

1
00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:01,150

2
00:00:01,150 --> 00:00:02,090
OK.

3
00:00:02,090 --> 00:00:07,565
So now, we are talking later
on in the day with Mr. Frank

4
00:00:07,565 --> 00:00:08,350
Cohen.

5
00:00:08,350 --> 00:00:12,730
It is June 24, 2020.

6
00:00:12,730 --> 00:00:17,620
And before lunch, we were at
the point of our interview

7
00:00:17,620 --> 00:00:27,010
where you were talking about the
events that marked those five--

8
00:00:27,010 --> 00:00:29,950
or four years between
the time of your arrival

9
00:00:29,950 --> 00:00:34,270
in late '38 to the United
States and your induction

10
00:00:34,270 --> 00:00:37,780
into the military forces.

11
00:00:37,780 --> 00:00:43,390
And one of them was, of
course, Pearl Harbor.

12
00:00:43,390 --> 00:00:47,740
And then we went and talked

about how much did your family

13

00:00:47,740 --> 00:00:50,470

and circle of friends,
their circle of friends,

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00:00:50,470 --> 00:00:53,690

anticipate this war?

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00:00:53,690 --> 00:00:56,890

And you were quite clear that
they all knew it was happening,

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00:00:56,890 --> 00:01:00,650

it was just a question of when.

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00:01:00,650 --> 00:01:04,370

So let's go further from that.

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00:01:04,370 --> 00:01:07,440

Did you finish high school?

19

00:01:07,440 --> 00:01:09,490

Oh, yes, of course.

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00:01:09,490 --> 00:01:13,860

What happened was, in
junior high school,

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00:01:13,860 --> 00:01:15,900

I did pretty well at the end.

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00:01:15,900 --> 00:01:19,770

And they recommended that I go
into Stuyvesant High School.

23

00:01:19,770 --> 00:01:22,920

Stuyvesant High
School needed a--

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00:01:22,920 --> 00:01:27,240

you needed to pass a test

before you were accepted,

25

00:01:27,240 --> 00:01:29,410
as well as your grades.

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00:01:29,410 --> 00:01:30,600
And--

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00:01:30,600 --> 00:01:33,750
So-- excuse me,
Stuyvesant High School

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00:01:33,750 --> 00:01:36,750
is part of the New York
public school system?

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00:01:36,750 --> 00:01:37,650
Yes, it is.

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00:01:37,650 --> 00:01:39,840
New York City public
school system, OK.

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00:01:39,840 --> 00:01:42,730
And is it a special school?

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00:01:42,730 --> 00:01:51,960
No, it's just a advanced school
for pre-college training.

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00:01:51,960 --> 00:01:55,900
In other words, it's academic,
rather than anything else.

34

00:01:55,900 --> 00:01:57,310
OK.

35

00:01:57,310 --> 00:02:01,960
And I was told to put down
language handicapped, which

36

00:02:01,960 --> 00:02:02,980

I put down.

37
00:02:02,980 --> 00:02:05,530
But I really didn't need that.

38
00:02:05,530 --> 00:02:11,170
And I was accepted, and
I went to Stuyvesant.

39
00:02:11,170 --> 00:02:14,320
And Stuyvesant, with the
junior high school business,

40
00:02:14,320 --> 00:02:16,780
is a three-year school.

41
00:02:16,780 --> 00:02:20,980
The first year, you have
a afternoon session.

42
00:02:20,980 --> 00:02:26,140
You just go there from 12:40
till 3-something or other.

43
00:02:26,140 --> 00:02:31,480
And the second two years
morning session, and that's

44
00:02:31,480 --> 00:02:34,264
from 8:00 in the
morning to 12:40.

45
00:02:34,264 --> 00:02:34,764
I see.

46
00:02:34,764 --> 00:02:38,020
So it was always only
a half a day of school.

47
00:02:38,020 --> 00:02:41,080
But then they gave you a lot of
homework to make up for that,

48

00:02:41,080 --> 00:02:41,710

I guess.

49

00:02:41,710 --> 00:02:44,530

Where is Stuyvesant
located in New York City?

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00:02:44,530 --> 00:02:46,430

Where was it located?

