00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:06,680 00:00:06,680 --> 00:00:10,310 The following is an interview with Nathan Kalman. 00:00:10,310 --> 00:00:13,760 The interview is being conducted on behalf of the United States 00:00:13,760 --> 00:00:17,570 Holocaust Memorial Museum, and is taking place 5 00:00:17,570 --> 00:00:22,940 in Rockville, Maryland on November 4, 1993 6 00:00:22,940 --> 00:00:23,810 by Gail Schwartz. 00:00:23,810 --> 00:00:30,402 00:00:30,402 --> 00:00:30,902 Ready. 00:00:30,902 --> 00:00:35,740 10 00:00:35,740 --> 00:00:38,470 What is your full name? 11 00:00:38,470 --> 00:00:41,740 Nathan Kalmonowitz. 12 00:00:41,740 --> 00:00:43,990 And where were you born? 13

00:00:43,990 --> 00:00:45,430

Łódź, Poland.

14 00:00:45,430 --> 00:00:47,450 And what year were you born?

15 00:00:47,450 --> 00:00:49,510 In 1909.

16 00:00:49,510 --> 00:00:51,630 And what was the date?

17 00:00:51,630 --> 00:00:52,741 5th-- October 5th.

18 00:00:52,741 --> 00:00:55,390

19 00:00:55,390 --> 00:00:59,940 No, you have [? this right. ?]

20 00:00:59,940 --> 00:01:02,700 Let's talk a little bit about your childhood.

21 00:01:02,700 --> 00:01:04,870 Who was in your family?

22 00:01:04,870 --> 00:01:07,640 Tell me about your parents, your parents' names.

23 00:01:07,640 --> 00:01:13,350

24 00:01:13,350 --> 00:01:15,085 I can't talk.

25 00:01:15,085 --> 00:01:19,585 When I'm talking about childhood, parents,

26 00:01:19,585 --> 00:01:21,900 it's very-- very choking me.

27 00:01:21,900 --> 00:01:23,760 Did you live in the city?

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00:01:23,760 --> 00:01:27,760 Yes, in the center of the city.

00:01:27,760 --> 00:01:28,260 Uh-huh.

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00:01:28,260 --> 00:01:32,317 And what kind of schooling did you have?

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00:01:32,317 --> 00:01:33,150 What kind of school?

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00:01:33,150 --> 00:01:38,600 I had a private school, like an everyday school.

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00:01:38,600 --> 00:01:42,470 It was a school with [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:01:42,470 --> 00:01:47,246 Half day school is religions and half like a school.

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00:01:47,246 --> 00:01:50,350 But my father didn't like me to go that's in the --

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00:01:50,350 --> 00:01:55,590 to be without a hat, Kippah, you know?

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00:01:55,590 --> 00:01:56,730 And so on.

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00:01:56,730 --> 00:02:04,330 So he tried to keep me on this Hebrew day school.

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00:02:04,330 --> 00:02:06,115 So you changed schools?

40 00:02:06,115 --> 00:02:07,240 Is that what you're saying? 00:02:07,240 --> 00:02:08,060 No, no. 42 00:02:08,060 --> 00:02:09,460 You first went to a public school 43 00:02:09,460 --> 00:02:10,919 with other Polish children? 44 00:02:10,919 --> 00:02:15,070 It's happened once, yes, something from the Inspektorat came, and I had to leave. 46 So I had very big trouble.

00:02:15,070 --> 00:02:16,455

00:02:16,455 --> 00:02:18,650

47 00:02:18,650 --> 00:02:23,190 I had payos Not so big, but the children,

00:02:23,190 --> 00:02:27,910 they was pinching and attacking, hey, Hasid, Hasid, and so on.

00:02:27,910 --> 00:02:33,850 So I tried the best to leave there and go back to the school

00:02:33,850 --> 00:02:35,240 where I was.

51 00:02:35,240 --> 00:02:38,040 It was very hard to do it, because this

52 00:02:38,040 --> 00:02:40,870 was on the inspector--

53 00:02:40,870 --> 00:02:45,490 from buildings inspector, this building.

54 00:02:45,490 --> 00:02:48,820 You see, he wasn't--

55 00:02:48,820 --> 00:02:53,170 all the schools, all the schools was under his supervision.

56 00:02:53,170 --> 00:02:54,620 - He was like a superintendent.

57 00:02:54,620 --> 00:02:55,120 Yeah.

58 00:02:55,120 --> 00:02:56,080 Like a superintendent.

59 00:02:56,080 --> 00:02:56,580 Yeah.

60 00:02:56,580 --> 00:02:59,360

61 00:02:59,360 --> 00:03:02,130 What kind of neighborhood did you live in?

62 00:03:02,130 --> 00:03:06,650 Mixed, Poles and Jews, but there was some more Jews, I think.

63 00:03:06,650 --> 00:03:09,430 It was a nice neighborhood.

64 00:03:09,430 --> 00:03:12,590 I was there till the end, when then they came to the door,

65 00:03:12,590 --> 00:03:16,180 behind the shotgun. 66 00:03:16,180 --> 00:03:18,770 [NON-ENGLISH]

67 00:03:18,770 --> 00:03:22,250 So what else did you do besides go to school

68 00:03:22,250 --> 00:03:23,960 when you were a child?

69 00:03:23,960 --> 00:03:26,880 What kind of things did you do?

70 00:03:26,880 --> 00:03:31,070 Not too much, because I saw it was a harder life in Poland.

71 00:03:31,070 --> 00:03:34,150 It was a little harder in America.

72 00:03:34,150 --> 00:03:35,105 Father works hard.

73 00:03:35,105 --> 00:03:36,950 Mom helped him.

74 00:03:36,950 --> 00:03:40,730 So I feel I have to come home and help.

75 00:03:40,730 --> 00:03:42,090 I quit the school.

76 00:03:42,090 --> 00:03:42,760 I finished.

77 00:03:42,760 --> 00:03:43,750 I finished the school.

78 00:03:43,750 --> 00:03:45,760 How old were you when you finished school?

79 00:03:45,760 --> 00:03:47,390 16 years. 80 00:03:47,390 --> 00:03:48,420 You were 16 years old? 81 00:03:48,420 --> 00:03:48,920 Yeah. 82 00:03:48,920 --> 00:03:49,850 Yeah. 83 00:03:49,850 --> 00:03:53,380 And then, well, did you have any brothers or sisters? 84 00:03:53,380 --> 00:03:56,570 Oh, was five brothers and sisters. 85 00:03:56,570 --> 00:03:57,830 Uh-huh. 86 00:03:57,830 --> 00:04:01,370 And where were you in the order of children? 87 00:04:01,370 --> 00:04:02,870 I'm the youngest one. 88 00:04:02,870 --> 00:04:05,760 I [INAUDIBLE] from [INAUDIBLE]. 00:04:05,760 --> 00:04:07,280 Yeah. 90 00:04:07,280 --> 00:04:11,300 And so then you stopped going to school at 16.

00:04:11,300 --> 00:04:11,800

Yes.

