:41,130
whether he'll make the
grades, which is what happened

1722
01:41:41,130 --> 01:41:43,250
[? with him. ?]

1723

01:41:43,250 --> 01:41:47,840

So this your
stepmother's father--

1724

01:41:47,840 --> 01:41:48,866

[INAUDIBLE]

1725

01:41:48,866 --> 01:41:51,130

--who is like your Grandpapa.

1726

01:41:51,130 --> 01:41:58,130

Who violently argued against
his daughter marrying my dad.

1727

01:41:58,130 --> 01:42:02,420

But once the marriage was
done, the typical Prussian way,

1728

01:42:02,420 --> 01:42:08,860

then I was part of the
family, no matter what.

1729

01:42:08,860 --> 01:42:10,570

Did they have children?

1730

01:42:10,570 --> 01:42:13,420

Did Ula and your
father have children?

1731

01:42:13,420 --> 01:42:15,790

Not Ula.

1732

01:42:15,790 --> 01:42:22,850

Funny enough, her
mother was Margarete,

1733

01:42:22,850 --> 01:42:26,290

and his name was Otto,
exactly like my parents--

1734

01:42:26,290 --> 01:42:27,540

name, first names.

1735
01:42:27,540 --> 01:42:30,370

1736
01:42:30,370 --> 01:42:34,670
So you didn't have any
stepbrothers and sisters?

1737
01:42:34,670 --> 01:42:38,340
Oh, no.

1738
01:42:38,340 --> 01:42:41,060
They were our stepmother's--

1739
01:42:41,060 --> 01:42:43,620
they were siblings.

1740
01:42:43,620 --> 01:42:48,770
They were four
boys and two girls.

1741
01:42:48,770 --> 01:42:52,160
So you're saying that she
had brothers and sisters.

1742
01:42:52,160 --> 01:42:55,420
Yes, we were the eldest child.

1743
01:42:55,420 --> 01:43:00,840
And then there were
three boys and one girl,

1744
01:43:00,840 --> 01:43:03,640
and then [INAUDIBLE].

1745
01:43:03,640 --> 01:43:04,660
OK.

1746
01:43:04,660 --> 01:43:06,030
OK.

1747

01:43:06,030 --> 01:43:10,600
Most of the boys
died in the war.

1748
01:43:10,600 --> 01:43:11,890
World War II.

1749
01:43:11,890 --> 01:43:12,575
World War II.

1750
01:43:12,575 --> 01:43:16,380

1751
01:43:16,380 --> 01:43:19,610
How many years did you
live in Gneixendorf?

1752
01:43:19,610 --> 01:43:23,930
How long was your
childhood there?

1753
01:43:23,930 --> 01:43:26,500
'26 to '35-- nine years.

1754
01:43:26,500 --> 01:43:29,450
Well, eight years something.

1755
01:43:29,450 --> 01:43:31,300
And why did you leave?

1756
01:43:31,300 --> 01:43:33,160
Why did the family leave?

1757
01:43:33,160 --> 01:43:39,640
Because as grandfather
Ripke already foresaw,

1758
01:43:39,640 --> 01:43:43,520
it just wasn't possible.

1759
01:43:43,520 --> 01:43:45,820
And then it was 1932.

1760
01:43:45,820 --> 01:43:51,022
It was still during the
big world Depression.

1761
01:43:51,022 --> 01:43:53,870
And that definitely
sort of finally

1762
01:43:53,870 --> 01:43:56,570
killed over my dad's effort to--

1763
01:43:56,570 --> 01:43:59,420
I mean, he sort of
turned the farm around

1764
01:43:59,420 --> 01:44:01,070
into something American-style.

1765
01:44:01,070 --> 01:44:07,240
Just be a huge
chicken farm, and--

1766
01:44:07,240 --> 01:44:10,992

1767
01:44:10,992 --> 01:44:11,700
what's it called?

1768
01:44:11,700 --> 01:44:12,640
[NON-ENGLISH].

1769
01:44:12,640 --> 01:44:15,520
What--

1770
01:44:15,520 --> 01:44:16,940
What was the word that you--

1771
01:44:16,940 --> 01:44:19,010
Combine harvester.

1772

01:44:19,010 --> 01:44:20,560
Oh, OK.

1773
01:44:20,560 --> 01:44:21,390
Yeah.

1774
01:44:21,390 --> 01:44:21,890
Yeah.

1775
01:44:21,890 --> 01:44:24,320
So it was really
mechanized farming there.

1776
01:44:24,320 --> 01:44:28,160

1777
01:44:28,160 --> 01:44:32,660
And then, of course, there
was Ula Mutti is saying look,

1778
01:44:32,660 --> 01:44:33,160
you know.

1779
01:44:33,160 --> 01:44:34,130
I've got connections.

1780
01:44:34,130 --> 01:44:38,500
She was a household teacher,
trained household teacher.

1781
01:44:38,500 --> 01:44:42,820
She was the other person,
woman, in the family who

1782
01:44:42,820 --> 01:44:47,240
had a full up to
university education,

1783
01:44:47,240 --> 01:44:50,380
for the first time
in the family.

1784

01:44:50,380 --> 01:44:53,390
And she was a very,
very capable person.

1785
01:44:53,390 --> 01:44:58,150
So tell me about her
personality a little bit.

1786
01:44:58,150 --> 01:45:03,280
I mean, I hesitate to
say it, but also did

1787
01:45:03,280 --> 01:45:04,660
she replace the mother?

1788
01:45:04,660 --> 01:45:06,480
Was she really like the mother?

1789
01:45:06,480 --> 01:45:08,210
No, she was totally different.

1790
01:45:08,210 --> 01:45:11,560
But she was an outstanding
mother, that's for sure.

1791
01:45:11,560 --> 01:45:13,410
She made everybody work.

1792
01:45:13,410 --> 01:45:15,520
Everybody had to do something.

1793
01:45:15,520 --> 01:45:17,230
There was no let-up.

1794
01:45:17,230 --> 01:45:22,070
You had to learn things,
do things, so on.

1795
01:45:22,070 --> 01:45:24,280
I mean, but she was
also a good entertainer.

1796

01:45:24,280 --> 01:45:27,130
I mean, particularly
also [INAUDIBLE]

1797
01:45:27,130 --> 01:45:31,950
way she picked up
from my first mother,

1798
01:45:31,950 --> 01:45:35,650
all her relations and so on,
she kept up all the relations.

1799
01:45:35,650 --> 01:45:39,460

1800
01:45:39,460 --> 01:45:43,960
But she had that
managerial ability,

1801
01:45:43,960 --> 01:45:47,910
which I don't think
my real mother had.

1802
01:45:47,910 --> 01:45:49,860
Was she kind?

1803
01:45:49,860 --> 01:45:51,390
Yeah, very kind.

1804
01:45:51,390 --> 01:45:53,820
She was tough, but very kind.

1805
01:45:53,820 --> 01:45:56,520

1806
01:45:56,520 --> 01:45:57,860
She involved you in it.

1807
01:45:57,860 --> 01:46:01,560
You had to do things with
her, and run with her,

1808

01:46:01,560 --> 01:46:07,020
and do this, and go, and so
on, which sometimes, I mean,

1809
01:46:07,020 --> 01:46:10,920
I often tried to escape it,
to get into the library.

1810
01:46:10,920 --> 01:46:14,040
Nobody was looking
[INAUDIBLE] me.