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00:02:46,430 --> 00:02:49,450

It's downtown in New York.

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00:02:49,450 --> 00:02:53,050

I had to go down under-- with
the subway on the West Side,

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00:02:53,050 --> 00:02:55,270

and shuttle over
at Times Square,

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00:02:55,270 --> 00:02:59,230

and go further down to 14th
Street on the East Side,

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00:02:59,230 --> 00:03:03,590

and walk about a mile
towards the East River.

56

00:03:03,590 --> 00:03:07,000

Well, that's kind of
a hike from Manhattan.

57

00:03:07,000 --> 00:03:10,490

It's like, one end of
Manhattan to the other end.

58

00:03:10,490 --> 00:03:13,720

Well, at least from
mid-Manhattan all the way down

59

00:03:13,720 --> 00:03:16,420

to the south part, you know?

60

00:03:16,420 --> 00:03:20,140

Were you still living in
the basement apartment?

61

00:03:20,140 --> 00:03:25,150

I always was able to go with
Paul, the friend from Austria.

62

00:03:25,150 --> 00:03:28,150

He went to Stuyvesant
as well, with me.

63

00:03:28,150 --> 00:03:34,600

And we always met at
the 72nd subway station.

64

00:03:34,600 --> 00:03:38,110

I was coming in
from further uptown.

65

00:03:38,110 --> 00:03:43,080

And he met me there, and
then we traveled together.

66

00:03:43,080 --> 00:03:43,690

OK.

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00:03:43,690 --> 00:03:46,660

Were there other kids
from Germany or Austria

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00:03:46,660 --> 00:03:49,570

in your high school,
other kids who

69

00:03:49,570 --> 00:03:53,230

had the same kind of
background as you two did?

70

00:03:53,230 --> 00:03:54,010

Yes.

71
00:03:54,010 --> 00:03:55,750
He came from Austria.

72
00:03:55,750 --> 00:04:02,290
And he was the only one with
me who came from Europe.

73
00:04:02,290 --> 00:04:07,030
But I met-- when I
was in high school,

74
00:04:07,030 --> 00:04:14,200
I went to the afternoon
recreational things

75
00:04:14,200 --> 00:04:17,860
that the junior high
school had that was right

76
00:04:17,860 --> 00:04:19,570
where I lived at that time.

77
00:04:19,570 --> 00:04:25,690
We had moved from 145th
Street back to 116th Street.

78
00:04:25,690 --> 00:04:33,350
And 116th-- excuse me, to
108th Street, not 116th--

79
00:04:33,350 --> 00:04:34,910
to 108th Street.

80
00:04:34,910 --> 00:04:38,600
And at 108th Street, there
is a junior high school also,

81
00:04:38,600 --> 00:04:44,130
as well as a Catholic
private school.

82

00:04:44,130 --> 00:04:48,410
So [? basically ?] the
street had a lot of schools.

83
00:04:48,410 --> 00:04:52,100
But I went to the public school
for afternoon, play ping-pong.

84
00:04:52,100 --> 00:04:55,300
You remember I was almost
champion on the boat?

85
00:04:55,300 --> 00:04:55,800
Yeah.

86
00:04:55,800 --> 00:04:57,530
So I was still
[AUDIO OUT] ping-pong,

87
00:04:57,530 --> 00:05:00,510
and that's where I met my
wife, believe it or not.

88
00:05:00,510 --> 00:05:01,010
No kidding?

89
00:05:01,010 --> 00:05:04,340
I was still in high school, and
she was in junior high school,

90
00:05:04,340 --> 00:05:06,440
in that junior high school.

91
00:05:06,440 --> 00:05:08,740
And we played
ping-pong together.

92
00:05:08,740 --> 00:05:13,040
And there were two girls,
and Paul came and played.

93
00:05:13,040 --> 00:05:16,905
And we called one girl Ping,

and the other one Pong.

94

00:05:16,905 --> 00:05:17,690

Oh god!

95

00:05:17,690 --> 00:05:20,390

[LAUGHTER]

96

00:05:20,390 --> 00:05:24,350

And I liked Pong
better than Ping.

97

00:05:24,350 --> 00:05:28,300

And what is Pong's real name?

