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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:02,100
Beverly Hills, California.

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00:00:02,100 --> 00:00:05,850
Following is interview
with Isadore Helfing.

3
00:00:05,850 --> 00:00:14,530
I-S-A-D-O-R-E H-E-L-F-I-N-G.
Sync take one is up.

4
00:00:14,530 --> 00:00:19,750

5
00:00:19,750 --> 00:00:21,640
We're starting, Bret.

6
00:00:21,640 --> 00:00:22,900
Does he know that?

7
00:00:22,900 --> 00:00:24,220
[INTERPOSING VOICES]

8
00:00:24,220 --> 00:00:24,720
OK.

9
00:00:24,720 --> 00:00:27,800

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00:00:27,800 --> 00:00:32,950
Can you tell me what your
transport and arrival

11
00:00:32,950 --> 00:00:36,260
at Treblinka was like?

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00:00:36,260 --> 00:00:41,330
It was-- they're mostly from
my hometown that was picked up

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00:00:41,330 --> 00:00:45,493
in those trains, you know,
where they transfer cattle,

14
00:00:45,493 --> 00:00:46,160
stuff like that.

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00:00:46,160 --> 00:00:49,184

16
00:00:49,184 --> 00:00:50,070
Yeah.

17
00:00:50,070 --> 00:00:52,340
Describe what it was like
when they opened the doors

18
00:00:52,340 --> 00:00:55,190
and what you saw and how
you felt and what you did.

19
00:00:55,190 --> 00:00:56,780
The minute they
opened up the door,

20
00:00:56,780 --> 00:01:00,650
I was facing right up at about
two-story dead peoples right

21
00:01:00,650 --> 00:01:02,990
in front of me laying there.

22
00:01:02,990 --> 00:01:05,750
This was the people that
came before dead right

23
00:01:05,750 --> 00:01:10,820
in the trains, in those trains,
and they pushed them out

24
00:01:10,820 --> 00:01:14,300
because they didn't
have time to haul away

25
00:01:14,300 --> 00:01:17,670
because another train came in.

26
00:01:17,670 --> 00:01:20,840
And that's what it was--

27
00:01:20,840 --> 00:01:21,950
what I saw.

28
00:01:21,950 --> 00:01:24,110
And what did you do?

29
00:01:24,110 --> 00:01:26,780
What I did-- I saw
we're going all--

30
00:01:26,780 --> 00:01:27,710
that's it.

31
00:01:27,710 --> 00:01:34,160
And I see boys dragging dead
bodies to the grave, you know?

32
00:01:34,160 --> 00:01:38,480
And I jumped right in and
start dragging those bodies

33
00:01:38,480 --> 00:01:41,860
just like I was one of them.

34
00:01:41,860 --> 00:01:44,980
And they were pulling
them to the graves.

35
00:01:44,980 --> 00:01:49,390
And so this was
about 3, 4 o'clock.

36
00:01:49,390 --> 00:01:52,840
And you know, and then
the night turns around

37
00:01:52,840 --> 00:01:56,890
and I could not join them
so I was hiding myself

38
00:01:56,890 --> 00:01:58,850
between the bodies there.

39
00:01:58,850 --> 00:02:01,790
It's truth.

40
00:02:01,790 --> 00:02:06,390
And then in the morning, I
start doing the same thing.

41
00:02:06,390 --> 00:02:10,130
But I seeing that they count
50 people dragging those bodies

42
00:02:10,130 --> 00:02:12,020
in this particular time.

43
00:02:12,020 --> 00:02:14,420
And two, three were killed.

44
00:02:14,420 --> 00:02:17,510
They shoot them because they
couldn't drag those bodies.

45
00:02:17,510 --> 00:02:18,710
They got sick in some way.

46
00:02:18,710 --> 00:02:23,360
So I joined right into the group
and I became one of the people.

47
00:02:23,360 --> 00:02:27,040
So like in the morning they
came in and they count out

48
00:02:27,040 --> 00:02:29,600
the people-- how many people--

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00:02:29,600 --> 00:02:34,070

if the right amount
people's there.

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00:02:34,070 --> 00:02:37,160

And somebody is missing, so they
were looking what's happened,

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00:02:37,160 --> 00:02:37,920

you know?

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00:02:37,920 --> 00:02:40,190

Maybe he escaped or something.

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00:02:40,190 --> 00:02:42,710

So you actually sort
of broke in to--

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00:02:42,710 --> 00:02:46,880

I broke right into the
crew like I'm one of it.

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00:02:46,880 --> 00:02:49,760

Everybody was wearing
the same clothes

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00:02:49,760 --> 00:02:52,370

like the way they came in.

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00:02:52,370 --> 00:02:55,120

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00:02:55,120 --> 00:02:58,660

Now, describe to me in
detail as you remember it

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00:02:58,660 --> 00:03:00,790

how Treblinka was laid out.

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00:03:00,790 --> 00:03:03,390

61
00:03:03,390 --> 00:03:06,080
The way it's laid out?

62
00:03:06,080 --> 00:03:10,760
They make you go the
people in a little alley

63
00:03:10,760 --> 00:03:14,930
go and they say, men at the
right, woman at the left.

64
00:03:14,930 --> 00:03:17,360
And over there they had
to take off the clothes

65
00:03:17,360 --> 00:03:19,610
and they pushed them
right in to the gate.

66
00:03:19,610 --> 00:03:21,608
And while they come
in to the gate,

67
00:03:21,608 --> 00:03:23,900
they come this way and this
way and they join together.

68
00:03:23,900 --> 00:03:26,750
And they just went--

69
00:03:26,750 --> 00:03:29,510
they just went-- at that time
I didn't know where they go,

70
00:03:29,510 --> 00:03:34,430
but then they went to the
gas chambers all together.

71
00:03:34,430 --> 00:03:36,090
What was the camp like?

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00:03:36,090 --> 00:03:40,070
Tell me about the buildings,
how big it was, where you slept.

73
00:03:40,070 --> 00:03:42,100
Tell me how everything was--

74
00:03:42,100 --> 00:03:45,710
We slept in a building just
like a barrack, you know?

75
00:03:45,710 --> 00:03:48,380
It was low floors,
sand, and that's

76
00:03:48,380 --> 00:03:52,310
the way we were sleeping
there in those barracks.

77
00:03:52,310 --> 00:03:55,220
This was in the beginning,
the first two months

78
00:03:55,220 --> 00:03:56,960
when I was there.

79
00:03:56,960 --> 00:04:01,305
Later they built, you know,
barracks where you can sleep

80
00:04:01,305 --> 00:04:02,180
like-- we call this--

81
00:04:02,180 --> 00:04:04,860

82
00:04:04,860 --> 00:04:05,360
Bunks.

83
00:04:05,360 --> 00:04:07,270
Bunks, yeah.