1811
01:46:14,040 --> 01:46:15,460
That was the thing.

1812
01:46:15,460 --> 01:46:17,960
But there was no
let up with her.

1813
01:46:17,960 --> 01:46:18,890
She was a--

1814
01:46:18,890 --> 01:46:22,180
[LAUGHS]

1815
01:46:22,180 --> 01:46:26,130
And so you described
the castle to me.

1816
01:46:26,130 --> 01:46:29,250
You described the town a
little bit, the village.

1817
01:46:29,250 --> 01:46:31,770
And Krems is nearby.

1818
01:46:31,770 --> 01:46:33,870
Did you have a
lot of interaction

1819
01:46:33,870 --> 01:46:37,020
with your neighbors, with
the neighborhood kids,

1820
01:46:37,020 --> 01:46:41,700
with people in both
of these places?

1821
01:46:41,700 --> 01:46:43,510
Or this world that
you have describe

1822
01:46:43,510 --> 01:46:46,170
for me sounds so
full, and so many

1823
01:46:46,170 --> 01:46:49,290
different adult
characters with their very

1824
01:46:49,290 --> 01:46:52,310
interesting biographies.

1825
01:46:52,310 --> 01:46:53,910
Was that enough?

1826
01:46:53,910 --> 01:46:59,720
Well, in Austria, the thing was,
of course, the Schloss people

1827
01:46:59,720 --> 01:47:02,270
wouldn't mix with the villagers.

1828
01:47:02,270 --> 01:47:04,100
But I took the liberty.

1829
01:47:04,100 --> 01:47:06,200
I think I was the first boy.

1830
01:47:06,200 --> 01:47:09,410
I just wandered out, and
played with a [INAUDIBLE],,

1831
01:47:09,410 --> 01:47:15,220
and met boys and girls,

basically children

1832
01:47:15,220 --> 01:47:18,920
of our workers, and
then the other children.

1833
01:47:18,920 --> 01:47:22,000
And then, of course, I had
to join, for the first time

1834
01:47:22,000 --> 01:47:30,690
again with the family,
the local primary school.

1835
01:47:30,690 --> 01:47:34,100
So again, met with a
firmer, further kind

1836
01:47:34,100 --> 01:47:39,290
of range of village
people-- the lower village,

1837
01:47:39,290 --> 01:47:40,880
not just the upper village.

1838
01:47:40,880 --> 01:47:43,640

1839
01:47:43,640 --> 01:47:47,730
I think that my sisters--

1840
01:47:47,730 --> 01:47:51,960
well, Rosie also had to
go to the village school.

1841
01:47:51,960 --> 01:47:57,570
So that was a break from
the previous generation,

1842
01:47:57,570 --> 01:48:02,190
that where we [INAUDIBLE],,
especially the girls, not --

1843

01:48:02,190 --> 01:48:04,754
only had home education anyway.

1844

01:48:04,754 --> 01:48:06,320
Nothing proper schooling.

1845

01:48:06,320 --> 01:48:10,350

1846

01:48:10,350 --> 01:48:13,230
Was this an entirely
Catholic place?

1847

01:48:13,230 --> 01:48:14,310
Yes.

1848

01:48:14,310 --> 01:48:16,810
Yeah.

1849

01:48:16,810 --> 01:48:19,380
Did you ever meet
any Jewish people

1850

01:48:19,380 --> 01:48:22,107
in these years when
you were living there?

1851

01:48:22,107 --> 01:48:27,665
[LAUGHS] Yes.

1852

01:48:27,665 --> 01:48:34,700
I mean, when my real mother was,
and she had all these guests

1853

01:48:34,700 --> 01:48:36,700
in-- paying guests
and otherwise--

1854

01:48:36,700 --> 01:48:39,350

1855

01:48:39,350 --> 01:48:42,860
there were Jewish
people among them.

1856
01:48:42,860 --> 01:48:47,240
I remember a Jewish
artist who was making

1857
01:48:47,240 --> 01:48:52,960
these small figures of people--

1858
01:48:52,960 --> 01:48:54,700
men, women, and children--

1859
01:48:54,700 --> 01:49:01,222
in traditional
dresses, for Tyvol

1860
01:49:01,222 --> 01:49:05,140
and different parts
of the country.

1861
01:49:05,140 --> 01:49:11,030
My dad put one of his
chicken stable things,

1862
01:49:11,030 --> 01:49:13,100
and it had to sort of
special [INAUDIBLE],,

1863
01:49:13,100 --> 01:49:16,360
which we pull along
onto the tractor.

1864
01:49:16,360 --> 01:49:19,350
He put that up
behind our garden.

1865
01:49:19,350 --> 01:49:21,205
And he had that as a studio.

1866
01:49:21,205 --> 01:49:23,730

1867
01:49:23,730 --> 01:49:29,100
Oh, so this person, he had
an enlarged chicken coop

1868
01:49:29,100 --> 01:49:30,540
as a studio?

1869
01:49:30,540 --> 01:49:31,350
Yeah, that's right.

1870
01:49:31,350 --> 01:49:35,710

1871
01:49:35,710 --> 01:49:38,280
But this is a time when
you were three years old.

1872
01:49:38,280 --> 01:49:39,252
Yeah, that's right.

1873
01:49:39,252 --> 01:49:39,960
And you remember.

1874
01:49:39,960 --> 01:49:43,050
You have this-- yeah.

1875
01:49:43,050 --> 01:49:50,140
Back then there was another
lady, a Hungarian lady,

1876
01:49:50,140 --> 01:50:01,210
who was married to a local
manufacturer [INAUDIBLE],,

1877
01:50:01,210 --> 01:50:03,780
to a manufacturer.

1878
01:50:03,780 --> 01:50:04,530
What was her name?

1879

01:50:04,530 --> 01:50:07,480

1880

01:50:07,480 --> 01:50:09,060

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1881

01:50:09,060 --> 01:50:16,150

Anyway, she was a beautiful,
black haired youth

1882

01:50:16,150 --> 01:50:17,800

married to him.

1883

01:50:17,800 --> 01:50:22,000

Anyway, and she
was one of a family

1884

01:50:22,000 --> 01:50:26,620

that my mother had
introduced to Gneixendorf.

1885

01:50:26,620 --> 01:50:35,910

And she was the sort of life and
soul of the party, very lively,

1886

01:50:35,910 --> 01:50:42,050

very, very much my
mother's type person.

1887

01:50:42,050 --> 01:50:49,850

And she gave Rosie a
black doll as a present.

1888

01:50:49,850 --> 01:50:51,950

And for some reason,
that black doll

1889

01:50:51,950 --> 01:50:54,280

meant an awful lot to Rosie.

1890

01:50:54,280 --> 01:50:59,390

And when we were on the
train to resettle in Germany,

1891
01:50:59,390 --> 01:51:02,320
she was clutching
her black doll.

1892
01:51:02,320 --> 01:51:04,500
And the parents were
getting more and more

1893
01:51:04,500 --> 01:51:07,760
anxious before
the German border.

1894
01:51:07,760 --> 01:51:10,700
This means your father
and your stepmother?

1895
01:51:10,700 --> 01:51:11,810
Stepmother.

1896
01:51:11,810 --> 01:51:18,590
And my stepmother had bought a
beautiful white doll for her,

1897
01:51:18,590 --> 01:51:21,710
and tried to sort
of hand it to her.

1898
01:51:21,710 --> 01:51:25,610
And she was refusing
to hold her.

