

B camera roll setting this up sync take eight is up, Beverly Hills, California. Continuing interview with Isadore Helfing.

OK, you can go now.

Start all over again?

No.

No.

Just keep going.

So the men went right and the women left. And they had to get undressed. And they told them, if anyone has valuable things, gold, to put in this little basket right there. And they were guided right to this rail. And this was wire fencing, tall wire fencing.

And the people were pushing each other right in. And the Ukrainians and the Gestapo were standing right there. And they pushed them, chased them into the-- yeah, the thing. To the gas chambers. And here, where the gas chambers was, there was another group of people take the people out from the gas chambers and pulling right there.

And here was a mass grave and here was a mass grave. But this was isolated. This part, where they pulled out the dead bodies through there was isolated. And here was a big grave. Right in this hand side was a big grave. And in here, when they went to this grave, there was the gas chambers was right here. That's the gas chambers. And they got in right to this big grave here.

Now, our barracks was here. This was the barracks here. Not far away from the graves. And here was a kitchen. Here was the kitchen right there. The kitchen from this side.

And here and here was-- on both sides was a German office and sleeping areas right there. And this was all here, all here filled.

And here was the stable in here, right exactly here, was the stable. Here was the stable where the horses are. And that was the whole Treblinka right there. What was a bigger amount, you know, bigger space.

How many gas chambers were there?

About 14. Here's all the gas chambers. And here came right, the train come from this side. And they stepped out here. In here was a-- when they came down from here, there was a pile right there in the middle of dead bodies. Right here, when you walked out from the train, you saw it right there. This was a barracks right here. And that's what it's all about.

All right. Now, let's cut for a minute. OK.

Yeah. Talking about Treblinka here. This was the main gate, the main gate coming in to Treblinka. And beside was the railroad track right over here, running right through the middle here. And they stop right behind. It was a wire fence. And here was-- they were guarding, to say, men go right, the woman goes left.

And right beside, when I came in, was a big pile of dead people sitting right near the big arch where they says, woman left, men right. And right to my right a little was the barracks. This was in the beginning, when they put the barracks there for the people who just arrived. Yeah, that's the barrack there.

And here was a big mass grave, where they put the people and drive them by horse and buggy. And people were dragging by their hands, right into this big grave at the right-hand side. The gas chambers was just right, coming out from that big arch, where it says woman left, men right. And they had to get there undressed. And they ask, anybody has

gold, to put in a basket there.

And they were driven right on into the gas chambers at the left. And walking right in to the gas chambers. And who was slow, there was a Gestapo and a Ukrainian just with a whip and hitting them. Each one of us pushing himself to the gas chambers.

So of course, at the other side, what it was, they slide off the doors, there was a different group than this one here. We cannot communicate with them. Just seeing those people over the fence. And they were dragging the people in to-- drag the people out from.

They come from the big grave into another grave on their side where they were burning the bodies. And the empty out the big graves. And now, all the transports which came after that came right in, they were thrown in right to the grave where the fire was.

OK.

End the roll?

Yeah. Now wait just a minute. Let's cut. OK, so start with where the transports came in.

Again with the transports here?

Yeah. Go ahead.

Here were the transport, where the rail track came in, right here, right in the middle. And they opened it up the doors. And they make them walk straight here where it says women left, men right. And here on the arch, they said, you're going to take a shower, and take your clothes off.

OK. From the other side, they were taking off the clothes and everything. And they went going right to the gas chambers right here. So the men came along, and they joined together right in here. And they went into the gas chambers.

Here was a pile of dead people sitting there when I got there. Then when I got at night, so I was in this barracks, where the new arrivals came. Some people was sleeping right there. Here was also a barrack. They called it Hofjuden. I forgot to get this words here. Hofjudens right there.

And there was the stable with the horses. I work most of the time. And this was the mass grave. And then came some kind of a law. They had to take out from the mass grave here, and make a big grave here, and burn all the bodies. Took out those bodies before. And the new arrivals, they dragged them in right to the big grave where they were burning. See.

Tell me how the gas chambers worked. Oh, they got into the gas chambers. They pushed the, in like garages. It was, I guess, about 14. And they pushed them right in, all of them. Women, men, children, everybody right in there. And they closed these doors, sliding doors. They closed it and they gassed them.

So from the other side, there was another group of people. What the other group never got contact with this group of people. So their job was pull out from the gas chambers and pushing into the mass grave.

Now just hold it still for me.