92 00:04:11,800 --> 00:04:12,350 93 00:04:12,350 --> 00:04:14,600 And then you said you started to work for your father? 00:04:14,600 --> 00:04:17,310 Yes, helped out at home to make easier life. 00:04:17,310 --> 00:04:19,220 What kind of--96 00:04:19,220 --> 00:04:20,480 We had--97 00:04:20,480 --> 00:04:22,550 --work did your father do? 98 00:04:22,550 --> 00:04:25,630 In the beginning, he was manufacturing 99 00:04:25,630 --> 00:04:31,820 in a small amount, manufactured textile. 100 00:04:31,820 --> 00:04:33,710 But later on the time was changing, 101 00:04:33,710 --> 00:04:36,020 and Poland was the hard life. 00:04:36,020 --> 00:04:38,690 Very hard, very hard. 103 00:04:38,690 --> 00:04:44,240 So he went to work for

somebody on this job. 104 00:04:44,240 --> 00:04:48,188

So we had to try the best

to hold up the family.

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00:04:48,188 --> 00:04:49,820 Mm-hmm, mm-hmm.

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00:04:49,820 --> 00:04:52,255 Did you live near your grandparents,

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00:04:52,255 --> 00:04:53,480 and aunts and uncles?

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00:04:53,480 --> 00:04:56,015 Did you have more relatives, other relatives?

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00:04:56,015 --> 00:04:57,740 Yes, some, some of them was--

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00:04:57,740 --> 00:04:58,952 one of us from [PLACE NAME].

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00:04:58,952 --> 00:04:59,530 Like I said.

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00:04:59,530 --> 00:05:02,150

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00:05:02,150 --> 00:05:06,260 In Łódź, was also a couple of cousins and so on.

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00:05:06,260 --> 00:05:07,310 Yes.

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00:05:07,310 --> 00:05:10,130 And you said you came from a very religious family.

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00:05:10,130 --> 00:05:11,560 Yes.

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00:05:11,560 --> 00:05:12,210 Very observant.

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00:05:12,210 --> 00:05:12,740 Hasidic.

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00:05:12,740 --> 00:05:14,310 Very-- a Hasidic family.

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00:05:14,310 --> 00:05:15,235 Hasidic.

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00:05:15,235 --> 00:05:22,910 It was not fanatic, but a very intelligent, knowledge

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00:05:22,910 --> 00:05:23,720 man also.

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00:05:23,720 --> 00:05:26,530

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00:05:26,530 --> 00:05:28,360 And were your friends when you were

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00:05:28,360 --> 00:05:31,590 a child, were your friends only Jewish children?

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00:05:31,590 --> 00:05:33,460 Mostly, yes.

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00:05:33,460 --> 00:05:37,265 I had no feeling for Jewish friends.

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00:05:37,265 --> 00:05:40,420 Later on, I start to come in the Zionist organization.

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00:05:40,420 --> 00:05:41,530 I came in.

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00:05:41,530 --> 00:05:43,525 This time I met Hannah.

131 00:05:43,525 --> 00:05:45,310 So God bless her.

132 00:05:45,310 --> 00:05:47,540 In Zionist organization.

133 00:05:47,540 --> 00:05:48,118 Yeah, yeah.

134 00:05:48,118 --> 00:05:52,030

135 00:05:52,030 --> 00:05:54,520 So you stayed in the same house from the time

136 00:05:54,520 --> 00:05:56,560 you were born to the time you were 16?

137 00:05:56,560 --> 00:05:58,450 Almost, almost the same place.

138 00:05:58,450 --> 00:06:02,860 I was born a few houses in the corner.

139 00:06:02,860 --> 00:06:08,710 Then I remember like I helped the moving.

140 00:06:08,710 --> 00:06:10,910 How old were you then?

141 00:06:10,910 --> 00:06:15,610 I was then very young, 12, 13 years.

142 00:06:15,610 --> 00:06:18,670 I was less than this, but I helped out.

143 00:06:18,670 --> 00:06:21,151 I stood to help all the time.

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00:06:21,151 --> 00:06:23,440 Mm-hmm.

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00:06:23,440 --> 00:06:27,550 And you said you remembered some of these anti-Semitic incidents

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00:06:27,550 --> 00:06:29,280 as a child, being teased.

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00:06:29,280 --> 00:06:30,280 Yes, as a child.

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00:06:30,280 --> 00:06:35,320 As a child, many times I was leaving.

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00:06:35,320 --> 00:06:36,680 They beat me up.

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00:06:36,680 --> 00:06:37,950 I was with blood.

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00:06:37,950 --> 00:06:42,410 I remember like the [? stitches. ?] [INAUDIBLE]

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00:06:42,410 --> 00:06:44,925
I remember the time like it was there.

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00:06:44,925 --> 00:06:47,180 It was evening.

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00:06:47,180 --> 00:06:48,380 Yeah, yeah.

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00:06:48,380 --> 00:06:53,620 He came by with somebody and hit me with something or what.

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00:06:53,620 --> 00:06:58,070

And I start yelling very, very loud.

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00:06:58,070 --> 00:07:01,900 Came a [NON- ENGLISH].

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00:07:01,900 --> 00:07:04,020 Came up a policeman.

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00:07:04,020 --> 00:07:05,550 And he came.

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00:07:05,550 --> 00:07:10,150 [NON-ENGLISH] This means, what's the thing?

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00:07:10,150 --> 00:07:12,340 Moishe is not killed.

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00:07:12,340 --> 00:07:13,866 What's happened?

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00:07:13,866 --> 00:07:14,620 Went away.

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00:07:14,620 --> 00:07:15,640 That's it.

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00:07:15,640 --> 00:07:18,170 Many, many times it was like this.

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00:07:18,170 --> 00:07:25,610 I went-- once I was going in the Christian [? pages. ?]

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00:07:25,610 --> 00:07:29,920 In the stores, we had paper for paper and things.

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00:07:29,920 --> 00:07:30,700 Stationary.

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00:07:30,700 --> 00:07:33,010

Stationary and things.

170 00:07:33,010 --> 00:07:38,665 So I went, and my father, and the oldest brother.

171 00:07:38,665 --> 00:07:44,470 It was Constantine [PERSONAL NAME] was the name.

172 00:07:44,470 --> 00:07:47,200 Now I remember.

173 00:07:47,200 --> 00:07:53,080 I saw coming up three hooligans.

174 00:07:53,080 --> 00:07:56,360 We saw them coming to us.

175 00:07:56,360 --> 00:08:00,250 And they start knocking me and my father.

176 00:08:00,250 --> 00:08:01,910 My father starting yelling.

177 00:08:01,910 --> 00:08:05,860 He was how you say [NON-ENGLISH]..

178 00:08:05,860 --> 00:08:07,330 He couldn't talk.

179 00:08:07,330 --> 00:08:08,670 Speechless.

180 00:08:08,670 --> 00:08:09,460 Yeah.

181 00:08:09,460 --> 00:08:11,530 But nothing doing.

182 00:08:11,530 --> 00:08:13,270 No, it was no police. 183

00:08:13,270 --> 00:08:14,040 Nobody comes.

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00:08:14,040 --> 00:08:14,740 It's over.

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00:08:14,740 --> 00:08:18,070 There was many, many things like this in Poland.

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00:08:18,070 --> 00:08:23,000 It wasn't news some Jews had some hits--

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00:08:23,000 --> 00:08:24,640 was hit.