84

00:04:07,270 --> 00:04:10,180

Well, tell me how the whole camp was, how many buildings there

85

00:04:10,180 --> 00:04:13,450

were, how big it was, where the gas chambers were.

86

00:04:13,450 --> 00:04:14,890

Describe to me--

87

00:04:14,890 --> 00:04:17,230

The gas chambers was about 14.

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00:04:17,230 --> 00:04:19,779

They was the size of a single garage, something like that.

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00:04:19,779 --> 00:04:21,760

A garage and a half.

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00:04:21,760 --> 00:04:26,500

And they pushed them in there, you know?

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00:04:26,500 --> 00:04:28,330

The Gestapo and the Ukrainian.

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00:04:28,330 --> 00:04:31,090

If people didn't want to go in, they saw it,

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00:04:31,090 --> 00:04:34,390

you know, they hit them and they pushed each other right in.

94

00:04:34,390 --> 00:04:36,280

And they were standing up against--

95

00:04:36,280 --> 00:04:38,732

packed and then they gas them.

96
00:04:38,732 --> 00:04:40,690
And from the other side,
there's a sliding door

97
00:04:40,690 --> 00:04:43,510
they just slide it off
and another group was

98
00:04:43,510 --> 00:04:44,650
taken into the graves.

99
00:04:44,650 --> 00:04:47,170

100
00:04:47,170 --> 00:04:50,950
That was the beginning
when I got there.

101
00:04:50,950 --> 00:04:53,020
Tell me how long you
were there and how

102
00:04:53,020 --> 00:04:57,640
it changed over the course of
the time that you were there.

103
00:04:57,640 --> 00:05:00,915
The change was they put
people in a mass grave.

104
00:05:00,915 --> 00:05:03,570

105
00:05:03,570 --> 00:05:08,610
And then when the grave was
filled up, and so with the time

106
00:05:08,610 --> 00:05:13,830
came a new law something, they
dugged out the dead people

107
00:05:13,830 --> 00:05:16,320

from those graves and
put them in one place

108
00:05:16,320 --> 00:05:18,660
where a big fire was
going and they were

109
00:05:18,660 --> 00:05:20,456
burning the bodies that time.

110
00:05:20,456 --> 00:05:23,250

111
00:05:23,250 --> 00:05:25,470
This was after a month or so.

112
00:05:25,470 --> 00:05:27,570
And they were the-- the
new people who came,

113
00:05:27,570 --> 00:05:29,520
they go right in
and just throw right

114
00:05:29,520 --> 00:05:36,390
into the- it was a grave where
the fire was, a special fire.

115
00:05:36,390 --> 00:05:37,646
And it was burning there.

116
00:05:37,646 --> 00:05:40,980

117
00:05:40,980 --> 00:05:46,180
When you got there, how long
had Treblinka been going?

118
00:05:46,180 --> 00:05:47,620
Oh, I don't know.

119
00:05:47,620 --> 00:05:52,440

Maybe-- they were
building Treblinka--

120
00:05:52,440 --> 00:05:56,340
it was about a month
or three weeks.

121
00:05:56,340 --> 00:05:58,800
Most of the people was
from the Warsaw ghetto.

122
00:05:58,800 --> 00:06:03,430
They brought them
from the Warsaw ghetto

123
00:06:03,430 --> 00:06:05,140
to build Treblinka.

124
00:06:05,140 --> 00:06:09,780
Tell me about the transports,
and was it organized?

125
00:06:09,780 --> 00:06:10,890
Was it orderly?

126
00:06:10,890 --> 00:06:13,420
How long did it take?

127
00:06:13,420 --> 00:06:14,790
How often did they come?

128
00:06:14,790 --> 00:06:16,710
Describe to me what it was like.

129
00:06:16,710 --> 00:06:19,450

130
00:06:19,450 --> 00:06:20,590
I didn't get it.

131
00:06:20,590 --> 00:06:22,310
The transport.

132
00:06:22,310 --> 00:06:24,490
When a transport would come in--

133
00:06:24,490 --> 00:06:27,370
Yeah, oh, you mean
inside Treblinka, yeah?

134
00:06:27,370 --> 00:06:29,410
Yeah, once you had
been there for a while

135
00:06:29,410 --> 00:06:30,490
and you were working.

136
00:06:30,490 --> 00:06:34,660
Some transport had to
wait, couldn't get in,

137
00:06:34,660 --> 00:06:39,280
because inside going to
Treblinka was one track.

138
00:06:39,280 --> 00:06:41,413
When they put the one
in, they could not

139
00:06:41,413 --> 00:06:42,330
come in the other one.

140
00:06:42,330 --> 00:06:43,260
There was one track.

141
00:06:43,260 --> 00:06:44,730
So they were--
sometimes they were

142
00:06:44,730 --> 00:06:48,900
waiting for hours till
this one pulled out empty

143
00:06:48,900 --> 00:06:50,310

and the other came in.

144
00:06:50,310 --> 00:06:54,760
This was going till
late in the evening.

145
00:06:54,760 --> 00:06:56,110
Not at night.

146
00:06:56,110 --> 00:06:56,950
Every day?

147
00:06:56,950 --> 00:06:57,750
Every day.

148
00:06:57,750 --> 00:07:00,480

149
00:07:00,480 --> 00:07:02,520
What did the people think--

150
00:07:02,520 --> 00:07:03,210
where--

151
00:07:03,210 --> 00:07:05,100
People, the minute
they got into Treblinka

152
00:07:05,100 --> 00:07:07,440
and they saw what's going
on, the dead bodies,

153
00:07:07,440 --> 00:07:08,350
they were screaming.

154
00:07:08,350 --> 00:07:09,690
That's all.

155
00:07:09,690 --> 00:07:11,155
Everybody was screaming.

156

00:07:11,155 --> 00:07:12,030
Screaming and crying.

157
00:07:12,030 --> 00:07:15,040

158
00:07:15,040 --> 00:07:18,880
The screaming, you know, it
was going on the whole day.

159
00:07:18,880 --> 00:07:22,830

160
00:07:22,830 --> 00:07:25,797
Was there a time when it
was busier than other times

161
00:07:25,797 --> 00:07:26,880
or when you were working--

162
00:07:26,880 --> 00:07:29,370
Yeah, sometimes they had to--
sometimes they were waiting,

163
00:07:29,370 --> 00:07:31,350
but sometimes they
just in and out

164
00:07:31,350 --> 00:07:34,860
and just went through
them very smoothly.

165
00:07:34,860 --> 00:07:38,400
Some of those, the trains
came in, there was 80%,

166
00:07:38,400 --> 00:07:40,980
90% dead-- people
were dead there.

167
00:07:40,980 --> 00:07:44,850
They kept them so long, for
two, three days till they

168
00:07:44,850 --> 00:07:48,660
got in there, and they had
no water, no ale, nothing,

169
00:07:48,660 --> 00:07:51,960
and they died
right in the train.

