

1
00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:03,390
B camera roll setting this
up sync take eight is up,

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00:00:03,390 --> 00:00:05,700
Beverly Hills, California.

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00:00:05,700 --> 00:00:07,770
Continuing interview
with Isadore Helfing.

4
00:00:07,770 --> 00:00:15,080

5
00:00:15,080 --> 00:00:18,470
OK, you can go now.

6
00:00:18,470 --> 00:00:19,490
Start all over again?

7
00:00:19,490 --> 00:00:19,990
No.

8
00:00:19,990 --> 00:00:20,490
No.

9
00:00:20,490 --> 00:00:22,650
Just keep going.

10
00:00:22,650 --> 00:00:28,100
So the men went right
and the women left.

11
00:00:28,100 --> 00:00:30,950
And they had to get undressed.

12
00:00:30,950 --> 00:00:35,660
And they told them, if anyone
has valuable things, gold,

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00:00:35,660 --> 00:00:41,330
to put in this little
basket right there.

14
00:00:41,330 --> 00:00:44,570
And they were guided
right to this rail.

15
00:00:44,570 --> 00:00:51,530
And this was wire fencing,
tall wire fencing.

16
00:00:51,530 --> 00:00:54,040
And the people were pushing
each other right in.

17
00:00:54,040 --> 00:00:59,990
And the Ukrainians
and the Gestapo

18
00:00:59,990 --> 00:01:01,340
were standing right there.

19
00:01:01,340 --> 00:01:03,500
And they pushed
them, chased them

20
00:01:03,500 --> 00:01:06,040
into the-- yeah, the thing.

21
00:01:06,040 --> 00:01:07,260
To the gas chambers.

22
00:01:07,260 --> 00:01:12,200
And here, where the
gas chambers was,

23
00:01:12,200 --> 00:01:15,620
there was another
group of people

24
00:01:15,620 --> 00:01:18,560
take the people out

from the gas chambers

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00:01:18,560 --> 00:01:20,270
and pulling right there.

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00:01:20,270 --> 00:01:27,440
And here was a mass grave
and here was a mass grave.

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00:01:27,440 --> 00:01:30,190
But this was isolated.

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00:01:30,190 --> 00:01:36,140
This part, where they pulled out
the dead bodies through there

29

00:01:36,140 --> 00:01:37,490
was isolated.

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00:01:37,490 --> 00:01:39,200
And here was a big grave.

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00:01:39,200 --> 00:01:41,990
Right in this hand
side was a big grave.

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00:01:41,990 --> 00:01:44,950

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00:01:44,950 --> 00:01:48,050
And in here, when they
went to this grave,

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00:01:48,050 --> 00:01:52,570
there was the gas
chambers was right here.

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00:01:52,570 --> 00:01:54,290
That's the gas chambers.

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00:01:54,290 --> 00:01:59,920
And they got in right

to this big grave here.

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00:01:59,920 --> 00:02:04,910

Now, our barracks was here.

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00:02:04,910 --> 00:02:12,540

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00:02:12,540 --> 00:02:13,950

This was the barracks here.

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00:02:13,950 --> 00:02:16,950

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00:02:16,950 --> 00:02:18,180

Not far away from the graves.

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00:02:18,180 --> 00:02:21,450

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00:02:21,450 --> 00:02:24,060

And here was a kitchen.

44

00:02:24,060 --> 00:02:27,620

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00:02:27,620 --> 00:02:29,270

Here was the
kitchen right there.

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00:02:29,270 --> 00:02:30,860

The kitchen from this side.

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00:02:30,860 --> 00:02:34,785

And here and here was--

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00:02:34,785 --> 00:02:39,820

on both sides was
a German office

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00:02:39,820 --> 00:02:42,320

and sleeping areas right there.

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00:02:42,320 --> 00:02:51,330

51
00:02:51,330 --> 00:02:58,110
And this was all
here, all here filled.

52
00:02:58,110 --> 00:03:04,470
And here was the stable in
here, right exactly here,

53
00:03:04,470 --> 00:03:06,000
was the stable.

54
00:03:06,000 --> 00:03:14,270

55
00:03:14,270 --> 00:03:17,110
Here was the stable
where the horses are.

56
00:03:17,110 --> 00:03:21,060

57
00:03:21,060 --> 00:03:24,560
And that was the whole
Treblinka right there.

58
00:03:24,560 --> 00:03:29,080
What was a bigger amount,
you know, bigger space.

59
00:03:29,080 --> 00:03:30,780
How many gas
chambers were there?

60
00:03:30,780 --> 00:03:31,500
About 14.

61
00:03:31,500 --> 00:03:35,223

62
00:03:35,223 --> 00:03:36,390
Here's all the gas chambers.