1899
01:51:25,610 --> 01:51:30,680
In the end, my dad, just
before we got to the frontier,

1900
01:51:30,680 --> 01:51:33,350
just grabbed the doll--
the black doll-- from her

1901
01:51:33,350 --> 01:51:36,660
and took it away.

1902

01:51:36,660 --> 01:51:42,430

And Rosie was so upset,
screamed and cried.

1903

01:51:42,430 --> 01:51:43,850

Can't believe it.

1904

01:51:43,850 --> 01:51:46,910

And even as a
university professor,

1905

01:51:46,910 --> 01:51:48,975

she would come up
with how terrible

1906

01:51:48,975 --> 01:51:54,290

it was when that baby
doll was dragged off.

1907

01:51:54,290 --> 01:51:56,410

It was amazing.

1908

01:51:56,410 --> 01:51:59,210

A university professor
saw this and came up--

1909

01:51:59,210 --> 01:52:00,400

oh, are you saying your--

1910

01:52:00,400 --> 01:52:04,310

Rosie becomes a
university professor.

1911

01:52:04,310 --> 01:52:08,320

She had become a
university professor.

1912

01:52:08,320 --> 01:52:12,150

And she still was
suffering from that blow.

1913

01:52:12,150 --> 01:52:16,390

And Dad just grabbed
that black doll from her.

1914
01:52:16,390 --> 01:52:19,070
Why do you think he did that?

1915
01:52:19,070 --> 01:52:20,740
Because of the German frontier.

1916
01:52:20,740 --> 01:52:25,350
Could you imagine the Nazi kind
of inspectors, what would they

1917
01:52:25,350 --> 01:52:25,850
have done?

1918
01:52:25,850 --> 01:52:28,340
I mean, they would have
made a big scene about it.

1919
01:52:28,340 --> 01:52:33,600
And we were trying to
immigrate to Germany

1920
01:52:33,600 --> 01:52:35,570
with a clean kind of ticket.

1921
01:52:35,570 --> 01:52:39,010

1922
01:52:39,010 --> 01:52:42,220
So I want to go back
a little bit here.

1923
01:52:42,220 --> 01:52:49,120
The one part that you told
me that sounded so jarring

1924
01:52:49,120 --> 01:52:53,740
is when you said that you had
gotten some kind of infection

1925

01:52:53,740 --> 01:52:57,730
and poisoning in your toe
because of toys that had been

1926
01:52:57,730 --> 01:53:00,940
handed down from Victorian era.

1927
01:53:00,940 --> 01:53:03,820
And the reason why
they're handed down

1928
01:53:03,820 --> 01:53:06,280
is that your parents
don't have enough money

1929
01:53:06,280 --> 01:53:08,680
to buy new toys for you.

1930
01:53:08,680 --> 01:53:10,450
Is that correct?

1931
01:53:10,450 --> 01:53:12,130
Yeah, that is correct.

1932
01:53:12,130 --> 01:53:16,180
Because I mean with a
big castle like that,

1933
01:53:16,180 --> 01:53:19,930
and the economic
situation, and my dad

1934
01:53:19,930 --> 01:53:24,670
having to take over from
people who were supposed

1935
01:53:24,670 --> 01:53:30,660
to look after the farming
side during the war, who

1936
01:53:30,660 --> 01:53:34,210
weren't qualified, and who
grabbed stuff for their own.

1937
01:53:34,210 --> 01:53:35,960
I mean my dad said something.

1938
01:53:35,960 --> 01:53:38,560
there were weeds
all over the place.

1939
01:53:38,560 --> 01:53:41,710
And it's in a terrible
state, the estate,

1940
01:53:41,710 --> 01:53:43,900
because there were no--

1941
01:53:43,900 --> 01:53:46,930
there was no man
around to deal with it.

1942
01:53:46,930 --> 01:53:50,470
There were servants
who were supposedly

1943
01:53:50,470 --> 01:53:52,160
looking after the estate.

1944
01:53:52,160 --> 01:53:55,810

1945
01:53:55,810 --> 01:53:59,290
So is this what
you mean when you

1946
01:53:59,290 --> 01:54:03,100
say that the founder
from the 18th century

1947
01:54:03,100 --> 01:54:06,430
had created a fortune
that by the time

1948
01:54:06,430 --> 01:54:10,270

you are born most of
it has been dissipated.

1949
01:54:10,270 --> 01:54:12,010
Most of it has disappeared.

1950
01:54:12,010 --> 01:54:14,600

1951
01:54:14,600 --> 01:54:17,840
Yeah, definitely
completely disappeared.

1952
01:54:17,840 --> 01:54:21,640
And then of course the
inflation wiped out any sort

1953
01:54:21,640 --> 01:54:24,700
of bank money altogether.

1954
01:54:24,700 --> 01:54:29,500
So everything had to be
done from square one again.

1955
01:54:29,500 --> 01:54:32,130

1956
01:54:32,130 --> 01:54:34,448
And of course they
weren't used to it.

1957
01:54:34,448 --> 01:54:35,240
That's the problem.

1958
01:54:35,240 --> 01:54:39,370
And they'd been
living, growing old,

1959
01:54:39,370 --> 01:54:42,470
in a totally different place.

1960
01:54:42,470 --> 01:54:44,530

Yeah.

1961

01:54:44,530 --> 01:54:45,160

You're right.

1962

01:54:45,160 --> 01:54:52,090

I mean the whole transformation
of one kind of society

1963

01:54:52,090 --> 01:54:54,820

in the early part
of the 20th century

1964

01:54:54,820 --> 01:54:58,360

to a different kind of society,
and how people were then

1965

01:54:58,360 --> 01:55:01,090

going to make their
living and make ends meet,

1966

01:55:01,090 --> 01:55:04,320

it just completely
went upside down.

1967

01:55:04,320 --> 01:55:08,740

But if you were, for
example, from a noble family,

1968

01:55:08,740 --> 01:55:12,000

you didn't have to think
about things like that

1969

01:55:12,000 --> 01:55:14,560

in such a business way before.

1970

01:55:14,560 --> 01:55:18,130

The trouble is a noble
family with money is OK.

1971

01:55:18,130 --> 01:55:21,400

Without money it's even
worse off than other people,

1972
01:55:21,400 --> 01:55:23,750
because you haven't
learned to work hard.

1973
01:55:23,750 --> 01:55:27,750

1974
01:55:27,750 --> 01:55:34,080
But my dad of course,
he had to carry

1975
01:55:34,080 --> 01:55:41,840
this change, because Georg,
his elder brother, was no good.

1976
01:55:41,840 --> 01:55:44,150
Why was Georg no good at this?

1977
01:55:44,150 --> 01:55:44,900
He was a know-all.

1978
01:55:44,900 --> 01:55:48,540

1979
01:55:48,540 --> 01:55:50,700
He was a total failure.

1980
01:55:50,700 --> 01:55:56,270
I mean, he was a kind of
Nazi, but then we, the family,

1981
01:55:56,270 --> 01:55:57,740
didn't know what he was.

1982
01:55:57,740 --> 01:55:59,250
He was just a [? figure ?] man.

1983
01:55:59,250 --> 01:56:03,075
But I mean he didn't
have any children.

1984

01:56:03,075 --> 01:56:06,410

1985

01:56:06,410 --> 01:56:08,180

Did he not marry?

1986

01:56:08,180 --> 01:56:08,960

Yeah, he married.