170
00:07:51,960 --> 00:07:55,720

171
00:07:55,720 --> 00:07:58,240
I said, when we dragged out
bodies from train, people--

172
00:07:58,240 --> 00:08:02,130
their heads was that
big from the heat there.

173
00:08:02,130 --> 00:08:06,900

174
00:08:06,900 --> 00:08:10,320
Tell me the story of
how you were picked up

175
00:08:10,320 --> 00:08:15,270
and when you were picked up
and then transported there.

176
00:08:15,270 --> 00:08:18,710
I went together when
they came in the morning

177
00:08:18,710 --> 00:08:22,913
in my hometown, the ghetto,
and they ordered everybody out

178
00:08:22,913 --> 00:08:23,580
from the houses.

179

00:08:23,580 --> 00:08:26,150

180

00:08:26,150 --> 00:08:27,360

This was in the ghetto.

181

00:08:27,360 --> 00:08:31,070

So we all took packages,
you know, bags and sit

182

00:08:31,070 --> 00:08:33,950

right in the court
and the house there

183

00:08:33,950 --> 00:08:37,539

because this was-- you know,
people lived all the way around

184

00:08:37,539 --> 00:08:38,480

in their house.

185

00:08:38,480 --> 00:08:40,450

It's like a court.

186

00:08:40,450 --> 00:08:43,970

And then by 8 o'clock,
8:30 we had to--

187

00:08:43,970 --> 00:08:48,020

they told us to go out and
go to march right there

188

00:08:48,020 --> 00:08:53,540

maybe about a mile from my
house to go to the trains.

189

00:08:53,540 --> 00:08:59,440

So we all went together,
so they picked me up

190

00:08:59,440 --> 00:09:01,760

from the group in the side.

191

00:09:01,760 --> 00:09:05,090

So they picked up

200, 300 people

192

00:09:05,090 --> 00:09:08,300

and put them in a

different barrack.

193

00:09:08,300 --> 00:09:11,330

194

00:09:11,330 --> 00:09:14,130

And they needed people

to work in the city,

195

00:09:14,130 --> 00:09:16,550

so I remained as a worker.

196

00:09:16,550 --> 00:09:17,540

But I didn't work.

197

00:09:17,540 --> 00:09:20,480

The next day was

another transport.

198

00:09:20,480 --> 00:09:25,700

I got out from the group

and went into the transport

199

00:09:25,700 --> 00:09:27,810

because we didn't

know we were going.

200

00:09:27,810 --> 00:09:30,050

And I said to myself,

my parents were not

201

00:09:30,050 --> 00:09:37,100

going to survive 24 hours if

I wouldn't be there, you know?

202

00:09:37,100 --> 00:09:41,720

People, they were the age, you
know, to take care of them,

203
00:09:41,720 --> 00:09:42,830
you know?

204
00:09:42,830 --> 00:09:48,830
So I went willingly by myself in
and then we got into Treblinka.

205
00:09:48,830 --> 00:09:51,440
They kept us a whole
day in a big field

206
00:09:51,440 --> 00:09:57,257
till they pushed us
into those trains.

207
00:09:57,257 --> 00:09:58,090
What do you call it?

208
00:09:58,090 --> 00:09:58,590
Train?

209
00:09:58,590 --> 00:10:02,140
I call it that, where they
carry the cattles in there.

210
00:10:02,140 --> 00:10:03,220
Cattle train.

211
00:10:03,220 --> 00:10:05,670
Cattle train.

212
00:10:05,670 --> 00:10:11,790
All right, now describe for me
again the arrival at Treblinka.

213
00:10:11,790 --> 00:10:13,290
We arrived at Treblinka.

214
00:10:13,290 --> 00:10:16,140

And just the way
I told you before,

215
00:10:16,140 --> 00:10:19,410
they slid up the door, open
the door, and they tell them,

216
00:10:19,410 --> 00:10:20,730
go right in here.

217
00:10:20,730 --> 00:10:22,110
This way.

218
00:10:22,110 --> 00:10:25,350
And of course, there was a
little arch says woman right,

219
00:10:25,350 --> 00:10:29,500
and they go to take a
shower and stuff like that.

220
00:10:29,500 --> 00:10:31,830
And then they got in at
a little field there.

221
00:10:31,830 --> 00:10:34,560
Everybody had to get undressed.

222
00:10:34,560 --> 00:10:36,870
They didn't keep the
people overnight.

223
00:10:36,870 --> 00:10:39,430

224
00:10:39,430 --> 00:10:44,357
The whole thing has to be
finished off, the whole train.

225
00:10:44,357 --> 00:10:45,940
And they put them
in the gas chambers.

226
00:10:45,940 --> 00:10:48,100
And the other side
was another group

227
00:10:48,100 --> 00:10:50,710
and haul them away
to the graves.

228
00:10:50,710 --> 00:10:54,990

229
00:10:54,990 --> 00:10:57,870
We're going to
run out very soon.

230
00:10:57,870 --> 00:10:59,620
Let's just reload.

231
00:10:59,620 --> 00:11:09,570

232
00:11:09,570 --> 00:11:13,836
I guess most of this part
you have it in the tape, no?

233
00:11:13,836 --> 00:11:16,230
Change film to camera two.

234
00:11:16,230 --> 00:11:18,990
Sync take two.

235
00:11:18,990 --> 00:11:23,430
Tell me what kind of
a camp Treblinka was,

236
00:11:23,430 --> 00:11:27,490
and how it differed from
other concentration camps.

237
00:11:27,490 --> 00:11:30,210
Camp Treblinka was
[? predominantly ?]

238
00:11:30,210 --> 00:11:32,070
a death camp.

239
00:11:32,070 --> 00:11:37,710
Nobody was used for any
hard labor or anything.

240
00:11:37,710 --> 00:11:44,460
The labor was just with bodies,
pulling people from the train

241
00:11:44,460 --> 00:11:45,840
and taking out different things.

242
00:11:45,840 --> 00:11:49,140
But they-- of course,
some people, girls a few,

243
00:11:49,140 --> 00:11:50,940
worked in the laundry there.

244
00:11:50,940 --> 00:11:51,660
Not for us.

245
00:11:51,660 --> 00:11:55,740
Just for the
Ukrainians, the Germans.

246
00:11:55,740 --> 00:11:57,870
And of course,
there was a kitchen.

247
00:11:57,870 --> 00:12:02,850
They had a shoemaker, a
tailor, a little court that

248
00:12:02,850 --> 00:12:06,350
had all the shops,
and a blacksmith,

249
00:12:06,350 --> 00:12:08,780

you know, to put
shoes on the horses.

250
00:12:08,780 --> 00:12:11,650
They had horses there too.

251
00:12:11,650 --> 00:12:14,230
They used the horses
just to bring there--

252
00:12:14,230 --> 00:12:16,930
they didn't have cars,
but they used the horses

253
00:12:16,930 --> 00:12:21,190
to go in a little town to
bring supply for the Germans.