63
00:03:36,390 --> 00:03:41,220

64
00:03:41,220 --> 00:03:44,250
And here came right, the
train come from this side.

65
00:03:44,250 --> 00:03:46,110
And they stepped out here.

66
00:03:46,110 --> 00:03:51,960

67
00:03:51,960 --> 00:03:54,870
In here was a-- when
they came down from here,

68
00:03:54,870 --> 00:04:00,390
there was a pile right there
in the middle of dead bodies.

69
00:04:00,390 --> 00:04:06,100

70
00:04:06,100 --> 00:04:08,200
Right here, when you
walked out from the train,

71
00:04:08,200 --> 00:04:09,160
you saw it right there.

72
00:04:09,160 --> 00:04:12,710

73
00:04:12,710 --> 00:04:17,560
This was a barracks right here.

74
00:04:17,560 --> 00:04:19,250
And that's what it's all about.

75
00:04:19,250 --> 00:04:19,750
All right.

76
00:04:19,750 --> 00:04:21,310
Now, let's cut for a minute.

77
00:04:21,310 --> 00:04:27,000

78
00:04:27,000 --> 00:04:28,980
OK.

79
00:04:28,980 --> 00:04:30,750
Yeah.

80
00:04:30,750 --> 00:04:32,940
Talking about Treblinka here.

81
00:04:32,940 --> 00:04:39,150
This was the main gate, the main
gate coming in to Treblinka.

82
00:04:39,150 --> 00:04:44,100
And beside was the railroad
track right over here, running

83
00:04:44,100 --> 00:04:46,640
right through the middle here.

84
00:04:46,640 --> 00:04:48,270
And they stop right behind.

85
00:04:48,270 --> 00:04:51,420
It was a wire fence.

86
00:04:51,420 --> 00:04:56,970
And here was-- they were
guarding, to say, men go right,

87
00:04:56,970 --> 00:04:59,250
the woman goes left.

88
00:04:59,250 --> 00:05:01,870
And right beside,
when I came in,

89
00:05:01,870 --> 00:05:08,340
was a big pile of dead people
sitting right near the big arch

90
00:05:08,340 --> 00:05:12,420
where they says,
woman left, men right.

91
00:05:12,420 --> 00:05:17,440
And right to my right a
little was the barracks.

92
00:05:17,440 --> 00:05:21,780
This was in the beginning, when
they put the barracks there

93
00:05:21,780 --> 00:05:23,115
for the people who just arrived.

94
00:05:23,115 --> 00:05:30,910

95
00:05:30,910 --> 00:05:32,650
Yeah, that's the barrack there.

96
00:05:32,650 --> 00:05:38,560
And here was a big mass grave,
where they put the people

97
00:05:38,560 --> 00:05:40,930
and drive them by
horse and buggy.

98
00:05:40,930 --> 00:05:43,180

And people were
dragging by their hands,

99
00:05:43,180 --> 00:05:48,970
right into this big grave
at the right-hand side.

100
00:05:48,970 --> 00:05:52,180
The gas chambers was
just right, coming out

101
00:05:52,180 --> 00:05:56,980
from that big arch, where it
says woman left, men right.

102
00:05:56,980 --> 00:05:59,560
And they had to get
there undressed.

103
00:05:59,560 --> 00:06:04,120
And they ask, anybody has
gold, to put in a basket there.

104
00:06:04,120 --> 00:06:08,890
And they were driven right
on into the gas chambers

105
00:06:08,890 --> 00:06:10,090
at the left.

106
00:06:10,090 --> 00:06:14,680
And walking right in
to the gas chambers.

107
00:06:14,680 --> 00:06:16,900
And who was slow,
there was a Gestapo

108
00:06:16,900 --> 00:06:23,200
and a Ukrainian just with
a whip and hitting them.

109
00:06:23,200 --> 00:06:28,940

Each one of us pushing
himself to the gas chambers.

110
00:06:28,940 --> 00:06:31,420

So of course, at
the other side, what

111
00:06:31,420 --> 00:06:34,300

it was, they slide
off the doors,

112
00:06:34,300 --> 00:06:38,560

there was a different
group than this one here.

113
00:06:38,560 --> 00:06:42,430

We cannot communicate with them.

114
00:06:42,430 --> 00:06:44,860

Just seeing those
people over the fence.

115
00:06:44,860 --> 00:06:50,750

And they were dragging
the people in to--

116
00:06:50,750 --> 00:06:52,230

drag the people out from.

117
00:06:52,230 --> 00:06:56,230

They come from the big
grave into another grave

118
00:06:56,230 --> 00:06:59,350

on their side where they
were burning the bodies.

119
00:06:59,350 --> 00:07:01,330

And the empty out
the big graves.

120
00:07:01,330 --> 00:07:03,070

And now, all the

transports which

121
00:07:03,070 --> 00:07:05,110
came after that
came right in, they

122
00:07:05,110 --> 00:07:12,875
were thrown in right to the
grave where the fire was.