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00:08:24,640 --> 00:08:26,520 Yeah?

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00:08:26,520 --> 00:08:27,730 OK.

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00:08:27,730 --> 00:08:29,790 Let's move along a little bit, then.

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00:08:29,790 --> 00:08:32,390 And you said when you were 16 you left school.

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00:08:32,390 --> 00:08:32,890 Yeah.

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00:08:32,890 --> 00:08:34,590 And you went to work for your father.

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00:08:34,590 --> 00:08:35,320 Yeah.

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00:08:35,320 --> 00:08:37,659

And for the next

three or four years,

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00:08:37,659 --> 00:08:39,669 what do you remember

of that time?

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00:08:39,669 --> 00:08:41,380

Anything special?

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00:08:41,380 --> 00:08:42,860

Not special.

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00:08:42,860 --> 00:08:45,040

Then I took over -- like I said.

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00:08:45,040 --> 00:08:47,590

I went to the

Zionist organization.

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00:08:47,590 --> 00:08:48,410

When was that?

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00:08:48,410 --> 00:08:50,118

Do you remember what

year, approximately?

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00:08:50,118 --> 00:08:54,880

This was in 1930,

something like this.

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00:08:54,880 --> 00:08:56,320

OK.

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00:08:56,320 --> 00:08:56,900

Uh-huh.

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00:08:56,900 --> 00:08:57,400

Yeah.

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00:08:57,400 --> 00:08:59,710

And what did you do for them?

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00:08:59,710 --> 00:09:00,670

Like an organization.

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00:09:00,670 --> 00:09:01,750 You know, I start--

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00:09:01,750 --> 00:09:06,076 I loved Israel from being a little boy.

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00:09:06,076 --> 00:09:08,050 Mm-hmm.

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00:09:08,050 --> 00:09:13,060 So even a little later on, 1934 or five,

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00:09:13,060 --> 00:09:17,044 I went to Krakow for kibbutz Hachshara

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00:09:17,044 --> 00:09:18,430 Mm-hmm.

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00:09:18,430 --> 00:09:20,770 But at this point you were still working for your father

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00:09:20,770 --> 00:09:21,535 and doing this--

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00:09:21,535 --> 00:09:24,670 It was really hard for me, very hard for me to leave home.

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00:09:24,670 --> 00:09:29,960 Because I went to the Poles, they said to me in Polish--

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00:09:29,960 --> 00:09:34,282 I know, I know in Poland, you're have a krimka.

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00:09:34,282 --> 00:09:35,240 Krimka was the Jewish--

00:09:35,240 --> 00:09:37,615 Yiddish-- [NON-ENGLISH], this --

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00:09:37,615 --> 00:09:41,290 And here when you come, you're wearing different way.

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00:09:41,290 --> 00:09:46,120 This is nothing, but I came wearing this [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:09:46,120 --> 00:09:49,465 I went in very, very Christian region.

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00:09:49,465 --> 00:09:51,090 This is in Krakow you're talking about?

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00:09:51,090 --> 00:09:51,590 No, no, no.

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00:09:51,590 --> 00:09:52,600 This is in Łódź,.

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00:09:52,600 --> 00:09:53,260 Oh.

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00:09:53,260 --> 00:09:56,770 Out of Łódź, was a little bit Constantine, in a way.

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00:09:56,770 --> 00:09:58,620 Oh, uh-huh.

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00:09:58,620 --> 00:10:02,380 But when I went to Krakow, it was very hard decision,

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00:10:02,380 --> 00:10:03,340 very hard decision.

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00:10:03,340 --> 00:10:04,880 You moved to Krakow.

234 00:10:04,880 --> 00:10:04,960 Is that what you're saying? 235 00:10:04,960 --> 00:10:05,470 No, no, no. 236 00:10:05,470 --> 00:10:06,300 You just went to--237 00:10:06,300 --> 00:10:08,060 I went in Kibbutz Hachshara. 238 00:10:08,060 --> 00:10:08,560 239 00:10:08,560 --> 00:10:09,940 Only me. 240 00:10:09,940 --> 00:10:14,050 And I worked on myself very hard to say that-- to say this, 241 00:10:14,050 --> 00:10:16,000 yes, I'm going. 242

00:10:16,000 --> 00:10:19,330 I remember Mom [NON-ENGLISH].

243 00:10:19,330 --> 00:10:22,710 She said the same thing.

244 00:10:22,710 --> 00:10:26,570 He was such a lover for [INAUDIBLE]..

245 00:10:26,570 --> 00:10:29,090 He said, go, go.

246 00:10:29,090 --> 00:10:30,670 [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]

247 00:10:30,670 --> 00:10:35,278 248 00:10:35,278 --> 00:10:37,096 [CRYING]

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00:10:37,096 --> 00:10:39,380

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00:10:39,380 --> 00:10:41,360 So then you went to Krakow.

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00:10:41,360 --> 00:10:44,990 Yes, and I was there almost a year ago, but I make it fast,

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00:10:44,990 --> 00:10:46,745 should be longer than this.

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00:10:46,745 --> 00:10:49,610 But I had-- I was there, and my head was at home.

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00:10:49,610 --> 00:10:51,290 Right.

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00:10:51,290 --> 00:10:53,370 My sister Hinda write me a letter.

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00:10:53,370 --> 00:10:56,450 And she said, "Oh, the Polish was --

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00:10:56,450 --> 00:11:01,940 if you would see how our parents working hard."

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00:11:01,940 --> 00:11:05,360 I went to the Christians, and I was with them

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00:11:05,360 --> 00:11:09,890 good for the Christmas time.

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00:11:09,890 --> 00:11:11,390

I gave them presents and things.

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00:11:11,390 --> 00:11:12,800 It was good.

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00:11:12,800 --> 00:11:16,028 Good turn [? out. ?]

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00:11:16,028 --> 00:11:19,920 But my head was at home.

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00:11:19,920 --> 00:11:20,900 So I came home for--

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00:11:20,900 --> 00:11:25,230 I made for like the Jewish vacation.

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00:11:25,230 --> 00:11:26,980 I was stood three months at home.

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00:11:26,980 --> 00:11:27,886 Mm-hmm.

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00:11:27,886 --> 00:11:33,220 And then I went back, because I liked to finish up.

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00:11:33,220 --> 00:11:35,738 It was '35.

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00:11:35,738 --> 00:11:38,060 OK.

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00:11:38,060 --> 00:11:40,340 And then came in some political.

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00:11:40,340 --> 00:11:44,850 Always politic in the kibbutz came also in politic.

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00:11:44,850 --> 00:11:49,280 And the kibbutz has to be closed.

274 00:11:49,280 --> 00:11:52,140 So closed, I went home without work,

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00:11:52,140 --> 00:11:58,610 me and another friend was there with me together from Łódź,.

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00:11:58,610 --> 00:12:00,360 You went back to Łódź, with your friend.

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00:12:00,360 --> 00:12:00,860 Yeah.

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00:12:00,860 --> 00:12:02,640 What did you do there?

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00:12:02,640 --> 00:12:03,980 Well, I started working at home.

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00:12:03,980 --> 00:12:06,660 When I came home, I started working right away.