254
00:12:21,190 --> 00:12:21,770
Food.

255
00:12:21,770 --> 00:12:24,560
Food supply.

256
00:12:24,560 --> 00:12:25,060
Yeah.

257
00:12:25,060 --> 00:12:27,690

258
00:12:27,690 --> 00:12:29,790
Tell me how many
of you there were

259
00:12:29,790 --> 00:12:33,187
and how many Germans there were,
how many Ukrainians there were.

260
00:12:33,187 --> 00:12:38,170

261
00:12:38,170 --> 00:12:41,720

There was about
1,000, 1,200 people.

262
00:12:41,720 --> 00:12:46,230
But the end was between
1,300 and 1,500 people

263
00:12:46,230 --> 00:12:51,290
in the camp working.

264
00:12:51,290 --> 00:12:54,510
And who were all of them?

265
00:12:54,510 --> 00:12:57,270
Were they all-- they were
all prisoners like you?

266
00:12:57,270 --> 00:12:59,670
Yeah, they're the same here.

267
00:12:59,670 --> 00:13:01,860
All right, now I want
you to tell me again

268
00:13:01,860 --> 00:13:05,520
how you managed-- what you
did when the doors opened.

269
00:13:05,520 --> 00:13:07,440
Tell it to me as though
you didn't tell me

270
00:13:07,440 --> 00:13:12,030
before how you managed not to
go through one of those gates

271
00:13:12,030 --> 00:13:15,290
and, go into the--

272
00:13:15,290 --> 00:13:18,373
You know, when the
train arrived, you know,

273

00:13:18,373 --> 00:13:20,540
like they do, they pushed--
they opened up the door.

274

00:13:20,540 --> 00:13:23,270
Not opened the door,
sliding, you know?

275

00:13:23,270 --> 00:13:27,170
And this-- the most-- like
I say, the most of them

276

00:13:27,170 --> 00:13:29,330
came from other towns.

277

00:13:29,330 --> 00:13:32,390
Happens to be from my town
when I came out there.

278

00:13:32,390 --> 00:13:35,150
Most people got sick
there, but not--

279

00:13:35,150 --> 00:13:36,470
didn't die.

280

00:13:36,470 --> 00:13:38,450
But the most train
came in and people

281

00:13:38,450 --> 00:13:42,028
were laying dead in dirt.

282

00:13:42,028 --> 00:13:43,820
And there was a group
of the people, that's

283

00:13:43,820 --> 00:13:46,550
what I did, pulled
out the people,

284

00:13:46,550 --> 00:13:49,730

and that's why I piled up
a big pile of dead people

285
00:13:49,730 --> 00:13:51,650
because the next
train is coming out.

286
00:13:51,650 --> 00:13:55,100
They had no time to haul away.

287
00:13:55,100 --> 00:14:00,180
And farmers around the
neighborhood, had-- it was--

288
00:14:00,180 --> 00:14:03,610
they made a law they should
bring a buggy and a horse

289
00:14:03,610 --> 00:14:07,310
and leave it at the
gate at Treblinka.

290
00:14:07,310 --> 00:14:11,690
In the evening they picked it
up, their horse and the buggy.

291
00:14:11,690 --> 00:14:18,780
So we used the buggy and piled
them on the little buggy.

292
00:14:18,780 --> 00:14:22,800
And some people were dragging
dead people without a buggy

293
00:14:22,800 --> 00:14:24,870
because so many
people, you know?

294
00:14:24,870 --> 00:14:28,590
Because the grave was
away by 500 yards,

295
00:14:28,590 --> 00:14:33,700

400 yards from the
train, from the rail.

296
00:14:33,700 --> 00:14:37,920
And that's why I survived.

297
00:14:37,920 --> 00:14:43,590
Now tell me about your
conscious effort to survive.

298
00:14:43,590 --> 00:14:47,850
Tell me how you-- what
you decided to do.

299
00:14:47,850 --> 00:14:50,790
We knew we were going
to die any minute.

300
00:14:50,790 --> 00:14:54,240
But that time, you
know, you just--

301
00:14:54,240 --> 00:14:56,760
you became one of the--

302
00:14:56,760 --> 00:14:59,400
you're not a human
being, you know?

303
00:14:59,400 --> 00:15:03,420
I was afraid to kill
a fly, and here I

304
00:15:03,420 --> 00:15:06,630
had to lay between the
bodies, pull the bodies,

305
00:15:06,630 --> 00:15:08,520
and it just became like
a nonsense, you know?

306
00:15:08,520 --> 00:15:13,230
Like not like a human being.

307
00:15:13,230 --> 00:15:14,490
This was in the beginning.

308
00:15:14,490 --> 00:15:20,147
But then I did
something different.

309
00:15:20,147 --> 00:15:22,890

310
00:15:22,890 --> 00:15:26,100
What kinds of different
things did you do?

311
00:15:26,100 --> 00:15:27,480
Did you have friends there?

312
00:15:27,480 --> 00:15:28,680
No friends.

313
00:15:28,680 --> 00:15:30,207
We all became friends.

314
00:15:30,207 --> 00:15:31,290
Doesn't make a difference.

315
00:15:31,290 --> 00:15:33,690
One from this town, this town.

316
00:15:33,690 --> 00:15:37,890
Practically everybody was
almost my age, you know?

317
00:15:37,890 --> 00:15:39,760
They picked up these young boys.

318
00:15:39,760 --> 00:15:43,230
19, 20 years, 18
years old, you know.

319

00:15:43,230 --> 00:15:48,810
But 20, 22, 23, very
seldom we found one there.

320
00:15:48,810 --> 00:15:53,240
So that was too
old at that time.

321
00:15:53,240 --> 00:15:57,350
[? So ?] this, and then
they camp got organized.

322
00:15:57,350 --> 00:15:58,970
And what happened?

323
00:15:58,970 --> 00:16:02,630
How do I got survived?

324
00:16:02,630 --> 00:16:05,060
So I worked on a
lot of things there.

325
00:16:05,060 --> 00:16:07,600
I was hauling water, you know?

326
00:16:07,600 --> 00:16:11,030
There was a little, what
do you call this, well, you

327
00:16:11,030 --> 00:16:12,530
know, where they
picked up the water

328
00:16:12,530 --> 00:16:14,720
and carry it to the kitchen.

329
00:16:14,720 --> 00:16:18,710
I was working on that
maybe a couple of weeks.

330
00:16:18,710 --> 00:16:23,690
And then one time they
picked up a bunch of people.

331
00:16:23,690 --> 00:16:27,020
You see, they
separated Treblinka.

332
00:16:27,020 --> 00:16:31,165
There was two-- the camp
was number two anyways.

333
00:16:31,165 --> 00:16:32,540
I'm not talking
about number one.