98

00:05:28,300 --> 00:05:32,680

Well, Pong's real name is
Pauline [? Brimberg. ?]

99

00:05:32,680 --> 00:05:33,910

I see.

100

00:05:33,910 --> 00:05:38,050

And was she also
from Europe, or had

101

00:05:38,050 --> 00:05:42,750

her parents and grandparents
been born in the United States?

102

00:05:42,750 --> 00:05:46,570

Well, she was born in
Brooklyn, New York.

103

00:05:46,570 --> 00:05:47,190

I see.

104

00:05:47,190 --> 00:05:47,690

OK.

105

00:05:47,690 --> 00:05:51,180

Practically overseas,

but it was Brooklyn.

106
00:05:51,180 --> 00:05:53,880
Well, I know Manhattan looks
at all the other Boroughs

107
00:05:53,880 --> 00:05:55,740
as if they're foreign countries.

108
00:05:55,740 --> 00:05:58,914
There's-- you know.

109
00:05:58,914 --> 00:06:01,680
So I mean, 108th
Street, it also sounds

110
00:06:01,680 --> 00:06:04,170
like that's close to
Columbia University,

111
00:06:04,170 --> 00:06:06,910
if we're talking the West Side?

112
00:06:06,910 --> 00:06:07,410
Yes.

113
00:06:07,410 --> 00:06:10,140
Well, as a matter of
fact, after 108th Street,

114
00:06:10,140 --> 00:06:13,980
after I went to the
army and got married,

115
00:06:13,980 --> 00:06:18,840
my mother married again by
the name of Charlie Tuck, who

116
00:06:18,840 --> 00:06:22,170
came from Breslau, also.

117
00:06:22,170 --> 00:06:26,010

And they moved to
116th Street, which was

118
00:06:26,010 --> 00:06:27,900
right at Columbia University.

119
00:06:27,900 --> 00:06:29,310
Yeah.

120
00:06:29,310 --> 00:06:30,960
Broadway and 116th.

121
00:06:30,960 --> 00:06:31,710
That's right.

122
00:06:31,710 --> 00:06:35,520
So in this other
apartment on 108th Street,

123
00:06:35,520 --> 00:06:37,530
was that down in
the basement again,

124
00:06:37,530 --> 00:06:39,325
or was that somewhere else?

125
00:06:39,325 --> 00:06:42,060
No, but it was another
terrible apartment.

126
00:06:42,060 --> 00:06:45,780
It was what they might
call a railroad apartment.

127
00:06:45,780 --> 00:06:50,375
What happens is, you
come into the apartment

128
00:06:50,375 --> 00:06:51,960
in the living room.

129
00:06:51,960 --> 00:06:55,560

And then you go from the
living room, to the bedroom,

130
00:06:55,560 --> 00:06:59,370
to another bedroom, to the
kitchen, to the bathroom--

131
00:06:59,370 --> 00:07:00,990
all in a row.

132
00:07:00,990 --> 00:07:02,190
No corridor?

133
00:07:02,190 --> 00:07:03,030
No corridor?

134
00:07:03,030 --> 00:07:04,110
Just horrible.

135
00:07:04,110 --> 00:07:05,510
It's inexpensive.

136
00:07:05,510 --> 00:07:06,780
It was inexpensive.

137
00:07:06,780 --> 00:07:07,890
Yeah.

138
00:07:07,890 --> 00:07:11,220
And I think I hear
Pong there, don't I?

139
00:07:11,220 --> 00:07:13,590
Yeah, Pong is talking.

140
00:07:13,590 --> 00:07:14,730
OK.

141
00:07:14,730 --> 00:07:15,770
Hello, Mrs. Pauline.

142

00:07:15,770 --> 00:07:17,370

She remembers my
terrible apartment.

143

00:07:17,370 --> 00:07:17,870

Terrible.

144

00:07:17,870 --> 00:07:21,240

Well, she lived on 107th
Street, just around the block.

145

00:07:21,240 --> 00:07:23,610

But her apartment
was much nicer.

146

00:07:23,610 --> 00:07:26,460

Well, that is at least
convenient, you know?

147

00:07:26,460 --> 00:07:27,880

Yes, it was very convenient.