1987

01:56:08,960 --> 01:56:17,250

But he saw a beautiful
girl on the tram in Vienna

1988

01:56:17,250 --> 01:56:24,080

while he was studying law,
which he never finished.

1989

01:56:24,080 --> 01:56:29,300

And he fell in love
with her just like that.

1990

01:56:29,300 --> 01:56:30,940

She married him.

1991

01:56:30,940 --> 01:56:36,470

And You know Tilla wrote
in her diary, not our kind.

1992

01:56:36,470 --> 01:56:38,780

But aunt Emmie, as
she turned out to be,

1993

01:56:38,780 --> 01:56:41,810

was a wonderful aunt.

1994

01:56:41,810 --> 01:56:44,270

I mean she
represented everything

1995

01:56:44,270 --> 01:56:46,090

that Georg didn't represent.

1996

01:56:46,090 --> 01:56:50,910

And he [? stole ?] off
my dad, and he just

1997

01:56:50,910 --> 01:56:51,900

couldn't get on at all.

1998

01:56:51,900 --> 01:56:55,260

1999

01:56:55,260 --> 01:56:58,540

Was there any friction
as to inheritance?

2000

01:56:58,540 --> 01:57:01,530

Because there are the three
children, and your father

2001

01:57:01,530 --> 01:57:02,520

is the youngest.

2002

01:57:02,520 --> 01:57:05,970

And usually the youngest
does not inherit things.

2003

01:57:05,970 --> 01:57:14,510

Well, I mean, Georg had
at least Langenfeld.

2004

01:57:14,510 --> 01:57:21,890

That was his grandfather
had decided, because he so

2005

01:57:21,890 --> 01:57:26,220

disapproved of his
son's wedding that he

2006

01:57:26,220 --> 01:57:33,120

had made it a legal deal
that his son, his children,

2007

01:57:33,120 --> 01:57:38,370

would not be able to
inherit Langenfeld--

2008
01:57:38,370 --> 01:57:39,990
Schloss Langenfeld.

2009
01:57:39,990 --> 01:57:43,470
They could only utilize it.

2010
01:57:43,470 --> 01:57:51,170
The first person to inherit it
would be the eldest grandson

2011
01:57:51,170 --> 01:57:53,600
when he reached the age of 21.

2012
01:57:53,600 --> 01:57:56,275
And that happened
to be me, that 21.

2013
01:57:56,275 --> 01:57:58,780

2014
01:57:58,780 --> 01:57:59,310
OK.

2015
01:57:59,310 --> 01:58:03,200
Langenfeld is something that
we haven't spoken about.

2016
01:58:03,200 --> 01:58:05,540
So I'm a little bit confused.

2017
01:58:05,540 --> 01:58:08,680
But the point of it,
that you're saying here,

2018
01:58:08,680 --> 01:58:16,360
is that there was another family
property, and your uncle--

2019
01:58:16,360 --> 01:58:19,810

your father's older brother--

2020
01:58:19,810 --> 01:58:21,430
gets this property.

2021
01:58:21,430 --> 01:58:25,960
So it means that
he is not in line

2022
01:58:25,960 --> 01:58:31,180
for the Schloss Gneixendorf.

2023
01:58:31,180 --> 01:58:32,060
Did I say it right?

2024
01:58:32,060 --> 01:58:32,560
Gneixendorf?

2025
01:58:32,560 --> 01:58:41,920
No, I think because he had
the use of Schloss Langenfeld,

2026
01:58:41,920 --> 01:58:49,810
he stepped aside for Otto to
sort all the problem, which

2027
01:58:49,810 --> 01:58:52,960
was one of the few good
things he did in his life,

2028
01:58:52,960 --> 01:58:55,510
because Otto was
the person to do it.

2029
01:58:55,510 --> 01:58:58,660
Georg certainly wasn't
that kind of person.

2030
01:58:58,660 --> 01:59:00,910
He wanted to be a diplomat.

2031
01:59:00,910 --> 01:59:03,970

He wanted to charge
about Vienna.

2032
01:59:03,970 --> 01:59:05,530
He became a Nazi.

2033
01:59:05,530 --> 01:59:10,090
He was imprisoned when
Dollfuss was killed.

2034
01:59:10,090 --> 01:59:19,340
He became imprisoned again, of
course, at the end of the war.

2035
01:59:19,340 --> 01:59:22,410
And the new Austria
immediately imprisoned him.

2036
01:59:22,410 --> 01:59:25,910
And of course the Schloss
Langenfeld was confiscated.

2037
01:59:25,910 --> 01:59:29,940
There was no Schweitzers
about to protest about it.

2038
01:59:29,940 --> 01:59:32,440
And that was that.

2039
01:59:32,440 --> 01:59:34,020
So this is something
that we're going

2040
01:59:34,020 --> 01:59:37,480
to want to talk about
later, in a bit more detail.

2041
01:59:37,480 --> 01:59:42,210
But for our purposes
right now, you've

2042
01:59:42,210 --> 01:59:47,640
described a little bit

about your uncle Georg.

2043

01:59:47,640 --> 01:59:51,120

One of the things that
is of interest to me

2044

01:59:51,120 --> 01:59:58,320

is when 1933 comes around,
and Hitler comes to power,

2045

01:59:58,320 --> 02:00:00,180

you are seven years old.

2046

02:00:00,180 --> 02:00:01,170

Is that correct?

2047

02:00:01,170 --> 02:00:04,490

Six, seven years old?

2048

02:00:04,490 --> 02:00:06,060

Do you remember that?

2049

02:00:06,060 --> 02:00:09,620

Do you remember any
talk about that at home

2050

02:00:09,620 --> 02:00:12,980

or in the neighborhood
amongst people,

2051

02:00:12,980 --> 02:00:17,210

amongst your father and your
stepmother, your grandmother,

2052

02:00:17,210 --> 02:00:18,710

and so on?

2053

02:00:18,710 --> 02:00:24,330

Any kind of knowledge of
what is happening there?

2054

02:00:24,330 --> 02:00:28,050

Well, indirectly yes.

2055
02:00:28,050 --> 02:00:39,960
I mean, obviously, the
Austrian president didn't

2056
02:00:39,960 --> 02:00:44,510
want to join at that stage--

2057
02:00:44,510 --> 02:00:47,108

2058
02:00:47,108 --> 02:00:47,650
think it was.

2059
02:00:47,650 --> 02:00:50,500

2060
02:00:50,500 --> 02:00:53,080
I'm asking now about 1933.

2061
02:00:53,080 --> 02:00:55,130
This is in Germany,
not in Austria.

2062
02:00:55,130 --> 02:00:59,260
1933, obviously, Hitler
took over Germany.

2063
02:00:59,260 --> 02:01:02,320
But by that time,
Hitler wasn't--

2064
02:01:02,320 --> 02:01:07,150
I mean I think the rest of the
world thought, well, here's

2065
02:01:07,150 --> 02:01:08,140
another one.

2066
02:01:08,140 --> 02:01:12,160
You know, they had a

whole series of changes.

2067

02:01:12,160 --> 02:01:16,900

And then this Hitler boy, I
mean, from nowhere, I mean,

2068

02:01:16,900 --> 02:01:18,640

he hasn't got a chance.

2069

02:01:18,640 --> 02:01:21,010

That was that kind
of atmosphere.

2070

02:01:21,010 --> 02:01:26,290

Is this what you remember from
the conversations at home?