334
00:16:32,540 --> 00:16:36,350
But at the number two
camp, they separate--

335
00:16:36,350 --> 00:16:39,200
they put a gate.

336
00:16:39,200 --> 00:16:41,690
When you came out
from the gas chambers,

337
00:16:41,690 --> 00:16:44,630
there's another group
holding the bodies

338
00:16:44,630 --> 00:16:46,730
and put into the graves.

339
00:16:46,730 --> 00:16:50,790
And those people with this
people didn't got together.

340
00:16:50,790 --> 00:16:52,760
It's in the same
field, the same people

341
00:16:52,760 --> 00:16:56,780
were running there, the
SS and the Ukrainian,

342
00:16:56,780 --> 00:16:58,310
but we didn't get together.

343
00:16:58,310 --> 00:17:02,178
One time they picked me up.

344
00:17:02,178 --> 00:17:04,220
Every morning they had to
pull out all the people

345
00:17:04,220 --> 00:17:06,452
and they counted how
many people were here.

346
00:17:06,452 --> 00:17:08,119
Otherwise there were
two, three missing,

347
00:17:08,119 --> 00:17:12,470
they know somebody escaped, and
they punished and that and that

348
00:17:12,470 --> 00:17:17,150
for that, punished other
people not to escape.

349
00:17:17,150 --> 00:17:23,030
So one time they picked about
20, 30 people from this group

350
00:17:23,030 --> 00:17:27,020
and took them to the other
side where they pulling people

351
00:17:27,020 --> 00:17:29,200
to the grave.

352
00:17:29,200 --> 00:17:36,250
And I saw over there I
cannot survive 48 hours.

353
00:17:36,250 --> 00:17:40,740

The next day, then they
make me hauling water,

354
00:17:40,740 --> 00:17:43,780
and the water was at the other
site where the train came in,

355
00:17:43,780 --> 00:17:48,810
this part of Treblinka,
and I saw what's going on,

356
00:17:48,810 --> 00:17:51,400
and I see the Ukrainian
is not looking at me

357
00:17:51,400 --> 00:17:53,860
and he just went to
somebody else and talked.

358
00:17:53,860 --> 00:17:57,160
I left it the two
barrels of water

359
00:17:57,160 --> 00:18:00,790
and got back to the
same group where I

360
00:18:00,790 --> 00:18:03,950
was before and started working.

361
00:18:03,950 --> 00:18:07,840
So that's why-- and then I
got back into the same group.

362
00:18:07,840 --> 00:18:10,720
Over there, there was
food because people

363
00:18:10,720 --> 00:18:12,220
came to Treblinka.

364
00:18:12,220 --> 00:18:14,570
Somebody had a piece of

bread and that and that.

365

00:18:14,570 --> 00:18:17,830

So you picked it up, you
found the food to eat there.

366

00:18:17,830 --> 00:18:20,410

And over the other side,
you're dealing just

367

00:18:20,410 --> 00:18:23,200

with the dead bodies, you know?

368

00:18:23,200 --> 00:18:25,870

And this side was the
people just arrived.

369

00:18:25,870 --> 00:18:27,400

They left the
clothes, everything.

370

00:18:27,400 --> 00:18:29,740

Over there, just
plain dead body.

371

00:18:29,740 --> 00:18:34,750

So I got back to this
thing and that's why--

372

00:18:34,750 --> 00:18:37,060

and then I remained in there.

373

00:18:37,060 --> 00:18:40,210

If they would have
knew I changed the job,

374

00:18:40,210 --> 00:18:42,595

they would have killed
me right on the spot.

375

00:18:42,595 --> 00:18:44,470

But we knew anyways
we're going to be killed.

376
00:18:44,470 --> 00:18:45,553
Nobody's going to survive.

377
00:18:45,553 --> 00:18:48,140

378
00:18:48,140 --> 00:18:49,960
So it happens like this.

379
00:18:49,960 --> 00:18:52,720
The way I survived is like this.

380
00:18:52,720 --> 00:18:58,700
In that camp there was a horse
and a two-wheeler buggy that

381
00:18:58,700 --> 00:19:01,991
picked up garbage, you know?

382
00:19:01,991 --> 00:19:04,610
It picked the garbage
and took it to the grave

383
00:19:04,610 --> 00:19:06,950
where the people were burning.

384
00:19:06,950 --> 00:19:12,050
And he backed it out and dumped
the garbage in for burning.

385
00:19:12,050 --> 00:19:15,560
There was no trash cans,
something to haul away.

386
00:19:15,560 --> 00:19:19,790
Everything that went into
the grave to burn it.

387
00:19:19,790 --> 00:19:22,110
Nobody had a
canister or anything.

388
00:19:22,110 --> 00:19:25,160
There was no such a thing.

389
00:19:25,160 --> 00:19:26,750
This is going to burn--

390
00:19:26,750 --> 00:19:28,460
not going to burn.

391
00:19:28,460 --> 00:19:31,970
So what happened, when the
guy pulled back the horse,

392
00:19:31,970 --> 00:19:32,600
I told him--

393
00:19:32,600 --> 00:19:35,450
the horse pushed him to
go backwards, the horse

394
00:19:35,450 --> 00:19:38,600
got wild and backed it
up and went in right

395
00:19:38,600 --> 00:19:42,030
to the fire with the buggy.

396
00:19:42,030 --> 00:19:45,870
And then the German was
run to see what's going on.

397
00:19:45,870 --> 00:19:47,940
He shoot him.

398
00:19:47,940 --> 00:19:49,050
There was a stable.

399
00:19:49,050 --> 00:19:53,190
There was five horses.

400

00:19:53,190 --> 00:19:58,740
And they used the horses for
horseback riding and two horses

401
00:19:58,740 --> 00:20:00,470
for going--

402
00:20:00,470 --> 00:20:04,050
to bring the materials,
you know, the food

403
00:20:04,050 --> 00:20:07,050
from the other towns
for the Germans.

404
00:20:07,050 --> 00:20:08,940
So they need another guy.

405
00:20:08,940 --> 00:20:11,850
It happens to be I
was in the barracks

406
00:20:11,850 --> 00:20:15,060
with a guy who
worked in the stable,

407
00:20:15,060 --> 00:20:19,870
cleaned the horses,
feed the horses.

408
00:20:19,870 --> 00:20:22,590
And he says, you're
going to be good,

409
00:20:22,590 --> 00:20:24,450
and I substitute
the other guy who

410
00:20:24,450 --> 00:20:26,430
got killed when sitting there.

411
00:20:26,430 --> 00:20:31,710
On account of that thing,

I survived in Treblinka.

412
00:20:31,710 --> 00:20:35,120
From then on, I had nothing
to do with the people--

413
00:20:35,120 --> 00:20:36,730
working by the dead people.

414
00:20:36,730 --> 00:20:38,530
I just used the horse.