148

00:07:27,880 --> 00:07:28,920

Yeah.

149

00:07:28,920 --> 00:07:30,540

I remember her phone--

150

00:07:30,540 --> 00:07:35,640

Academy-24442.

151

00:07:35,640 --> 00:07:38,310

I have a question that's
looping in a little bit

152

00:07:38,310 --> 00:07:41,070

to the Germany part.

153

00:07:41,070 --> 00:07:44,170

Did you have a radio in Germany?

154

00:07:44,170 --> 00:07:45,820

Oh, yes, we had radio.

155

00:07:45,820 --> 00:07:52,870

As a matter of fact, we had
it connected at one time,

156

00:07:52,870 --> 00:07:55,060

without telling
the authorities--

157

00:07:55,060 --> 00:07:58,900

and my parents always
were very cautious

158

00:07:58,900 --> 00:08:02,140

about telling me, be
careful, never say

159

00:08:02,140 --> 00:08:04,210

that you are listening
to the radio,

160

00:08:04,210 --> 00:08:07,720

because it's not connected
to the authorities.

161

00:08:07,720 --> 00:08:12,980

But later on, they legitimized
it somehow, I guess.

162

00:08:12,980 --> 00:08:13,480

I see.

163

00:08:13,480 --> 00:08:15,830

But it was [? a ?] big deal.

164

00:08:15,830 --> 00:08:19,600

And then when Hitler came,
you were on the street,

165

00:08:19,600 --> 00:08:21,760

you could hear all
of Hitler's talk.

166
00:08:21,760 --> 00:08:24,040
Because everybody
had their radio on,

167
00:08:24,040 --> 00:08:26,830
and it was loud enough to
come through the windows.

168
00:08:26,830 --> 00:08:27,610
Oh, wow.

169
00:08:27,610 --> 00:08:31,060
So whoever you were, you were
listening to Hitler's speeches.

170
00:08:31,060 --> 00:08:33,520
Well, it's-- it is invasive.

171
00:08:33,520 --> 00:08:36,669
It sounds like
it's all-invasive.

172
00:08:36,669 --> 00:08:38,080
Yeah, it was.

173
00:08:38,080 --> 00:08:39,770
Yeah.

174
00:08:39,770 --> 00:08:43,480
And in the states, I take it
you had a radio in that railroad

175
00:08:43,480 --> 00:08:45,800
apartment, is that so?

176
00:08:45,800 --> 00:08:46,300
Oh, yes.

177
00:08:46,300 --> 00:08:47,390
We had radio.

178
00:08:47,390 --> 00:08:48,590
Absolutely.

179
00:08:48,590 --> 00:08:52,170
Were there German
language stations?

180
00:08:52,170 --> 00:08:54,210
No, we never listened
to-- there may have been,

181
00:08:54,210 --> 00:08:55,410
but I never listened to it.

182
00:08:55,410 --> 00:08:57,570
And my parents
didn't listen to--

183
00:08:57,570 --> 00:08:58,438
OK.

184
00:08:58,438 --> 00:09:00,390
--German radio stations.

185
00:09:00,390 --> 00:09:02,370
One of the reasons I'm
asking this is, I'm

186
00:09:02,370 --> 00:09:05,520
trying to get a sense of, where
did you get your news from?

187
00:09:05,520 --> 00:09:08,280
What were the main
sources of news?

188
00:09:08,280 --> 00:09:12,510
Was it this German language
paper you mentioned before?

189
00:09:12,510 --> 00:09:14,940
Yeah, that was the

main source when

190
00:09:14,940 --> 00:09:19,680
we first came over, and for
the first two or three years,

191
00:09:19,680 --> 00:09:20,530
definitely.

192
00:09:20,530 --> 00:09:21,030
OK.

193
00:09:21,030 --> 00:09:26,610
And after that, my
parents were also

194
00:09:26,610 --> 00:09:29,940
sufficiently trained
in English that they

195
00:09:29,940 --> 00:09:34,130
listened to the radio,
and listened to the news

196
00:09:34,130 --> 00:09:36,780
from the radio, which
they trusted more, really.

197
00:09:36,780 --> 00:09:37,530
OK.

198
00:09:37,530 --> 00:09:38,340
OK.