2071

02:01:26,290 --> 02:01:28,030

Or were there
conversations at home?

2072

02:01:28,030 --> 02:01:31,270

Well, politics with not
a subject the family

2073

02:01:31,270 --> 02:01:33,230

talked about in public--

2074

02:01:33,230 --> 02:01:37,010

certainly not with children.

2075

02:01:37,010 --> 02:01:38,840

Did you know that
there was such a thing

2076

02:01:38,840 --> 02:01:42,012

as a Herr Hitler in Germany?

2077

02:01:42,012 --> 02:01:43,520

Well, later on, yes.

2078

02:01:43,520 --> 02:01:44,990

But at that time, no.

2079

02:01:44,990 --> 02:01:49,940

2080

02:01:49,940 --> 02:01:52,410

I mean, the whole family
wasn't politically minded.

2081

02:01:52,410 --> 02:01:55,370

So you know, it was a --

2082

02:01:55,370 --> 02:02:00,020

I mean, Georg was
the political guy.

2083

02:02:00,020 --> 02:02:02,170

But I mean, he was
mostly in Vienna.

2084

02:02:02,170 --> 02:02:09,670

And he would talk down,
certainly not to children,

2085

02:02:09,670 --> 02:02:10,980

for heaven's sake.

2086

02:02:10,980 --> 02:02:12,400

OK.

2087

02:02:12,400 --> 02:02:15,190

Did you ever hear him
speak to your father,

2088

02:02:15,190 --> 02:02:17,960

and you witnessed
his those types of--

2089

02:02:17,960 --> 02:02:22,380

They avoided speaking to each
other as much as they could.

2090

02:02:22,380 --> 02:02:23,840
They didn't like
each other, then.

2091
02:02:23,840 --> 02:02:25,630
No.

2092
02:02:25,630 --> 02:02:26,590
OK.

2093
02:02:26,590 --> 02:02:27,970
OK.

2094
02:02:27,970 --> 02:02:29,070
And was this personal?

2095
02:02:29,070 --> 02:02:32,610
In other words, was it
because they just never

2096
02:02:32,610 --> 02:02:33,690
had gotten along?

2097
02:02:33,690 --> 02:02:35,940
They were brothers?

2098
02:02:35,940 --> 02:02:39,510
They were just totally
different people.

2099
02:02:39,510 --> 02:02:47,490
And Georg had that habit
of putting people down.

2100
02:02:47,490 --> 02:02:49,350
He was the great guy.

2101
02:02:49,350 --> 02:02:55,410
And you really, with
Otto having a trouble

2102
02:02:55,410 --> 02:03:01,010

to get his Matura
at the high school,

2103
02:03:01,010 --> 02:03:05,190
and being interested in
farming, for heaven's sake.

2104
02:03:05,190 --> 02:03:08,430
And then, being a prisoner
of war [INAUDIBLE]..

2105
02:03:08,430 --> 02:03:11,040
And then losing his eldest son.

2106
02:03:11,040 --> 02:03:15,030
I mean for heaven's sake, I mean
Otto was just no good at all as

2107
02:03:15,030 --> 02:03:17,160
far as he was concerned.

2108
02:03:17,160 --> 02:03:21,690
Who was the oldest
son that Otto loses?

2109
02:03:21,690 --> 02:03:23,330
Gottfried.

2110
02:03:23,330 --> 02:03:28,250
Gottfried was the
first, my older brother.

2111
02:03:28,250 --> 02:03:30,290
Again, he was
never talked about.

2112
02:03:30,290 --> 02:03:33,210

2113
02:03:33,210 --> 02:03:37,560
The family was having
a big garden party,

2114
02:03:37,560 --> 02:03:40,820
and suddenly
Gottfried was missing.

2115
02:03:40,820 --> 02:03:46,070
They found him drowned in
a rain water collecting.

2116
02:03:46,070 --> 02:03:49,290

2117
02:03:49,290 --> 02:03:50,210
Thing.

2118
02:03:50,210 --> 02:03:54,500
Sadly-- I've learned that
later from different sources--

2119
02:03:54,500 --> 02:03:59,210
little boys are apt, when
their face goes underwater,

2120
02:03:59,210 --> 02:04:04,450
to stay under water and
remain still, not to struggle.

2121
02:04:04,450 --> 02:04:08,620
And that's happened just
virtually around the corner,

2122
02:04:08,620 --> 02:04:12,880
with the whole family having
tea and chatting away.

2123
02:04:12,880 --> 02:04:16,360
So there were lots of things
that uncle Georg looked down

2124
02:04:16,360 --> 02:04:18,670
upon your father on.

2125
02:04:18,670 --> 02:04:22,790

It was from nature, you
know, right from early youth.

2126
02:04:22,790 --> 02:04:35,026
I mean, there was a
huge letter from you

2127
02:04:35,026 --> 02:04:40,525
know from Tilla which is
written by Lilly's father.

2128
02:04:40,525 --> 02:04:44,890

2129
02:04:44,890 --> 02:04:55,000
Lilly, one thing she did,
when her mother either already

2130
02:04:55,000 --> 02:04:57,010
had died or something
like that, she

2131
02:04:57,010 --> 02:05:00,910
got in touch with her
father again, and said,

2132
02:05:00,910 --> 02:05:03,980
we will come and
visit you this summer.

2133
02:05:03,980 --> 02:05:06,640

2134
02:05:06,640 --> 02:05:11,460
So they went to
[PLACE NAME] Sweden, Lilly

2135
02:05:11,460 --> 02:05:16,090
with her three children, and
stayed the whole summer there.

2136
02:05:16,090 --> 02:05:24,322
And then, at the

end of the year,

2137

02:05:24,322 --> 02:05:28,790
grandfather brought her
this amazing letter--

2138

02:05:28,790 --> 02:05:33,950
[INAUDIBLE]---- an amazing
letter, saying what a wonderful

2139

02:05:33,950 --> 02:05:37,640
experience it was
to meet her again.

2140

02:05:37,640 --> 02:05:39,580
Obviously, she was
his favorite daughter.

2141

02:05:39,580 --> 02:05:43,740

2142

02:05:43,740 --> 02:05:49,550
And all the weeks together.

2143

02:05:49,550 --> 02:05:53,090
But then he sort of says,
well, you're lovely children,

2144

02:05:53,090 --> 02:06:02,610
but he says, well, Georg, he's
a very nosy and know-all kind

2145

02:06:02,610 --> 02:06:03,360
of guy.

2146

02:06:03,360 --> 02:06:06,240

2147

02:06:06,240 --> 02:06:09,720
He wants to be a
diplomat, but really, he's

2148

02:06:09,720 --> 02:06:14,010
got to learn to be
friends with people.

2149
02:06:14,010 --> 02:06:17,170
He found him very,
very different.

2150
02:06:17,170 --> 02:06:22,872
Tilla, well, she's such a
nice girl, but she's so lazy.

2151
02:06:22,872 --> 02:06:32,580
[LAUGHS] She hasn't got
any will to do anything.

2152
02:06:32,580 --> 02:06:37,160
But Otto, when he
comes in the room,

2153
02:06:37,160 --> 02:06:39,430
everything is [INAUDIBLE],,
and it's wonderful.

2154
02:06:39,430 --> 02:06:41,844
He is the most
amazing, lovely child.

2155
02:06:41,844 --> 02:06:45,640

2156
02:06:45,640 --> 02:06:47,410
How interesting.