415
00:20:38,530 --> 00:20:43,940
I learned how to clean horses
and feed them and bring water.

416
00:20:43,940 --> 00:20:45,940
There was no
[INAUDIBLE] you know.

417
00:20:45,940 --> 00:20:48,790
You had to go to the
well and get the water.

418
00:20:48,790 --> 00:20:54,120
And this fellow happens to
be-- he was a few years older,

419
00:20:54,120 --> 00:20:56,370
and that Ukrainian--
there was a Ukrainian who

420
00:20:56,370 --> 00:20:58,590
was in charge of this stable.

421
00:20:58,590 --> 00:21:04,080
When he got to the town, he
got for himself food, you know,

422
00:21:04,080 --> 00:21:08,340
all this salamis
and vodkas and that.

423

00:21:08,340 --> 00:21:12,650

So I have-- as far as food was concerned, I was eating there

424

00:21:12,650 --> 00:21:14,070

and it was OK.

425

00:21:14,070 --> 00:21:16,350

And then he want me to drink some vodka.

426

00:21:16,350 --> 00:21:20,330

I didn't touch it and the guy said, don't you touch it.

427

00:21:20,330 --> 00:21:23,520

Otherwise if they came and they see you are a little little

428

00:21:23,520 --> 00:21:25,530

drunk, you'll be killed.

429

00:21:25,530 --> 00:21:30,990

Now, I was listening to him and that's why I survived.

430

00:21:30,990 --> 00:21:33,432

That's why I survived that long to be in Treblinka.

431

00:21:33,432 --> 00:21:38,980

432

00:21:38,980 --> 00:21:41,220

Did you have Kapos in Treblinka?

433

00:21:41,220 --> 00:21:42,200

Yeah.

434

00:21:42,200 --> 00:21:45,530

Tell me what a Kapo is.

435

00:21:45,530 --> 00:21:49,670

There was-- one of my Kapo,
he was a young fellow.

436

00:21:49,670 --> 00:21:53,360

He came a little
earlier, and his name--

437

00:21:53,360 --> 00:21:55,490

I can tell you his name
is [? Moniek ?] because we

438

00:21:55,490 --> 00:21:56,157

called him that.

439

00:21:56,157 --> 00:21:57,710

I remember that.

440

00:21:57,710 --> 00:22:04,500

He acted towards the Gestapo
is rough to the people,

441

00:22:04,500 --> 00:22:06,720

but he didn't harm people.

442

00:22:06,720 --> 00:22:10,980

He didn't harm nobody,
this particular guy.

443

00:22:10,980 --> 00:22:13,950

So there was about
two or three Kapos,

444

00:22:13,950 --> 00:22:15,930

but he was my Kapo,
this particular guy.

445

00:22:15,930 --> 00:22:17,874

All right, we have to reload.

446

00:22:17,874 --> 00:22:24,678

447

00:22:24,678 --> 00:22:25,990

About the uprising.

448

00:22:25,990 --> 00:22:31,130

Tell me all about the whole plan
and then go right through it.

449

00:22:31,130 --> 00:22:35,800

So I was the one
who knew we going

450

00:22:35,800 --> 00:22:39,820

to have the uprising because
they came to the stable

451

00:22:39,820 --> 00:22:46,010

and they told me, listen,
this is going to be an uprising.

452

00:22:46,010 --> 00:22:49,000

What happens to me was a
little boy who was very young,

453

00:22:49,000 --> 00:22:53,380

his father was there
working in a tailor shop.

454

00:22:53,380 --> 00:22:57,497

And happens to be he
was from my hometown.

455

00:22:57,497 --> 00:22:59,080

Happens to be he was
from my hometown.

456

00:22:59,080 --> 00:23:02,060

That little boy
was a shoeshine boy

457

00:23:02,060 --> 00:23:09,720

at the barracks where the
Germans were living there.

458
00:23:09,720 --> 00:23:12,670
And over there
they had the supply

459
00:23:12,670 --> 00:23:15,690
of ammunition there, a supply.

460
00:23:15,690 --> 00:23:17,910
And he had a way of going in.

461
00:23:17,910 --> 00:23:21,720
He brought out a lot of--
stole a lot of ammunition

462
00:23:21,720 --> 00:23:26,310
and distributed to some people
who knows how to handle.

463
00:23:26,310 --> 00:23:30,390
Not everybody in the camp knew
there's going to be an uprising.

464
00:23:30,390 --> 00:23:33,330
And I was told when
you hear the uprising--

465
00:23:33,330 --> 00:23:38,400

466
00:23:38,400 --> 00:23:43,050
when I hear the uprising,
I should grab the rifle

467
00:23:43,050 --> 00:23:46,740
from the Ukrainian because
he had a rifle laying

468
00:23:46,740 --> 00:23:49,050
there openly loaded.

469
00:23:49,050 --> 00:23:51,210

I got access to it
all the time, but he

470
00:23:51,210 --> 00:23:56,600
didn't care because I've been
there a few months there.

471
00:23:56,600 --> 00:24:00,470
So they told me when you hear
the uprising, grab that rifle

472
00:24:00,470 --> 00:24:04,830
and run with us and the uprising.

473
00:24:04,830 --> 00:24:10,010
So in the end, the people from
the barracks where they used

474
00:24:10,010 --> 00:24:14,960
to tailor shoes, shoemakers and
that, in this particular time,

475
00:24:14,960 --> 00:24:19,530
11 o'clock, if any of the
Gestapo comes in there,

476
00:24:19,530 --> 00:24:23,430
to the room there, to the
place, grab him, chuck him,

477
00:24:23,430 --> 00:24:26,510
and he cannot say I
will just kill him there

478
00:24:26,510 --> 00:24:30,230
because the uprising
is 11 o'clock.

479
00:24:30,230 --> 00:24:34,760
Somehow it delayed and the
people who knew about it

480
00:24:34,760 --> 00:24:36,270

didn't know what to do.

481
00:24:36,270 --> 00:24:39,830
So the uprising was
a little later.

482
00:24:39,830 --> 00:24:44,400
And maybe two or three of
the Germans were killed

483
00:24:44,400 --> 00:24:45,980
and then we start running.

484
00:24:45,980 --> 00:24:52,850
The wires around the barracks
was not electric in Treblinka.

485
00:24:52,850 --> 00:24:56,150
They didn't make any
tattoos on the arms.

486
00:24:56,150 --> 00:25:00,260
You wear the clothes what
you wear all the time.

487
00:25:00,260 --> 00:25:02,500
That's the way this
camp was like that.

488
00:25:02,500 --> 00:25:05,630

489
00:25:05,630 --> 00:25:07,550
So we run.

490
00:25:07,550 --> 00:25:10,640
We start running and I
jumped across the wires

491
00:25:10,640 --> 00:25:16,410
and the people, you
know, patrols started

492
00:25:16,410 --> 00:25:18,660
shooting left and right.