123
00:07:12,875 --> 00:07:14,330
OK.

124
00:07:14,330 --> 00:07:15,200
End the roll?

125
00:07:15,200 --> 00:07:15,700
Yeah.

126
00:07:15,700 --> 00:07:17,540
Now wait just a minute.

127
00:07:17,540 --> 00:07:20,530
Let's cut.

128
00:07:20,530 --> 00:07:24,040
OK, so start with where
the transports came in.

129
00:07:24,040 --> 00:07:25,360
Again with the transports here?

130
00:07:25,360 --> 00:07:27,610
Yeah.

131
00:07:27,610 --> 00:07:29,290
Go ahead.

132
00:07:29,290 --> 00:07:33,250
Here were the transport, where
the rail track came in, right

133

00:07:33,250 --> 00:07:35,260
here, right in the middle.

134

00:07:35,260 --> 00:07:36,850
And they opened it up the doors.

135

00:07:36,850 --> 00:07:39,790
And they make them walk
straight here where

136

00:07:39,790 --> 00:07:44,290
it says women left, men right.

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00:07:44,290 --> 00:07:49,130
And here on the arch, they said,
you're going to take a shower,

138

00:07:49,130 --> 00:07:50,950
and take your clothes off.

139

00:07:50,950 --> 00:07:51,970
OK.

140

00:07:51,970 --> 00:07:57,235
From the other side,
they were taking off

141

00:07:57,235 --> 00:07:58,360
the clothes and everything.

142

00:07:58,360 --> 00:08:02,530
And they went going right to
the gas chambers right here.

143

00:08:02,530 --> 00:08:07,660
So the men came along, and they
joined together right in here.

144

00:08:07,660 --> 00:08:09,430
And they went into
the gas chambers.

145

00:08:09,430 --> 00:08:14,140

146

00:08:14,140 --> 00:08:19,390

Here was a pile of dead people
sitting there when I got there.

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00:08:19,390 --> 00:08:27,080

Then when I got at night,
so I was in this barracks,

148

00:08:27,080 --> 00:08:29,680

where the new arrivals came.

149

00:08:29,680 --> 00:08:32,230

Some people was
sleeping right there.

150

00:08:32,230 --> 00:08:34,510

Here was also a barrack.

151

00:08:34,510 --> 00:08:37,090

They called it Hofjuden.

152

00:08:37,090 --> 00:08:38,710

I forgot to get this words here.

153

00:08:38,710 --> 00:08:40,210

Hofjudens right there.

154

00:08:40,210 --> 00:08:42,700

And there was the
stable with the horses.

155

00:08:42,700 --> 00:08:46,480

I work most of the time.

156

00:08:46,480 --> 00:08:49,000

And this was the mass grave.

157

00:08:49,000 --> 00:08:51,310

And then came some
kind of a law.

158
00:08:51,310 --> 00:08:53,180
They had to take out
from the mass grave

159
00:08:53,180 --> 00:08:57,550
here, and make a big grave
here, and burn all the bodies.

160
00:08:57,550 --> 00:08:59,770
Took out those bodies before.

161
00:08:59,770 --> 00:09:02,560
And the new arrivals,
they dragged them in right

162
00:09:02,560 --> 00:09:04,855
to the big grave where
they were burning.

163
00:09:04,855 --> 00:09:09,260

164
00:09:09,260 --> 00:09:11,580
See.

165
00:09:11,580 --> 00:09:14,424
Tell me how the gas
chambers worked.

166
00:09:14,424 --> 00:09:17,010
Oh, they got into
the gas chambers.

167
00:09:17,010 --> 00:09:19,710
They pushed the,
in like garages.

168
00:09:19,710 --> 00:09:22,320
It was, I guess, about 14.

169

00:09:22,320 --> 00:09:25,410

And they pushed them
right in, all of them.

170

00:09:25,410 --> 00:09:28,560

Women, men, children,
everybody right in there.

171

00:09:28,560 --> 00:09:31,650

And they closed these
doors, sliding doors.

172

00:09:31,650 --> 00:09:34,200

They closed it and
they gassed them.

173

00:09:34,200 --> 00:09:37,050

So from the other side, there
was another group of people.

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00:09:37,050 --> 00:09:39,390

What the other group
never got contact

175

00:09:39,390 --> 00:09:40,990

with this group of people.

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00:09:40,990 --> 00:09:43,920

So their job was pull
out from the gas chambers

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00:09:43,920 --> 00:09:46,230

and pushing into the mass grave.

178

00:09:46,230 --> 00:09:52,500

179

00:09:52,500 --> 00:09:55,820

Now just hold it still for me.

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00:09:55,820 --> 00:12:55,488