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00:12:06,660 --> 00:12:09,630 Yes, this was my goal.

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00:12:09,630 --> 00:12:12,130 Mm-hmm.

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00:12:12,130 --> 00:12:12,930 And then?

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00:12:12,930 --> 00:12:16,810 And from [INAUDIBLE] questions was nothing.

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00:12:16,810 --> 00:12:19,390 It was another year, another year.

00:12:19,390 --> 00:12:23,490 Then came the war, was everything like salt, salt--

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00:12:23,490 --> 00:12:25,471 salt and water.

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00:12:25,471 --> 00:12:30,200 Well, this one was the worsest thing when ti came.

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00:12:30,200 --> 00:12:33,600 OK, so you went back, and you stayed with your family

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00:12:33,600 --> 00:12:35,130 until the war started.

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00:12:35,130 --> 00:12:36,360 Yes, yes.

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00:12:36,360 --> 00:12:37,380

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00:12:37,380 --> 00:12:41,190 Can you-- what do you remember about the war starting?

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00:12:41,190 --> 00:12:42,970 What were your first memories?

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00:12:42,970 --> 00:12:44,440 Yes, I remember it very well.

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00:12:44,440 --> 00:12:45,160 OK.

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00:12:45,160 --> 00:12:47,090 Very well.

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00:12:47,090 --> 00:12:51,710 It was first day of war, I remember, Friday, 1939,

00:12:51,710 --> 00:12:54,480 the first September.

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00:12:54,480 --> 00:12:56,744 Came big tragedy for us.

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00:12:56,744 --> 00:13:01,850

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00:13:01,850 --> 00:13:03,610 But nothing was to do.

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00:13:03,610 --> 00:13:07,480 We was lucky the town, Hitler picked Łódź,

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00:13:07,480 --> 00:13:11,730 as a Stadt Reich Deutschland.

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00:13:11,730 --> 00:13:14,510 Stadtreich a little later on he made it.

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00:13:14,510 --> 00:13:19,590 But very shortly, two months, two or three months later.

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00:13:19,590 --> 00:13:23,000 In the meantime, it was very bad time.

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00:13:23,000 --> 00:13:27,650 Such impossible to stand.

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00:13:27,650 --> 00:13:28,520 I don't know.

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00:13:28,520 --> 00:13:32,030 I was the weakest one at home, the weakest one, the youngest

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00:13:32,030 --> 00:13:32,990 one.

00:13:32,990 --> 00:13:36,890 How I came by this other thing, I was put on the wall

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00:13:36,890 --> 00:13:39,260 to be shot exactly.

314

00:13:39,260 --> 00:13:40,700 What happened the very first day?

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00:13:40,700 --> 00:13:42,072 Do you remember September 1st?

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00:13:42,072 --> 00:13:43,030 What happened that day?

317

00:13:43,030 --> 00:13:44,900 I called up my older sister.

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00:13:44,900 --> 00:13:51,230 She had a Łódź, Koska three, the Main Street.

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00:13:51,230 --> 00:13:56,005 He was at a saloon, he had.

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00:13:56,005 --> 00:14:04,250 How you say it, makes it--

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00:14:04,250 --> 00:14:06,660 [WHISPERING]

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00:14:06,660 --> 00:14:08,220 And this was over.

323

00:14:08,220 --> 00:14:10,230 It was before.

324

00:14:10,230 --> 00:14:11,420 We did not know.

325

00:14:11,420 --> 00:14:15,510

The landlord was

a admitted Nazi.

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00:14:15,510 --> 00:14:17,950 A admitted Nazi man.

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00:14:17,950 --> 00:14:19,580 And the war broke out.

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00:14:19,580 --> 00:14:23,840 It's the second day or the third day of this tragedy.

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00:14:23,840 --> 00:14:28,520 He sent in a letter, "eight days you have to leave.

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00:14:28,520 --> 00:14:31,550 The keys has to be in the Gestapo."

331

00:14:31,550 --> 00:14:34,680 It was just something to avoid.

332

00:14:34,680 --> 00:14:38,170 This is the landlord of your family?

333

00:14:38,170 --> 00:14:39,318 No, no, this was the--

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00:14:39,318 --> 00:14:40,110 Of the beauty shop.

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00:14:40,110 --> 00:14:41,270 Of the beauty shop.

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00:14:41,270 --> 00:14:41,920 My sister's--

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00:14:41,920 --> 00:14:42,150 Your sister's.

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00:14:42,150 --> 00:14:43,760 My older sister,

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she lived there.

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00:14:43,760 --> 00:14:45,570 She had a very big--

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00:14:45,570 --> 00:14:47,125

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00:14:47,125 --> 00:14:52,730 [? Storefront. ?] And to do it also was placed there.

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00:14:52,730 --> 00:14:54,480 A nice, nice woman.

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00:14:54,480 --> 00:14:56,940 She had two lovely children, such--

344

00:14:56,940 --> 00:15:00,600 I don't know where they got killed now.

345

00:15:00,600 --> 00:15:01,980 Yeah.

346

00:15:01,980 --> 00:15:05,710 OK, so it's the first week in September, and--

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00:15:05,710 --> 00:15:07,200 First days, first days.

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00:15:07,200 --> 00:15:07,700 First day.

349

00:15:07,700 --> 00:15:09,030 Yes.

350

00:15:09,030 --> 00:15:11,190 So I called her up.

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00:15:11,190 --> 00:15:14,870 We didn't know what

to say and how to act.

352 00:15:14,870 --> 00:15:17,080 I said, come over, let's be together.

353

00:15:17,080 --> 00:15:18,830 [INAUDIBLE] tomorrow.

354

00:15:18,830 --> 00:15:22,120

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00:15:22,120 --> 00:15:22,620 I'm sorry.

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00:15:22,620 --> 00:15:24,590 I'm talking about this thing.

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00:15:24,590 --> 00:15:25,450 I'm choking.

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00:15:25,450 --> 00:15:30,810

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00:15:30,810 --> 00:15:37,250 So and came day after day, the troubles,

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00:15:37,250 --> 00:15:41,240 the tragedy was growing more and more and more.

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00:15:41,240 --> 00:15:42,870 they start-- they start--

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00:15:42,870 --> 00:15:47,060 I remember like it would be now, my sister, the oldest came up,

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00:15:47,060 --> 00:15:47,820 and she--

364

00:15:47,820 --> 00:15:49,830

"Dajczeszil brennt!"

365 00:15:49,830 --> 00:15:53,667 This was the-- over there was once--

366

00:15:53,667 --> 00:15:54,500 there was something.

367

00:15:54,500 --> 00:15:56,810 It wasn't in the paper in Europe.

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00:15:56,810 --> 00:16:01,060 The Dajczeszil was called, very reformed.

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00:16:01,060 --> 00:16:07,760 They brought some gasoline or what.

370

00:16:07,760 --> 00:16:12,440 And they were staying and making different jokes and things.

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00:16:12,440 --> 00:16:14,070 And this was burning, burning, burning.

372

00:16:14,070 --> 00:16:17,130 So this was the first one, but in Łódź, was many,

373

00:16:17,130 --> 00:16:18,650 many synagogues.

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00:16:18,650 --> 00:16:21,900 And all of them got-- one by one, one by one.