199
00:09:38,340 --> 00:09:43,380
Did you ever recall listening
to any of the broadcasts

200
00:09:43,380 --> 00:09:48,990
by American journalists who
were in Europe at the time,

201

00:09:48,990 --> 00:09:52,590
whether they were in
Berlin, like William Shirer,

202
00:09:52,590 --> 00:09:56,190
or I believe Edward Murrow,
who was based in London?

203
00:09:56,190 --> 00:10:00,270
And they gave these
famous, famous broadcasts,

204
00:10:00,270 --> 00:10:07,623
kind of as the war was going
on, as to what was going on.

205
00:10:07,623 --> 00:10:08,290
Does that ever--

206
00:10:08,290 --> 00:10:08,790
No.

207
00:10:08,790 --> 00:10:10,290
--cross your mind, or your path?

208
00:10:10,290 --> 00:10:16,020
During the war-- well, we
may have listened to them

209
00:10:16,020 --> 00:10:20,170
before the wars, before
I went into the army.

210
00:10:20,170 --> 00:10:24,330
I wouldn't remember who the
commentators were at that time.

211
00:10:24,330 --> 00:10:25,620
There were not that famous.

212
00:10:25,620 --> 00:10:28,260
They became famous
during the war.

213
00:10:28,260 --> 00:10:31,860
And during the war, I didn't
listen to them because we never

214
00:10:31,860 --> 00:10:32,880
listened to anything.

215
00:10:32,880 --> 00:10:33,380
OK.

216
00:10:33,380 --> 00:10:34,980
The only news
[AUDIO OUT] got was

217
00:10:34,980 --> 00:10:36,720
with-- from the
Stars and Stripes,

218
00:10:36,720 --> 00:10:39,090
the newspaper of the army.

219
00:10:39,090 --> 00:10:40,440
I see.

220
00:10:40,440 --> 00:10:43,080
That was the only
news source where

221
00:10:43,080 --> 00:10:46,840
we could tell whether we
were advancing or retreating.

222
00:10:46,840 --> 00:10:47,340
Yeah.

223
00:10:47,340 --> 00:10:47,840
Yeah.

224
00:10:47,840 --> 00:10:50,880
Well, also-- it's sort of
like, the most crucial piece

225
00:10:50,880 --> 00:10:57,350
of information if you're
in the military, you know?

226
00:10:57,350 --> 00:11:01,370
OK, so what about
high school, then?

227
00:11:01,370 --> 00:11:04,220
What are some of your
memories of high school?

228
00:11:04,220 --> 00:11:08,390
Was there anything distinctive
in particular, something

229
00:11:08,390 --> 00:11:10,550
that has stayed with you?

230
00:11:10,550 --> 00:11:18,320
Well, the most distinctive,
when remembering that was,

231
00:11:18,320 --> 00:11:19,590
I was lazy.

232
00:11:19,590 --> 00:11:22,640
And instead of opting
another language

233
00:11:22,640 --> 00:11:30,500
like French, which I had had for
about a year or two in Germany,

234
00:11:30,500 --> 00:11:34,220
instead of opting for
French, I opted for German.

235
00:11:34,220 --> 00:11:38,540
So I ended up grading
all the papers.

236

00:11:38,540 --> 00:11:40,940

The instructor just
turned it over to me,

237

00:11:40,940 --> 00:11:43,250

and I graded the papers for him.

238

00:11:43,250 --> 00:11:46,880

And I gave people A, B, C, or D.

239

00:11:46,880 --> 00:11:47,810

Oh, my goodness.

240

00:11:47,810 --> 00:11:50,314

And they're all your
classmates, huh?

241

00:11:50,314 --> 00:11:51,150

Yeah.

242

00:11:51,150 --> 00:11:53,450

That was my German class.

243

00:11:53,450 --> 00:11:55,710

It was definitely
an A for the whole--

244

00:11:55,710 --> 00:11:59,530

245

00:11:59,530 --> 00:12:02,690

But otherwise, it's amazing.

246

00:12:02,690 --> 00:12:05,920

I can't remember the names
of any of these instructors,

247

00:12:05,920 --> 00:12:07,100

or anything.

248

00:12:07,100 --> 00:12:08,890

Uh-huh.