2157
02:06:47,410 --> 02:06:48,410
How interesting.

2158
02:06:48,410 --> 02:06:52,660
So this is from his
Swedish grandfather,

2159
02:06:52,660 --> 02:06:54,610
who had not met him before.

2160
02:06:54,610 --> 02:06:59,341
And about how old do you
think Georg was at that time?

2161
02:06:59,341 --> 02:07:04,720
Around 7-- 16.

2162
02:07:04,720 --> 02:07:08,050
Oh, my goodness that can
be such a difficult age.

2163
02:07:08,050 --> 02:07:11,220
When someone is 16 years old
and they know everything.

2164
02:07:11,220 --> 02:07:14,870

2165
02:07:14,870 --> 02:07:16,090
But it's telling.

2166
02:07:16,090 --> 02:07:18,310
It's telling that
this is something

2167
02:07:18,310 --> 02:07:21,970
that you, that various
members of your family

2168
02:07:21,970 --> 02:07:25,450
see, the older
generations, and then

2169
02:07:25,450 --> 02:07:30,190
your own perception, and then
your father's and your uncle's,

2170
02:07:30,190 --> 02:07:31,690
you know, that they
don't get along;

2171

02:07:31,690 --> 02:07:34,080
they're too different
of personalities.

2172
02:07:34,080 --> 02:07:37,180
And that your uncle has
some sort of arrogance

2173
02:07:37,180 --> 02:07:41,870
to him, some abrasiveness, some
arrogance do his personality.

2174
02:07:41,870 --> 02:07:44,060
I mean, to me he
wasn't abrasive.

2175
02:07:44,060 --> 02:07:46,960
But indifferent.

2176
02:07:46,960 --> 02:07:49,530

2177
02:07:49,530 --> 02:07:54,000
I mean, we went
with my stepbrother,

2178
02:07:54,000 --> 02:08:03,730
we spent a summer holiday
at Langenfeld, 1941.

2179
02:08:03,730 --> 02:08:04,510
No.

2180
02:08:04,510 --> 02:08:05,440
1940.

2181
02:08:05,440 --> 02:08:06,640
1940.

2182
02:08:06,640 --> 02:08:08,170
Who is your stepbrother?

2183

02:08:08,170 --> 02:08:10,160

I didn't think you
had a stepbrother.

2184

02:08:10,160 --> 02:08:12,800

Yeah, Peter.

2185

02:08:12,800 --> 02:08:15,970

My stepmother had
also three children.

2186

02:08:15,970 --> 02:08:18,221

So we were a total
of six children.

2187

02:08:18,221 --> 02:08:19,320

OK.

2188

02:08:19,320 --> 02:08:20,800

OK.

2189

02:08:20,800 --> 02:08:22,990

So Peter and you
spent a summer there

2190

02:08:22,990 --> 02:08:25,190

with Uncle Georg at Langenfeld.

2191

02:08:25,190 --> 02:08:28,870

I mean, it was aunt Emmie,
really, we spent the time with.

2192

02:08:28,870 --> 02:08:35,080

Uncle Greg, well, he took
me, when he went hunting,

2193

02:08:35,080 --> 02:08:36,430

he took me with him.

2194

02:08:36,430 --> 02:08:38,940

But there was very little talk.

2195

02:08:38,940 --> 02:08:43,780
You had to be quiet anyway,
not to disturb the--

2196
02:08:43,780 --> 02:08:50,620
And he took me on a
weekend I think to Vienna.

2197
02:08:50,620 --> 02:08:53,660
He had a flat in Vienna.

2198
02:08:53,660 --> 02:08:55,360
He never had a uniform.

2199
02:08:55,360 --> 02:08:58,150
He was supposed to be a
Nazi, but he certainly

2200
02:08:58,150 --> 02:08:59,050
didn't talk about it.

2201
02:08:59,050 --> 02:09:02,140

2202
02:09:02,140 --> 02:09:05,390
But, you know I was
in the Hitler Youth

2203
02:09:05,390 --> 02:09:09,040
then, in the Jungvolk,
a junior kind of leader.

2204
02:09:09,040 --> 02:09:11,320
But would he talk
to me about it?

2205
02:09:11,320 --> 02:09:13,380
Not for any thing.

2206
02:09:13,380 --> 02:09:15,550
If the whole family--

2207

02:09:15,550 --> 02:09:18,730
I mean, obviously, Otto
and he wouldn't talk much.

2208
02:09:18,730 --> 02:09:22,610
But the rest of the
family, and aunt Emmie,

2209
02:09:22,610 --> 02:09:25,570
who was a nice,
talkative person,

2210
02:09:25,570 --> 02:09:28,700
knew nothing too
much about Georg.

2211
02:09:28,700 --> 02:09:32,350
But I mean as soon as
the Nazis were gone,

2212
02:09:32,350 --> 02:09:35,440
he was put into prison.

2213
02:09:35,440 --> 02:09:37,840
You had mentioned
that he was arrested

2214
02:09:37,840 --> 02:09:42,310
when Dollfuss was assassinated.

2215
02:09:42,310 --> 02:09:43,390
Is that right?

2216
02:09:43,390 --> 02:09:44,580
Yeah.

2217
02:09:44,580 --> 02:09:47,110
He must've been in
some way associated

2218
02:09:47,110 --> 02:09:49,900
with the group
who had, including

2219
02:09:49,900 --> 02:09:52,060
that guy who actually shot him.

2220
02:09:52,060 --> 02:09:56,430
I don't remember or know exactly
what kind of guy it was we're

2221
02:09:56,430 --> 02:09:57,420
talking.

2222
02:09:57,420 --> 02:10:01,370
But it was obviously a
underground, undercover Nazi

2223
02:10:01,370 --> 02:10:02,410
group.

2224
02:10:02,410 --> 02:10:05,650
So this would have
been in the mid '30s.

2225
02:10:05,650 --> 02:10:06,820
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

2226
02:10:06,820 --> 02:10:08,392
I think it's 1936.

2227
02:10:08,392 --> 02:10:09,100
I'll check it up.

2228
02:10:09,100 --> 02:10:12,190

2229
02:10:12,190 --> 02:10:13,990
One of the curious
things, though--

2230
02:10:13,990 --> 02:10:16,810
so when your parents leave--

2231

02:10:16,810 --> 02:10:19,180
that is, your stepmother
and your father

2232
02:10:19,180 --> 02:10:20,890
and the six of you--

2233
02:10:20,890 --> 02:10:25,090
leave Austria, and you're
on your way to Germany,

2234
02:10:25,090 --> 02:10:27,250
do you sell the castle?

2235
02:10:27,250 --> 02:10:29,330
Do you just leave the castle?

2236
02:10:29,330 --> 02:10:32,460
Well, the castle is
yet another big story.

2237
02:10:32,460 --> 02:10:35,710

2238
02:10:35,710 --> 02:10:42,700
The castle was actually sold,
yes, to a Viennese paint

2239
02:10:42,700 --> 02:10:46,342
manufacturer.

2240
02:10:46,342 --> 02:10:52,500
And that when the
Nazis took over,

2241
02:10:52,500 --> 02:10:56,110
the paint manufacturer may
have been a Nazi himself.

2242
02:10:56,110 --> 02:11:00,220
I'm not connected
or sure about it.