375

00:16:21,900 --> 00:16:25,220 When I came back after the war, I went.

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00:16:25,220 --> 00:16:30,350

I was going to meet

somebody from the family.

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00:16:30,350 --> 00:16:33,570

I was lived at the

Polonjewa 60 was the name

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00:16:33,570 --> 00:16:36,740

[INAUDIBLE] Polonjewa.

379

00:16:36,740 --> 00:16:39,590

Over there was-- they made

from a little synagogue was

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00:16:39,590 --> 00:16:43,100

they made some place.

381

00:16:43,100 --> 00:16:45,770

Salt they keep there or what.

382

00:16:45,770 --> 00:16:48,080

This, this was not destroyed.

383

00:16:48,080 --> 00:16:51,020

This was the one in Łódź,.

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00:16:51,020 --> 00:16:54,080

The whole Łódź, synagogues how --

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00:16:54,080 --> 00:16:57,002

Was one-- [PLACE NAME],,

it was called.

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00:16:57,002 --> 00:17:00,220

It was something, what

the talk about it.

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00:17:00,220 --> 00:17:01,660

And this was burned.

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00:17:01,660 --> 00:17:07,490

And they were standing

around and making the --

00:17:07,490 --> 00:17:12,079 till this was the ground, everything.

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00:17:12,079 --> 00:17:15,410 And the trouble was such, where they--

391

00:17:15,410 --> 00:17:17,920 each day after day, you had, how you

392

00:17:17,920 --> 00:17:23,109 say, all this, on the streets, on paper, written all this.

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00:17:23,109 --> 00:17:23,930 Like what?

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00:17:23,930 --> 00:17:25,010 Against Jews.

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00:17:25,010 --> 00:17:25,790 Saying what?

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00:17:25,790 --> 00:17:29,000 This one not to go after 5.

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00:17:29,000 --> 00:17:30,460 We can go till 5.

398

00:17:30,460 --> 00:17:36,870 After 5, somebody will go out in the city, is a bullet in head.

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00:17:36,870 --> 00:17:38,730 This was so.

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00:17:38,730 --> 00:17:46,000 But in the meantime, it is now, she

401

00:17:46,000 --> 00:17:50,700 remembered-- she was from Novorobinsk.

402 00:17:50,700 --> 00:17:57,280 And this was like a resort or close to it--

403 00:17:57,280 --> 00:18:03,490 [PLACE NAME] People came there for summer, summer resort.

404 00:18:03,490 --> 00:18:06,990 And she was remembered for 1940, the Germans

405 00:18:06,990 --> 00:18:10,870 was very different than there.

406 00:18:10,870 --> 00:18:13,590 Mom went back and forth.

407 00:18:13,590 --> 00:18:18,522 She smuggled to help to keep up the family.

408 00:18:18,522 --> 00:18:20,230 This is your mother you're talking about?

409 00:18:20,230 --> 00:18:20,500 Yeah.

410 00:18:20,500 --> 00:18:21,190 Yeah.

411 00:18:21,190 --> 00:18:23,860 She went-- she--

412 00:18:23,860 --> 00:18:26,300 1 o'clock in the morning she came.

413 00:18:26,300 --> 00:18:32,280 And 6 o'clock in the morning she went to another train 00:18:32,280 --> 00:18:33,180 again to go back.

415

00:18:33,180 --> 00:18:35,820 Because she brought things, stuff over there.

416

00:18:35,820 --> 00:18:37,560 And she had work over there.

417

00:18:37,560 --> 00:18:39,070 She was very handy, God bless--

418

00:18:39,070 --> 00:18:40,620 God bless her.

419

00:18:40,620 --> 00:18:46,520 Who knows where she's- she's [CRYING]

420

00:18:46,520 --> 00:18:50,270 So are we still-- are we still in the first week of the war?

421

00:18:50,270 --> 00:18:51,865 No, this was a little later.

422

00:18:51,865 --> 00:18:52,490 A little later.

423

00:18:52,490 --> 00:18:53,920 This was some-- a month.

424

00:18:53,920 --> 00:18:54,830 A month, yeah.

425

00:18:54,830 --> 00:18:58,610 Or six weeks, something like this.

426

00:18:58,610 --> 00:19:01,790 I had my--

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00:19:01,790 --> 00:19:04,910

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I had married [PERSONAL NAME].
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00:19:04,910 --> 00:19:10,760 In 1939, January 1931--

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00:19:10,760 --> 00:19:15,980 19th is-- January, 1st, 1939--

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00:19:15,980 --> 00:19:16,630 '8.

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00:19:16,630 --> 00:19:17,480 When was the war?

432

00:19:17,480 --> 00:19:18,090 No, '9.

433

00:19:18,090 --> 00:19:18,640 1939.

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00:19:18,640 --> 00:19:21,770 1939.

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00:19:21,770 --> 00:19:24,740 So and I had a brother.

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00:19:24,740 --> 00:19:25,720 He's died.

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00:19:25,720 --> 00:19:31,040 He and the father from the whole family, I buried them.

438

00:19:31,040 --> 00:19:34,940 He was a very good carpenter.

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00:19:34,940 --> 00:19:36,140 What was his name?

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00:19:36,140 --> 00:19:37,540 David, Yacob David.

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00:19:37,540 --> 00:19:41,260

442 00:19:41,260 --> 00:19:43,340 And he was a premier--

443

00:19:43,340 --> 00:19:48,090 a very good carpenter.

444

00:19:48,090 --> 00:19:51,780 He made for me furnitures.

445

00:19:51,780 --> 00:19:55,200 Like I didn't need the--

446

00:19:55,200 --> 00:19:58,910 how you say--

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00:19:58,910 --> 00:20:00,186 [NON-ENGLISH].

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00:20:00,186 --> 00:20:03,360

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00:20:03,360 --> 00:20:08,990 But when this came on, the tragedy came,

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00:20:08,990 --> 00:20:11,540 people start running to Russia.

451

00:20:11,540 --> 00:20:13,310 People didn't know what to do.

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00:20:13,310 --> 00:20:14,585 They should run like crazy.

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00:20:14,585 --> 00:20:17,400

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00:20:17,400 --> 00:20:19,940 It took a little time.

455

00:20:19,940 --> 00:20:24,260

I remember, I was home like--

456

00:20:24,260 --> 00:20:27,190 how it was with my wife.

457

00:20:27,190 --> 00:20:29,450 Comes in a German--

458

00:20:29,450 --> 00:20:32,330 a [INAUDIBLE], limping on a leg.

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00:20:32,330 --> 00:20:36,650 I don't know if someone sent him up or he didn't know before.

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00:20:36,650 --> 00:20:38,828 He looked out--

461

00:20:38,828 --> 00:20:40,370 He came to your house, you're saying?

462

00:20:40,370 --> 00:20:42,200 He came to the house, yes.

463

00:20:42,200 --> 00:20:44,060 And he liked it so much.

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00:20:44,060 --> 00:20:47,505 And he say to me, look, [INAUDIBLE]..

465

00:20:47,505 --> 00:20:51,560 For this-- this mean for a drink, drink vodka,

466

00:20:51,560 --> 00:20:52,820 I can have this everything.