249

00:12:08,890 --> 00:12:11,590

But yet, I can
remember Herr Schumann

250

00:12:11,590 --> 00:12:13,850
from the second and third grade.

251

00:12:13,850 --> 00:12:14,350

Hmm.

252

00:12:14,350 --> 00:12:17,920
Well, that's-- but Herr
Schumann was quite distinctive,

253

00:12:17,920 --> 00:12:20,915
in a quite
distinctive time, too.

254

00:12:20,915 --> 00:12:21,415
Yes.

255

00:12:21,415 --> 00:12:24,250
A much more heightened context.

256

00:12:24,250 --> 00:12:26,020
Yes.

257

00:12:26,020 --> 00:12:28,420
Had I asked you already
about whether there

258

00:12:28,420 --> 00:12:31,990
were other refugee kids
at Stuyvesant High School?

259

00:12:31,990 --> 00:12:34,920
Or was it just you and Paul
who were in that high school?

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00:12:34,920 --> 00:12:37,600

Oh, I was [AUDIO OUT]
but Paula knew

261
00:12:37,600 --> 00:12:41,470
a lot of girls who also
had come from Europe.

262
00:12:41,470 --> 00:12:45,650
And she was friends with
them, and I met a few of them.

263
00:12:45,650 --> 00:12:46,150
OK.

264
00:12:46,150 --> 00:12:50,950
But I never became close,
except that I had dated Paula.

265
00:12:50,950 --> 00:12:51,640
Mm-hmm.

266
00:12:51,640 --> 00:12:53,473
And then the worst
[AUDIO OUT] that happened

267
00:12:53,473 --> 00:12:57,490
was, when I went to war,
I wrote to a lot of kids,

268
00:12:57,490 --> 00:12:59,950
but I never wrote to Paula.

269
00:12:59,950 --> 00:13:01,090
Oh!

270
00:13:01,090 --> 00:13:03,610
I had to pick that
up after I came back,

271
00:13:03,610 --> 00:13:09,490
and we were both at CCNY, and I
re-established the friendship.

272

00:13:09,490 --> 00:13:15,040

But to my biggest
regret, and something

273

00:13:15,040 --> 00:13:17,800

I'll never hear the end
of, I never wrote her.

274

00:13:17,800 --> 00:13:18,540

Oh!

275

00:13:18,540 --> 00:13:19,750

Ooh!

276

00:13:19,750 --> 00:13:21,030

That's terrible, isn't it?

277

00:13:21,030 --> 00:13:21,530

It is.

278

00:13:21,530 --> 00:13:22,640

It is.

279

00:13:22,640 --> 00:13:23,140

Were you--

280

00:13:23,140 --> 00:13:23,845

Do I have to--

281

00:13:23,845 --> 00:13:24,625

yes?

282

00:13:24,625 --> 00:13:26,320

Then you're having to--

283

00:13:26,320 --> 00:13:29,870

you're having to make up
for it for decades later.

284

00:13:29,870 --> 00:13:33,920

I've made up for it

for the last 70 years.

285

00:13:33,920 --> 00:13:35,070

It hasn't finished yet.

286

00:13:35,070 --> 00:13:37,590

287

00:13:37,590 --> 00:13:38,760

Well, that's cute.

288

00:13:38,760 --> 00:13:40,470

That's fine.

289

00:13:40,470 --> 00:13:42,915

We're married [AUDIO OUT]
years, does she know that?

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00:13:42,915 --> 00:13:44,107

Yes, 71 years.

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00:13:44,107 --> 00:13:44,940

You've been married?

292

00:13:44,940 --> 00:13:46,830

Well, mazel tov, you know?

293

00:13:46,830 --> 00:13:48,990

Congratulations.

294

00:13:48,990 --> 00:13:50,040

Well, thank you.

295

00:13:50,040 --> 00:13:51,003

So many of us--

296

00:13:51,003 --> 00:13:52,720

In November, it'll be 72.

297

00:13:52,720 --> 00:13:53,470

In November.

298
00:13:53,470 --> 00:13:55,770
What date in November?

299
00:13:55,770 --> 00:13:56,790
Third of November.