493
00:25:18,660 --> 00:25:20,160
Now I was running
in the field and I

494
00:25:20,160 --> 00:25:25,020
saw how the bullets popping
in the ground in front of me.

495
00:25:25,020 --> 00:25:27,270
And then we got into the--

496
00:25:27,270 --> 00:25:29,880
then it got dark and I
got into the deep woods

497
00:25:29,880 --> 00:25:33,060
because from the distance we
see black, this was woods.

498
00:25:33,060 --> 00:25:35,670
We were running
straight into the woods.

499
00:25:35,670 --> 00:25:37,730
And we hid out overnight.

500
00:25:37,730 --> 00:25:40,770

501
00:25:40,770 --> 00:25:45,120
And so the next day, we didn't
where to go, what to go.

502
00:25:45,120 --> 00:25:47,010
I saw a little farm--

503
00:25:47,010 --> 00:25:49,260
a farmer all by himself.

504

00:25:49,260 --> 00:25:51,180

I was with another guy.

505

00:25:51,180 --> 00:25:55,930

And we got into his place,
and we told him the story

506

00:25:55,930 --> 00:25:58,780

and he kept us hiding.

507

00:25:58,780 --> 00:26:02,860

But later he used
us to help him work.

508

00:26:02,860 --> 00:26:04,180

And this was--

509

00:26:04,180 --> 00:26:07,090

510

00:26:07,090 --> 00:26:09,460

I don't know what to say now.

511

00:26:09,460 --> 00:26:14,023

Tell me on how big a scale it
was, how many of the inmates

512

00:26:14,023 --> 00:26:15,940

were involved, how many
do you think got away,

513

00:26:15,940 --> 00:26:17,440

and then what
happened afterwards.

514

00:26:17,440 --> 00:26:20,130

It got away a handful.

515

00:26:20,130 --> 00:26:22,610

There rest, all of them were
killed right on the spot.

516
00:26:22,610 --> 00:26:25,180

517
00:26:25,180 --> 00:26:26,700
How do you know that?

518
00:26:26,700 --> 00:26:28,700
How do you-- how did you
find out what happened?

519
00:26:28,700 --> 00:26:31,620
Because after the war,
we tried to get together

520
00:26:31,620 --> 00:26:33,220
how many people survived.

521
00:26:33,220 --> 00:26:40,040
There was only 27 people from
Treblinka from both camps.

522
00:26:40,040 --> 00:26:42,440
The camp where I was
called Treblinka two,

523
00:26:42,440 --> 00:26:45,140
and there was another
one, a labor camp.

524
00:26:45,140 --> 00:26:48,350
They chopping wood
and making rolls.

525
00:26:48,350 --> 00:26:53,388
Altogether was 27 people
after the liberation.

526
00:26:53,388 --> 00:26:58,870

527
00:26:58,870 --> 00:27:02,110
How many people did you

kill during the uprising?

528
00:27:02,110 --> 00:27:03,100
Nobody.

529
00:27:03,100 --> 00:27:04,270
I was running.

530
00:27:04,270 --> 00:27:09,820
How many did inmates kill
in general, do you think?

531
00:27:09,820 --> 00:27:11,580
Inmates killed or
the Germans killed?

532
00:27:11,580 --> 00:27:13,400
How many of the
Germans got killed?

533
00:27:13,400 --> 00:27:14,560
About two, three.

534
00:27:14,560 --> 00:27:15,200
Two or three.

535
00:27:15,200 --> 00:27:16,220
Yeah.

536
00:27:16,220 --> 00:27:18,800
Now, go back to when
you were in the camp

537
00:27:18,800 --> 00:27:23,990
and tell me about any
sabotage that you did

538
00:27:23,990 --> 00:27:28,880
or that other prisoners did.

539
00:27:28,880 --> 00:27:32,840
There was two prisoners

tried to escape at night.

540

00:27:32,840 --> 00:27:38,040

They tried to crawl up under
the wire, and they were caught.

541

00:27:38,040 --> 00:27:41,080

And they brought them right
into the appell in the morning

542

00:27:41,080 --> 00:27:45,030

when we had the appell for
counting us, the people.

543

00:27:45,030 --> 00:27:46,830

They hang them
right in the middle.

544

00:27:46,830 --> 00:27:48,960

Everybody should
see what's happened.

545

00:27:48,960 --> 00:27:52,640

And they hanged
them up by the legs

546

00:27:52,640 --> 00:27:56,420

and they were screaming and
swearing they want to be shot,

547

00:27:56,420 --> 00:27:56,920

you know?

548

00:27:56,920 --> 00:27:59,060

They were hanging
up by their legs.

549

00:27:59,060 --> 00:28:01,180

In that they showed us a sample.

550

00:28:01,180 --> 00:28:05,630

If we do run away, that's
what's going to happen to us.

551
00:28:05,630 --> 00:28:08,240
And then a guy who
didn't behave himself,

552
00:28:08,240 --> 00:28:15,316
they showed it at the appell
where we were standing.

553
00:28:15,316 --> 00:28:20,750
They gave him 25, you know,
with a heavy belt over his back,

554
00:28:20,750 --> 00:28:25,430
and some of them couldn't
even make it after that.

555
00:28:25,430 --> 00:28:27,230
The one with the big power.

556
00:28:27,230 --> 00:28:31,250
And of course, there was a guy.

557
00:28:31,250 --> 00:28:34,610
We called him Lalka.

558
00:28:34,610 --> 00:28:37,235
He was-- his face looked like--

559
00:28:37,235 --> 00:28:39,500
Lalka is a doll.

560
00:28:39,500 --> 00:28:42,500
His face was like
a doll, but he was

561
00:28:42,500 --> 00:28:45,700
a murder-- a sadist, this guy.

562
00:28:45,700 --> 00:28:48,493
He went with a-- he had a
German shepherd walking around,

563

00:28:48,493 --> 00:28:50,410

and if he didn't like
how the other guy walks,

564

00:28:50,410 --> 00:28:54,140

he just told the dog
and just tear him apart.

565

00:28:54,140 --> 00:28:57,280

He was just dangerous, this guy.

566

00:28:57,280 --> 00:29:00,150

Just dangerous, this guy.

567

00:29:00,150 --> 00:29:02,440

And at the appell,
there was another guy.

568

00:29:02,440 --> 00:29:06,810

We called him [? Kivi. ?]
His name was not [? Kivi. ?]

569

00:29:06,810 --> 00:29:08,440

We just give him a nickname.

570

00:29:08,440 --> 00:29:11,040

And it looked like a
Jewish typical guy,

571

00:29:11,040 --> 00:29:14,860

you know, the way his nose was
raised and stuff like that.

572

00:29:14,860 --> 00:29:17,910

And he was terrible, that guy.

573

00:29:17,910 --> 00:29:22,290

I think this guy got
killed, this guy.