467

00:20:52,820 --> 00:20:55,790 But no, look he talk with the hand.

468

00:20:55,790 --> 00:20:58,010

I remember it like now.

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00:20:58,010 --> 00:20:59,810 I'm not doing this.

470

00:20:59,810 --> 00:21:01,630 Don't worry.

471

00:21:01,630 --> 00:21:04,030 So we start dealing about--

472

00:21:04,030 --> 00:21:09,152 I don't remember how much was it, a few thousand zlote.

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00:21:09,152 --> 00:21:11,390 At this time, the bank was closed.

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00:21:11,390 --> 00:21:14,420 We couldn't take the zlote to buy bread.

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00:21:14,420 --> 00:21:15,380 And he had come.

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00:21:15,380 --> 00:21:18,430 I said, you know what, everybody runs to Russia,

477

00:21:18,430 --> 00:21:19,790 maybe we run too.

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00:21:19,790 --> 00:21:21,110 Let's sell.

479

00:21:21,110 --> 00:21:22,340 OK.

480

00:21:22,340 --> 00:21:26,540 And we went down [INAUDIBLE] into with horse,

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00:21:26,540 --> 00:21:29,280

and wagons and buggies.

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00:21:29,280 --> 00:21:32,000 We go and drove in.

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00:21:32,000 --> 00:21:35,105 And he has to give me some 5,000 zlote.

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00:21:35,105 --> 00:21:37,580 And he was short in money.

485

00:21:37,580 --> 00:21:43,280 Not much, but a nice few hundred zlote was missing, maybe 1,000.

486

00:21:43,280 --> 00:21:46,730 My mother-- I taking one over the other one.

487

00:21:46,730 --> 00:21:51,650 My mother was at this time, she left to [PLACE NAME]

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00:21:51,650 --> 00:21:52,460 to help us out.

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00:21:52,460 --> 00:21:55,930 If she would be there, she wouldn't be able to stand it.

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00:21:55,930 --> 00:21:58,770

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00:21:58,770 --> 00:22:02,105 But this time, we walked on [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:22:02,105 --> 00:22:06,340 There was a snow, such a deep, frosty night.

493

00:22:06,340 --> 00:22:11,220 And he said, I take you with me, but don't talk.

00:22:11,220 --> 00:22:16,160

We had to go by a Wald

Constantino Wald was the name.

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00:22:16,160 --> 00:22:17,710

I came in over there.

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00:22:17,710 --> 00:22:21,330 He was such happy his wife,

he Kissed her and kissed her.

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00:22:21,330 --> 00:22:23,300

Look what I bought for you.

498

00:22:23,300 --> 00:22:25,070

And she was-- she saw what--

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00:22:25,070 --> 00:22:28,250

she was the same way.

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00:22:28,250 --> 00:22:32,765

Then he say, I have to go borrow

a few zlote, a few hundred,

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00:22:32,765 --> 00:22:34,490

how much is missing.

502

00:22:34,490 --> 00:22:35,500

He went out.

503

00:22:35,500 --> 00:22:38,570

And I went by myself to talk.

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00:22:38,570 --> 00:22:39,520

I had nothing.

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00:22:39,520 --> 00:22:41,120

But I went by me.

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00:22:41,120 --> 00:22:43,400

If he would not

give me the money,

507 00:22:43,400 --> 00:22:45,980 he wouldn't give nothing, it would be also good.

508 00:22:45,980 --> 00:22:50,100 Because they took much-more valuable things

509 00:22:50,100 --> 00:22:52,100 than my furniture.

510 00:22:52,100 --> 00:22:57,140 He comes, say, I'm sorry, I couldn't, they have no money.

511 00:22:57,140 --> 00:23:01,640 He opened up-- in Europe was a basement

512 00:23:01,640 --> 00:23:06,540 in home, such a big place.

513 00:23:06,540 --> 00:23:12,170 And start pulling out such big pieces, coal.

514 00:23:12,170 --> 00:23:13,590 This was like brilliance.

515 00:23:13,590 --> 00:23:15,440 It was so cold.

516 00:23:15,440 --> 00:23:19,220 It was freezing, cold, bitter cold was.

517 00:23:19,220 --> 00:23:20,350 Nothing to [INAUDIBLE].

518 00:23:20,350 --> 00:23:28,460 If you knocked the wood, the [INAUDIBLE] and so on went.

519 00:23:28,460 --> 00:23:31,260 So I say, OK.

520

00:23:31,260 --> 00:23:35,000 And made a big slit.

521

00:23:35,000 --> 00:23:37,200 Put them in our sack.

522

00:23:37,200 --> 00:23:43,940 It was there some rice, and red beets and things.

523

00:23:43,940 --> 00:23:46,700 At home, they meant well, God forbid,

524

00:23:46,700 --> 00:23:55,190 if I'm dead, [INAUDIBLE] to perspire wood.

525

00:23:55,190 --> 00:23:58,460 If my mother will be there, she wouldn't be able to send it.

526

00:23:58,460 --> 00:24:00,390 She had special off for me.

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00:24:00,390 --> 00:24:04,730

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00:24:04,730 --> 00:24:06,420 So I came home.

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00:24:06,420 --> 00:24:08,180 I did what he told me.

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00:24:08,180 --> 00:24:12,240 Don't talk nothing on the way, go quiet.

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00:24:12,240 --> 00:24:14,050 So we came home.

532

00:24:14,050 --> 00:24:18,300

Oh, the [INAUDIBLE],, how it was for my father.

533

00:24:18,300 --> 00:24:19,520 The family was only halfway.

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00:24:19,520 --> 00:24:22,110 Halfway was who knows where.

535

00:24:22,110 --> 00:24:27,110 But there was-- the [INAUDIBLE] was such big, I came home.

536

00:24:27,110 --> 00:24:28,300 And I brought such--

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00:24:28,300 --> 00:24:29,315 some food, some coal.

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00:24:29,315 --> 00:24:32,276

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00:24:32,276 --> 00:24:37,410 And then the tragedy is gone away.

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00:24:37,410 --> 00:24:39,450 It worked very, very, very--

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00:24:39,450 --> 00:24:42,000

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00:24:42,000 --> 00:24:43,150 very, very much.

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00:24:43,150 --> 00:24:47,340

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00:24:47,340 --> 00:24:49,200

It was-- it was very--

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00:24:49,200 --> 00:24:53,130

day after day, it was new orders.

00:24:53,130 --> 00:24:58,480 Now I have to go back a little bit because the beginning,

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00:24:58,480 --> 00:25:03,810 we had lived in this house some 26 or 27 years.

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00:25:03,810 --> 00:25:09,100 And the landlord was a Christian baker.

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00:25:09,100 --> 00:25:10,860 A bakery he had.

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00:25:10,860 --> 00:25:14,520 I remember how he built. He brought [INAUDIBLE]

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00:25:14,520 --> 00:25:17,250 and built them up.

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00:25:17,250 --> 00:25:21,420 Then he made the American [INAUDIBLE],, the [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:25:21,420 --> 00:25:24,670

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00:25:24,670 --> 00:25:29,127 So when it was the three days, four days well,

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00:25:29,127 --> 00:25:32,640 four I went to bed.