300
00:13:56,790 --> 00:13:58,243
Third of November.

301
00:13:58,243 --> 00:13:59,160
Well, congratulations.

302
00:13:59,160 --> 00:14:02,430
[INAUDIBLE] [? I had a ?]
[INAUDIBLE]..

303
00:14:02,430 --> 00:14:05,190
OK.

304
00:14:05,190 --> 00:14:10,170
So were you-- at some
point after Pearl Harbor,

305
00:14:10,170 --> 00:14:14,190
it comes to your consciousness
that the entry of the United

306
00:14:14,190 --> 00:14:20,340
States also has some real,
direct implications for you,

307
00:14:20,340 --> 00:14:23,850
that you might end up
being part of that entry

308
00:14:23,850 --> 00:14:26,900
into World War II.

309
00:14:26,900 --> 00:14:27,590
Yes, it--

310

00:14:27,590 --> 00:14:31,940

As you were finishing
your high school, and--

311

00:14:31,940 --> 00:14:36,470

I see that you had one
summer term at CCNY--

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00:14:36,470 --> 00:14:39,860

what does CCNY stand
for, by the way?

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00:14:39,860 --> 00:14:41,980

City College of New York.

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00:14:41,980 --> 00:14:43,880

OK.

315

00:14:43,880 --> 00:14:45,590

Were you thinking of enlisting?

316

00:14:45,590 --> 00:14:47,810

Or were you going to
wait for the draft?

317

00:14:47,810 --> 00:14:48,740

Or--

318

00:14:48,740 --> 00:14:50,960

Well, you see, as
an enemy alien,

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00:14:50,960 --> 00:14:54,290

which I was, I was
not allowed to enlist.

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00:14:54,290 --> 00:14:56,390

I had to wait for the draft.

321

00:14:56,390 --> 00:15:02,630

But that was not a problem,
because I was 18 on August 1st.

322
00:15:02,630 --> 00:15:04,940
And in September, I was drafted.

323
00:15:04,940 --> 00:15:05,570
Oh, wow.

324
00:15:05,570 --> 00:15:07,040
So that was fast.

325
00:15:07,040 --> 00:15:08,550
That was very fast.

326
00:15:08,550 --> 00:15:10,880
It went very [AUDIO OUT]
They needed--

327
00:15:10,880 --> 00:15:12,740
they needed troops real quickly.

328
00:15:12,740 --> 00:15:13,400
Mm-hmm.

329
00:15:13,400 --> 00:15:19,310
And tell me a little-- walk me
through what that process was--

330
00:15:19,310 --> 00:15:21,260
you know, where you
first were, where

331
00:15:21,260 --> 00:15:26,030
you went after that, how your
enemy alien status affected

332
00:15:26,030 --> 00:15:29,390
your basic training,
or military training,

333
00:15:29,390 --> 00:15:31,500
and how things progressed.

334

00:15:31,500 --> 00:15:32,000

Yeah.

335

00:15:32,000 --> 00:15:35,120

I'm going to have to break
for about two minutes,

336

00:15:35,120 --> 00:15:38,450

because they're at our door
taking our temperature.

337

00:15:38,450 --> 00:15:39,620

OK.

338

00:15:39,620 --> 00:15:42,950

So I'll call you back
in two minutes, OK?

339

00:15:42,950 --> 00:15:46,490

Well, either hold on, or call
back, whichever you want to do.

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00:15:46,490 --> 00:15:48,555

I will call back.

341

00:15:48,555 --> 00:15:49,055

Gone.

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00:15:49,055 --> 00:15:50,560

Oh, she's coming back, or what?

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00:15:50,560 --> 00:15:51,230

I don't know.

344

00:15:51,230 --> 00:15:52,210

Well, I'd better check.

345

00:15:52,210 --> 00:15:53,170

I'm going to call back.

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00:15:53,170 --> 00:15:53,712

Let me check.

347

00:15:53,712 --> 00:15:56,290

I'll call back, OK?

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00:15:56,290 --> 00:15:56,890

[INAUDIBLE]

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00:15:56,890 --> 00:15:57,490

All right.

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00:15:57,490 --> 00:15:59,340

Not there.

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00:15:59,340 --> 00:16:04,000