2243

02:11:00,220 --> 02:11:05,260

But when the Nazis
took over Austria,

2244

02:11:05,260 --> 02:11:08,345

the German Army took
over Schloss Gneixendorf,

2245

02:11:08,345 --> 02:11:11,980

and made a deal with this paint
manufacturer, who really wanted

2246

02:11:11,980 --> 02:11:14,830

the Schloss, because he
had a lot of spare money,

2247

02:11:14,830 --> 02:11:18,510

rather than actually live there.

2248

02:11:18,510 --> 02:11:23,770

And so it was taken
over by the German Army.

2249

02:11:23,770 --> 02:11:34,770

And they put a big water pump
kind of thing from the Danube

2250

02:11:34,770 --> 02:11:35,700

there.

2251

02:11:35,700 --> 02:11:38,700

They put an airport
or a airfield

2252

02:11:38,700 --> 02:11:41,460

there, because it's
fairly flat ground.

2253

02:11:41,460 --> 02:11:47,460

And in the war, it was one of
the biggest German prisoner

2254

02:11:47,460 --> 02:11:48,310
of war camps--

2255

02:11:48,310 --> 02:11:53,660
that is Russian prisoners and
French prisoners, [INAUDIBLE],,

2256

02:11:53,660 --> 02:11:55,170
and English.

2257

02:11:55,170 --> 02:11:57,860
Americans in the end.

2258

02:11:57,860 --> 02:12:00,210
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

2259

02:12:00,210 --> 02:12:07,080
The Americans in the end made
a big movie about this camp.

2260

02:12:07,080 --> 02:12:09,310
Was it also called Gneixendorf?

2261

02:12:09,310 --> 02:12:10,200
No.

2262

02:12:10,200 --> 02:12:13,700
It was called--
what was it called?

2263

02:12:13,700 --> 02:12:14,830
I'll have to look it up.

2264

02:12:14,830 --> 02:12:15,330
I'm sorry!

2265

02:12:15,330 --> 02:12:22,550
[LAUGHS] But it was one of those
big postwar monumental American

2266

02:12:22,550 --> 02:12:29,630
movie, with, of course, American

prisoners, or a couple of them,

2267

02:12:29,630 --> 02:12:32,560

escaping and being [INAUDIBLE].

2268

02:12:32,560 --> 02:12:34,245

Wow.

2269

02:12:34,245 --> 02:12:34,745

Wow.

2270

02:12:34,745 --> 02:12:37,280

2271

02:12:37,280 --> 02:12:41,000

So another question

that I have--

2272

02:12:41,000 --> 02:12:43,340

so in other words,

the castle is sold.

2273

02:12:43,340 --> 02:12:46,850

It leaves your family after

having been in your family

2274

02:12:46,850 --> 02:12:50,150

almost a century,

not quite a century.

2275

02:12:50,150 --> 02:12:50,930

83 years.

2276

02:12:50,930 --> 02:12:51,700

Yeah.

2277

02:12:51,700 --> 02:12:53,250

Yeah.

2278

02:12:53,250 --> 02:12:56,240

And is it sold when

you moved to Germany,

2279
02:12:56,240 --> 02:12:58,520
or is it sold for or--?

2280
02:12:58,520 --> 02:12:59,363
OK.

2281
02:12:59,363 --> 02:13:00,290
OK.

2282
02:13:00,290 --> 02:13:00,920
When we moved.

2283
02:13:00,920 --> 02:13:03,980
SO that was all sort
of simultaneous.

2284
02:13:03,980 --> 02:13:08,500
But then we moved in '36.

2285
02:13:08,500 --> 02:13:15,950
And in 1938, Germany
occupied Austria.

2286
02:13:15,950 --> 02:13:19,260
You know, it was welcomed
in a big way, of course.

2287
02:13:19,260 --> 02:13:26,310
And then built, made it in a
big army station and prisoner

2288
02:13:26,310 --> 02:13:28,180
of war camp during the war.

2289
02:13:28,180 --> 02:13:30,330
And then, of course,
at the end of the war,

2290
02:13:30,330 --> 02:13:36,600
it was part of the Russian
zone of occupation of Austria.

2291

02:13:36,600 --> 02:13:43,840

And of course, the Russian
Army occupied the place.

2292

02:13:43,840 --> 02:13:48,340

When the [PERSONAL NAME]
family, what was left of it,

2293

02:13:48,340 --> 02:13:53,960

got the thing back, it
was hardly inhabitable.

2294

02:13:53,960 --> 02:14:01,510

There was one of these
obviously not the [INAUDIBLE]

2295

02:14:01,510 --> 02:14:06,350

that they bought the place.

2296

02:14:06,350 --> 02:14:12,460

But one of the children, one of
the sons, who was a bit queer,

2297

02:14:12,460 --> 02:14:14,390

he had moved in there.

2298

02:14:14,390 --> 02:14:17,560

He was a lonely kind of fella.

2299

02:14:17,560 --> 02:14:22,465

The way he made things pay for
him, he was looking after--

2300

02:14:22,465 --> 02:14:28,900

2301

02:14:28,900 --> 02:14:31,560

how you call it?--

2302

02:14:31,560 --> 02:14:37,590

mentally sick people

who were strong enough

2303

02:14:37,590 --> 02:14:42,450
to sort of, under control,
live their own lives,

2304

02:14:42,450 --> 02:14:46,320
rather than stay
in a sanatorium.

2305

02:14:46,320 --> 02:14:50,504
And were sort of disabled,
as they called it.

2306

02:14:50,504 --> 02:14:53,490
And they were
moving around there.

2307

02:14:53,490 --> 02:15:01,140
And that sort of gave him
enough cash to stay there.

2308

02:15:01,140 --> 02:15:05,580
But everything was obviously
falling sadly to pieces.

2309

02:15:05,580 --> 02:15:10,120
And then we as youngsters
went visiting there.

2310

02:15:10,120 --> 02:15:15,130
He's kind of nice guy,
if you could find him.

2311

02:15:15,130 --> 02:15:20,610
But to see that place gradually
sort of going to seed.

2312

02:15:20,610 --> 02:15:30,450
And then eventually it was
officially ordered to be--

2313

02:15:30,450 --> 02:15:31,772

I mean [INAUDIBLE].

2314
02:15:31,772 --> 02:15:35,210

2315
02:15:35,210 --> 02:15:36,800
What was his last name?

2316
02:15:36,800 --> 02:15:39,440
You had mentioned it.

2317
02:15:39,440 --> 02:15:44,810
The people who bought the
castle from your family?

2318
02:15:44,810 --> 02:15:47,930
What was their last name?

2319
02:15:47,930 --> 02:15:49,910
This paint company?

2320
02:15:49,910 --> 02:15:50,570
Yeah, I know.

2321
02:15:50,570 --> 02:15:53,250

2322
02:15:53,250 --> 02:15:55,470
It's so stupid.

2323
02:15:55,470 --> 02:15:56,420
It's OK.

2324
02:15:56,420 --> 02:16:01,190
Listen, I don't want to make
you feel bad about that.

2325
02:16:01,190 --> 02:16:04,560
These are just details
that come to my mind.

2326

02:16:04,560 --> 02:16:06,830
And if you don't
remember, it's OK.

2327
02:16:06,830 --> 02:16:09,420
I can easily look it up again.

2328
02:16:09,420 --> 02:16:12,570
And I have to look
it up to find out.

2329
02:16:12,570 --> 02:16:15,890
But it all takes
time, that looking up.

2330
02:16:15,890 --> 02:16:17,060
And you know something.