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00:25:32,640 --> 00:25:34,040 And I couldn't sleep.

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00:25:34,040 --> 00:25:36,110 This is no news.

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00:25:36,110 --> 00:25:37,690

But I couldn't lay on.

559 00:25:37,690 --> 00:25:40,220 And I say, I take a look what's going on.

560 00:25:40,220 --> 00:25:42,350 Something, I feel something.

561 00:25:42,350 --> 00:25:44,487 I going down-- I was on the first floor--

562 00:25:44,487 --> 00:25:45,320 on the second floor.

563 00:25:45,320 --> 00:25:51,340 But I see the bakery has opened the doors.

564 00:25:51,340 --> 00:25:55,260 With my heart start right away knocking, I looked in.

565 00:25:55,260 --> 00:25:56,530 It was empty.

566 00:25:56,530 --> 00:25:59,920 Bread was sitting in the oven, burning.

567 00:25:59,920 --> 00:26:01,810 And they have prepared--

568 00:26:01,810 --> 00:26:04,010 like bakeries having such big--

569 00:26:04,010 --> 00:26:06,980 I don't know the name of it.

570 00:26:06,980 --> 00:26:10,060 I take up a few steps to the street.

571

00:26:10,060 --> 00:26:12,220 Oh, something goes on.

572

00:26:12,220 --> 00:26:16,580 In all the streets, people, people going massively.

573

00:26:16,580 --> 00:26:19,310

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00:26:19,310 --> 00:26:19,840 What's do?

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00:26:19,840 --> 00:26:21,050 What's to do?

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00:26:21,050 --> 00:26:30,340 They had mens [INAUDIBLE] to go to Warsaw to fight.

577

00:26:30,340 --> 00:26:34,150 And here was, at this time was, and the day came,

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00:26:34,150 --> 00:26:36,640 my older brother, where he was, came from--

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00:26:36,640 --> 00:26:38,930 he was living in Pabianice he lived.

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00:26:38,930 --> 00:26:42,130

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00:26:42,130 --> 00:26:45,260 And the other one-the other one,

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00:26:45,260 --> 00:26:50,970 the brother-in-law also, and me, and my brother.

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00:26:50,970 --> 00:26:53,180 Your older brother's name was?

00:26:53,180 --> 00:26:54,810 Older brother was Zuk.

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00:26:54,810 --> 00:26:55,310 Was what?

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00:26:55,310 --> 00:27:01,370 Zuk, [Zuken The brother-in-law was Moshe.

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00:27:01,370 --> 00:27:02,110 Two Moshes.

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00:27:02,110 --> 00:27:03,550 One of the sisters--

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00:27:03,550 --> 00:27:06,190 the two sisters' two husbands.

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00:27:06,190 --> 00:27:09,280 And we was all together and had to leave.

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00:27:09,280 --> 00:27:11,160 Dad and mom sat and crying.

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00:27:11,160 --> 00:27:12,670 Only crying.

593

00:27:12,670 --> 00:27:14,860 What can they do?

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00:27:14,860 --> 00:27:17,070 The streets were full with people,

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00:27:17,070 --> 00:27:20,090 marching, marching very worried.

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00:27:20,090 --> 00:27:23,920 So we start to march Main Street from the side street.

597 00:27:23,920 --> 00:27:26,551 More and more people. 598 00:27:26,551 --> 00:27:29,770 And called us such no --599 00:27:29,770 --> 00:27:33,010 God in [INAUDIBLE] hate us or what? 600 00:27:33,010 --> 00:27:35,380 Who knows how it was the whole story? 601 00:27:35,380 --> 00:27:37,930 So we went and went. 602 00:27:37,930 --> 00:27:40,670 I was the youngest in this little group. 00:27:40,670 --> 00:27:46,130 When it came to the name Studenyanit I remember it. 00:27:46,130 --> 00:27:51,750 And I saw airplane then turns to fall down. 605 00:27:51,750 --> 00:27:56,932 He was shot down from the artillery. 606 00:27:56,932 --> 00:28:01,530 And I say to all of them, you know what-- where we are going? 607 00:28:01,530 --> 00:28:02,700 [INAUDIBLE]? 608 00:28:02,700 --> 00:28:04,800 Are we going to [INAUDIBLE]?

00:28:04,800 --> 00:28:06,880

Come home, let's go back.

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00:28:06,880 --> 00:28:10,830 Back was easy to go like home because on the other streets

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00:28:10,830 --> 00:28:12,660 was little by little people.

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00:28:12,660 --> 00:28:16,900 Many was out of already to the main march.

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00:28:16,900 --> 00:28:19,080 And they listened to me.

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00:28:19,080 --> 00:28:19,830 We came home.

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00:28:19,830 --> 00:28:22,820

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00:28:22,820 --> 00:28:28,900 You can-- each one can know how father and mother feel.

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00:28:28,900 --> 00:28:30,800 They opened up the door.

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00:28:30,800 --> 00:28:34,580 They cried, cried and laughed.

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00:28:34,580 --> 00:28:36,440 Took a few minutes.

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00:28:36,440 --> 00:28:40,030 We was [INAUDIBLE] there anti-Semitic peoples.

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00:28:40,030 --> 00:28:42,730 Was a few minutes, they came to the door-- knock, knock, knock.

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00:28:42,730 --> 00:28:46,020

So hey there what you doing here?

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00:28:46,020 --> 00:28:49,610 By ourselves was hiding.

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00:28:49,610 --> 00:28:50,350 They hide.

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00:28:50,350 --> 00:28:55,240 They didn't like to go to pay what they had.

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00:28:55,240 --> 00:28:56,990 So mom saw this.

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00:28:56,990 --> 00:29:00,180 She took the brothers, brother-in-laws and send them

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00:29:00,180 --> 00:29:02,930 away somewhere, not to stay here.

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00:29:02,930 --> 00:29:04,910 Because it was dangerous.

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00:29:04,910 --> 00:29:06,290 They could come in and kill them.

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00:29:06,290 --> 00:29:09,470

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00:29:09,470 --> 00:29:14,600 And the landlord, the baker, was by a few days.

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00:29:14,600 --> 00:29:19,220 He said, you know, Kalmonowitz you are the youngest--

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00:29:19,220 --> 00:29:22,340 my oldest tenant [INAUDIBLE].

635 00:29:22,340 --> 00:29:25,610 Come down, you be a help in the bakery.

636 00:29:25,610 --> 00:29:27,100 I worked a few days.

637 00:29:27,100 --> 00:29:28,400 I was glad.

638 00:29:28,400 --> 00:29:29,390 I helped people.

639 00:29:29,390 --> 00:29:34,160 I helped them, the father, the brothers with the bread,

640 00:29:34,160 --> 00:29:35,150 which I could do.

641 00:29:35,150 --> 00:29:36,480 I did it.

642 00:29:36,480 --> 00:29:38,430 Thanks God.

643 00:29:38,430 --> 00:29:43,280 But went by a few days, each thing--

644 00:29:43,280 --> 00:29:47,810 Rumkowski was the manager from the ghetto, Chaim Rumkowski.

645 00:29:47,810 --> 00:29:52,190 So he said-- it was tragic jokes, but jokes.