574

00:29:22,290 --> 00:29:28,530

I found out from the guys
after the war was over.

575
00:29:28,530 --> 00:29:30,540
And there was many
thousand things.

576
00:29:30,540 --> 00:29:31,620
I could not even think.

577
00:29:31,620 --> 00:29:33,910
Maybe if I lay down in
bed and think about it

578
00:29:33,910 --> 00:29:35,490
I can give you twice as much.

579
00:29:35,490 --> 00:29:39,480

580
00:29:39,480 --> 00:29:43,170
Tell me about when you went
back and walked through the camp

581
00:29:43,170 --> 00:29:47,960
and how much you remembered
about where things were.

582
00:29:47,960 --> 00:29:48,590
Back?

583
00:29:48,590 --> 00:29:49,090
What--

584
00:29:49,090 --> 00:29:51,920
Yeah, when you went back
recently in the last 10 years.

585
00:29:51,920 --> 00:29:54,740
Oh yeah, nothing there.

586
00:29:54,740 --> 00:29:55,490

Nothing.

587

00:29:55,490 --> 00:29:59,430

There made a big statue there.

588

00:29:59,430 --> 00:30:05,900

And then where the grave where
they were burning the people,

589

00:30:05,900 --> 00:30:07,940

they put the stones, you know?

590

00:30:07,940 --> 00:30:09,170

Memorial stones.

591

00:30:09,170 --> 00:30:13,850

And pointed out just
Warsaw, my hometown,

592

00:30:13,850 --> 00:30:19,220

all the towns where people came
into Treblinka, every town.

593

00:30:19,220 --> 00:30:22,800

It's just like mushrooms
sit there in a big spot.

594

00:30:22,800 --> 00:30:32,430

And the gas chambers, they
poured asphalt just to make

595

00:30:32,430 --> 00:30:34,050

note this was the gas chambers.

596

00:30:34,050 --> 00:30:35,090

A big line.

597

00:30:35,090 --> 00:30:39,330

But you know, they were the
size of whatever the size

598

00:30:39,330 --> 00:30:43,590

is of the gas chambers.

599
00:30:43,590 --> 00:30:45,510
It's laying on the ground.

600
00:30:45,510 --> 00:30:48,840
They poured asphalt and
they say, this is the--

601
00:30:48,840 --> 00:30:53,890
there was the gas chambers
and this was the size of it.

602
00:30:53,890 --> 00:30:56,620
And the rest,
everything is filled.

603
00:30:56,620 --> 00:30:58,060
Pine trees has grown there.

604
00:30:58,060 --> 00:31:02,830

605
00:31:02,830 --> 00:31:06,650
Did you and other prisoners
talk about getting

606
00:31:06,650 --> 00:31:08,480
even while you were there?

607
00:31:08,480 --> 00:31:11,530
I mean, at night when you
weren't working, was there--

608
00:31:11,530 --> 00:31:12,570
You mean in Treblinka?

609
00:31:12,570 --> 00:31:13,730
Yeah.

610
00:31:13,730 --> 00:31:16,470
Oh yeah, there was

the one appell,

611
00:31:16,470 --> 00:31:20,420
it was right in front of me,
a guy went in and stabbed

612
00:31:20,420 --> 00:31:23,060
that guy who count
the people, and then

613
00:31:23,060 --> 00:31:26,030
they spreading bullets.

614
00:31:26,030 --> 00:31:28,250
And people from the
group, a lot of people

615
00:31:28,250 --> 00:31:31,590
died there too at the same time.

616
00:31:31,590 --> 00:31:34,770
The guy knew he's going
to die so he took revenge,

617
00:31:34,770 --> 00:31:38,370
you know, and stabbed him right
in the back and killed him.

618
00:31:38,370 --> 00:31:41,040
This was during the
time I was there.

619
00:31:41,040 --> 00:31:41,845
I saw it.

620
00:31:41,845 --> 00:31:42,720
It was right in the--

621
00:31:42,720 --> 00:31:46,170
appell means everybody gets
up before they go to work

622

00:31:46,170 --> 00:31:47,940
and they count them
out how many people's

623
00:31:47,940 --> 00:31:50,850
here, how many went
in at night to sleep

624
00:31:50,850 --> 00:31:54,370
and in the morning
if anybody's missing.

625
00:31:54,370 --> 00:31:56,080
They didn't want
nobody to escape there.

626
00:31:56,080 --> 00:31:59,630

627
00:31:59,630 --> 00:32:01,790
So he killed a German?

628
00:32:01,790 --> 00:32:03,300
He killed a German.

629
00:32:03,300 --> 00:32:09,380
And he was shredded from
bullets, that guy who did it.

630
00:32:09,380 --> 00:32:10,100
But he knew it.

631
00:32:10,100 --> 00:32:14,480
He went for revenge then.

632
00:32:14,480 --> 00:32:18,470
Yeah, when I came
in with the train,

633
00:32:18,470 --> 00:32:21,860
there was a lot of people
tried to get out with the train

634

00:32:21,860 --> 00:32:24,190
so they were behind.

635

00:32:24,190 --> 00:32:27,770
They grab-- they try to
go underneath the train.

636

00:32:27,770 --> 00:32:29,660
When the train goes
back out, then they

637

00:32:29,660 --> 00:32:32,210
can run out and escape.

638

00:32:32,210 --> 00:32:34,460
And all of a sudden,
one is going through,

639

00:32:34,460 --> 00:32:37,640
so everybody seeing that,
whoever was capable,

640

00:32:37,640 --> 00:32:39,000
done the same thing.

641

00:32:39,000 --> 00:32:43,430
When the German saw it and
he shoot them right there

642

00:32:43,430 --> 00:32:45,530
underneath, you know,
behind [? grip or ?]

643

00:32:45,530 --> 00:32:48,470
some kind of items that
he can hang on to it,

644

00:32:48,470 --> 00:32:55,990
and the train will go out,
and then he'll try to escape.

645

00:32:55,990 --> 00:32:59,830

People tried to escape when
they were sorting the goods,

646
00:32:59,830 --> 00:33:02,440
you know, the
clothing and packing

647
00:33:02,440 --> 00:33:05,680
during the day into the train.

648
00:33:05,680 --> 00:33:07,960
So a lot of people
got stuffed in--

649
00:33:07,960 --> 00:33:11,410
got inside and they
jumped during the time

650
00:33:11,410 --> 00:33:13,943
that the train was going.

651
00:33:13,943 --> 00:33:15,610
I don't know where
this train was going,

652
00:33:15,610 --> 00:33:18,430
but it was the clothing,
people's clothing.

653
00:33:18,430 --> 00:33:20,830
And they jumped out
through the little window.

654
00:33:20,830 --> 00:33:23,530

655
00:33:23,530 --> 00:33:27,180
All right, we're going to run
out in about five seconds.

656
00:33:27,180 --> 00:33:40,000