2331
02:16:17,060 --> 02:16:19,310
What it will be is that
we're going to have

2332
02:16:19,310 --> 02:16:21,500
many parts of this interview.

2333
02:16:21,500 --> 02:16:26,180
And so some of these maybe
we can, after we finish here,

2334
02:16:26,180 --> 02:16:29,060
before we have the next
one, you can jot down,

2335
02:16:29,060 --> 02:16:32,400
and we just mention them
when we start up again.

2336
02:16:32,400 --> 02:16:32,931
Yes.

2337
02:16:32,931 --> 02:16:35,719
OK.

2338

02:16:35,719 --> 02:16:39,530

So here's another question,
before we go to Germany.

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02:16:39,530 --> 02:16:44,610

And it's my final
Austrian-related question, is--

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02:16:44,610 --> 02:16:48,350

was there any
trepidation on the part

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02:16:48,350 --> 02:16:53,690

of your father and your
stepmother, Ula, and any of you

2342

02:16:53,690 --> 02:16:57,500

to move to Germany,
actually because

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02:16:57,500 --> 02:17:01,070

of the political situation?

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02:17:01,070 --> 02:17:06,830

Not at that stage, because
I think Hitler at that stage

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02:17:06,830 --> 02:17:09,889

was successful.

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02:17:09,889 --> 02:17:15,920

He sort of moved it
back to the Saarland.

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02:17:15,920 --> 02:17:18,940

He played a big, big role.

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02:17:18,940 --> 02:17:24,139

He fully caused the
employment to increase again.

2349

02:17:24,139 --> 02:17:26,420

He built up the economy.

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02:17:26,420 --> 02:17:33,110

Everything was sort of running
in a amazingly, positive way.

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02:17:33,110 --> 02:17:36,139

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02:17:36,139 --> 02:17:39,799

Certainly our parents weren't--

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02:17:39,799 --> 02:17:47,280

compared with good old Austria,
that was really the rock bottom

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02:17:47,280 --> 02:17:50,670

at that stage, with Dollfuss
having being killed,

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02:17:50,670 --> 02:17:56,870

and neither was Schuschnigg, who
was a make-do kind of leader.

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02:17:56,870 --> 02:18:00,770

And of course the whole
country completely divided

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02:18:00,770 --> 02:18:08,719

between the socialists
and the church,

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02:18:08,719 --> 02:18:15,760

traditional conservative people.

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02:18:15,760 --> 02:18:18,549

A kind of hopeless dilemma.

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02:18:18,549 --> 02:18:22,230

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02:18:22,230 --> 02:18:24,030

So in other words--

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02:18:24,030 --> 02:18:25,780

If you haven't got
any better choice,

2363

02:18:25,780 --> 02:18:29,850

Germany was definitely
the place to move to.

2364

02:18:29,850 --> 02:18:32,879

So that means that
it was in some ways

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02:18:32,879 --> 02:18:36,900

the land of economic
opportunity in the mid '30s.

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02:18:36,900 --> 02:18:40,260

In the mid 1930s,
it is, compared

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02:18:40,260 --> 02:18:43,350

to where you're coming
from, impoverished nobility,

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02:18:43,350 --> 02:18:45,930

unable to run a
farm economically,

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02:18:45,930 --> 02:18:47,959

castle going down.

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02:18:47,959 --> 02:18:48,920

Yeah.

2371

02:18:48,920 --> 02:18:51,430

OK.

2372

02:18:51,430 --> 02:18:58,360

So what kind of opportunity
then presented itself

2373

02:18:58,360 --> 02:19:02,020
in Germany for your father
that he would go there?

2374

02:19:02,020 --> 02:19:03,780
What was the specific--?

2375

02:19:03,780 --> 02:19:10,930
Well, to find a farm that they
could [INAUDIBLE] in Germany,

2376

02:19:10,930 --> 02:19:16,236
that could be a family farm
in place of Gneixendorf.

2377

02:19:16,236 --> 02:19:18,860

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02:19:18,860 --> 02:19:24,900
And with Ula Mutti
and all her friends,

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02:19:24,900 --> 02:19:29,830
and aunt Ellen Wrangel, who
was very much involved--

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02:19:29,830 --> 02:19:35,990
she introduced my dad
to Ula Mutti anyway--

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02:19:35,990 --> 02:19:41,260
that all these wise
people would help

2382

02:19:41,260 --> 02:19:45,549
to find a kind of
ideal farm in Germany

2383

02:19:45,549 --> 02:19:49,940
where the family, the Schweitzer
family, could settle down.

2384

02:19:49,940 --> 02:19:51,950
Did they find that farm?

2385
02:19:51,950 --> 02:19:53,716
They found a farm.

2386
02:19:53,716 --> 02:19:56,400
But it was another disaster.

2387
02:19:56,400 --> 02:19:59,760

2388
02:19:59,760 --> 02:20:03,940
Everybody blamed
everybody else of course.

2389
02:20:03,940 --> 02:20:16,440
And so that's why it was sold
in 1940, beginning of the war.

2390
02:20:16,440 --> 02:20:23,370
So in other words, you moved to
this farm in 1935 in Germany.

2391
02:20:23,370 --> 02:20:26,350
And you lived there
for five years.

2392
02:20:26,350 --> 02:20:28,290
And then it sold.

2393
02:20:28,290 --> 02:20:29,250
Yeah.

2394
02:20:29,250 --> 02:20:37,420
So I would say that perhaps
we stop our interview here

2395
02:20:37,420 --> 02:20:38,590
for today.

2396
02:20:38,590 --> 02:20:41,830

We've been speaking
for 2 and 1/2 hours.

2397
02:20:41,830 --> 02:20:46,450
And it's one phase
of your life where

2398
02:20:46,450 --> 02:20:53,500
we covered wonderful aspects
of your family history,

2399
02:20:53,500 --> 02:20:59,530
of what you know of your
ancestors, and who they were,

2400
02:20:59,530 --> 02:21:05,260
and how things developed, who
some of the great-grandparents

2401
02:21:05,260 --> 02:21:06,154
were.

2402
02:21:06,154 --> 02:21:12,010
And I found that
really so unique and so

2403
02:21:12,010 --> 02:21:16,160
wonderful to listen
to, and to learn about.

2404
02:21:16,160 --> 02:21:21,890
And then your own early
childhood in Gneixendorf.

2405
02:21:21,890 --> 02:21:25,870
And now we'll come
to a different phase

2406
02:21:25,870 --> 02:21:27,150
when we start again.

2407
02:21:27,150 --> 02:21:28,360
Absolutely.

2408
02:21:28,360 --> 02:21:30,850
It will be 1935.

2409
02:21:30,850 --> 02:21:33,940
And we'll talk
then, the next time,

2410
02:21:33,940 --> 02:21:36,640
about things that
developed from there.

2411
02:21:36,640 --> 02:21:38,710
Yeah.

2412
02:21:38,710 --> 02:21:43,210
So I will say for right
now I'm going to pause

2413
02:21:43,210 --> 02:21:45,230
and turn the recording off.

2414
02:21:45,230 --> 02:21:45,730
Yeah.

2415
02:21:45,730 --> 02:21:47,410
And we'll come back to this.

2416
02:21:47,410 --> 02:21:48,170
Yeah.

2417
02:21:48,170 --> 02:21:51,180
And I've turned
the recording off.

2418
02:21:51,180 --> 02:21:52,000