646 00:29:52,190 --> 00:29:53,840 He said the jacket--

647 00:29:53,840 --> 00:29:56,310 the ghetto [NON-ENGLISH].

00:29:56,310 --> 00:29:57,490 Those words.

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00:29:57,490 --> 00:29:59,780

And it was this way.

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00:29:59,780 --> 00:30:00,750

What does that mean?

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00:30:00,750 --> 00:30:04,790

The ghetto will be best form.

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00:30:04,790 --> 00:30:07,610

Everything for work.

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00:30:07,610 --> 00:30:10,130

Had the ghetto been

formed by that time?

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00:30:10,130 --> 00:30:11,120

What?

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00:30:11,120 --> 00:30:13,590

Had the ghetto been

formed by that time?

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00:30:13,590 --> 00:30:16,385

No, no, this was in

Łódź,, the first--

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00:30:16,385 --> 00:30:18,010

You're talking in

the beginning, right?

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00:30:18,010 --> 00:30:18,960

The beginning, yes.

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00:30:18,960 --> 00:30:22,220

First a-- it was two or three

months, something like this,

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00:30:22,220 --> 00:30:25,850

the three months it

was some June, July--

661 00:30:25,850 --> 00:30:30,117 it is January, February, March, I think.

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00:30:30,117 --> 00:30:31,700 In the meantime, we had to go to work.

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00:30:31,700 --> 00:30:37,050 Was the Jewish [NON-ENGLISH] the [NON-ENGLISH]...

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00:30:37,050 --> 00:30:39,560 I don't know how to express it to you.

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00:30:39,560 --> 00:30:42,050 They had to send out-there came a letter,

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00:30:42,050 --> 00:30:45,600 you have to be at work this day.

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00:30:45,600 --> 00:30:49,160 This, I could have sometimes work to go again and again.

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00:30:49,160 --> 00:30:51,390 The work was nothing worth it.

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00:30:51,390 --> 00:30:53,210 But you have to go to work.

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00:30:53,210 --> 00:30:55,520 What kind of work did you do?

00:30:55,520 --> 00:31:01,820 They gave work to scrape together from the trees--

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00:31:01,820 --> 00:31:04,700 they fell down, things, different things.

00:31:04,700 --> 00:31:10,910 When we are going home, I remember I was with another--

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00:31:10,910 --> 00:31:14,480 still today when I remember it, I feel sorrow for it,

675

00:31:14,480 --> 00:31:17,210 because I was almost at home and he

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00:31:17,210 --> 00:31:21,460 had to go to the ghetto place, which was way down.

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00:31:21,460 --> 00:31:23,370 Valik was the name.

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00:31:23,370 --> 00:31:24,490 Poorer section.

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00:31:24,490 --> 00:31:30,574

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00:31:30,574 --> 00:31:32,640 No gymnasium.

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00:31:32,640 --> 00:31:33,400 [INAUDIBLE]

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00:31:33,400 --> 00:31:34,450 High school.

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00:31:34,450 --> 00:31:37,050 It wasn't a high school.

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00:31:37,050 --> 00:31:39,790 Stays a German this way with the hand.

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00:31:39,790 --> 00:31:42,433

Say, oh, now, what's going on now?

686 00:31:42,433 --> 00:31:43,100 I start talking.

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00:31:43,100 --> 00:31:47,200 [INAUDIBLE] [NON-ENGLISH].

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00:31:47,200 --> 00:31:50,120 Can you translate that?

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00:31:50,120 --> 00:31:52,480 Mister-- mister, we are coming now

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00:31:52,480 --> 00:31:57,760 from work, what you had to work, like [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:31:57,760 --> 00:32:00,210 And no we have to go home.

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00:32:00,210 --> 00:32:05,080 [GERMAN] this mean don't talk.

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00:32:05,080 --> 00:32:07,730 Up on the truck.

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00:32:07,730 --> 00:32:10,520 And we start running with the truck.

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00:32:10,520 --> 00:32:12,400 He's driving.

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00:32:12,400 --> 00:32:15,130 I see-- I see something.

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00:32:15,130 --> 00:32:17,990 I knew all the places, because I was born there

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00:32:17,990 --> 00:32:23,050 and I went there late to the customs, Polish customs,

00:32:23,050 --> 00:32:24,590 storekeepers.

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00:32:24,590 --> 00:32:28,600 And I say for them, two of them besides me,

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00:32:28,600 --> 00:32:33,580 you know what, he goes here to take coals.

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00:32:33,580 --> 00:32:34,270 I feel it.

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00:32:34,270 --> 00:32:37,360 Was such big places.

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00:32:37,360 --> 00:32:38,590 And this was this way.

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00:32:38,590 --> 00:32:42,260 He came to our place.

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00:32:42,260 --> 00:32:46,410 He rode up very fast, the machine full with coals.

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00:32:46,410 --> 00:32:48,430 And we have to go up.

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00:32:48,430 --> 00:32:53,404 He goes back to the place where he catch up us.

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00:32:53,404 --> 00:32:58,490 And at this time, I see some new thing, what's never I saw.

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00:32:58,490 --> 00:33:06,400 It meant we have to work now to shovel and things to this.

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00:33:06,400 --> 00:33:10,270

But he took some button on the truck.

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00:33:10,270 --> 00:33:12,070 He took some button, pushed.

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00:33:12,070 --> 00:33:13,570 And the truck start to go up, up,

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00:33:13,570 --> 00:33:16,590 up, up, up, such mechanically.

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00:33:16,590 --> 00:33:18,610 Mechanic is very good.

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00:33:18,610 --> 00:33:22,370 Even the gas chambers they made also good, very good

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00:33:22,370 --> 00:33:25,390 work for [INAUDIBLE].

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00:33:25,390 --> 00:33:29,870 So this when we was free of it not to shovel the coals.

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00:33:29,870 --> 00:33:31,640 [INAUDIBLE] was name.

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00:33:31,640 --> 00:33:34,750 And fell down in the basement.

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00:33:34,750 --> 00:33:37,030 So he let us free.

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00:33:37,030 --> 00:33:39,850 I remember I did really feel sorry.

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00:33:39,850 --> 00:33:42,510 I should take them to my place.

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00:33:42,510 --> 00:33:43,990

Well, other one was closer to me.

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00:33:43,990 --> 00:33:48,650 And one was in [INAUDIBLE] the ghetto, found later on.

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00:33:48,650 --> 00:33:51,190 But he left.

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00:33:51,190 --> 00:33:54,175 [INAUDIBLE] going farther and farther.

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00:33:54,175 --> 00:33:56,930

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00:33:56,930 --> 00:33:59,110 Forgetting the same Yiddish.

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00:33:59,110 --> 00:34:02,940 If you're getting used to the tsuris [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:34:02,940 --> 00:34:05,510

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00:34:05,510 --> 00:34:09,010 So it was very bitter, very, very bitter.

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00:34:09,010 --> 00:34:13,989 In the meantime, mom went-- this was--

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00:34:13,989 --> 00:34:19,300 must be somewhere in February or what.

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00:34:19,300 --> 00:34:22,179 Mom said she can't [INAUDIBLE] anymore.

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00:34:22,179 --> 00:34:25,000 She remembered the time

when she helped us.

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00:34:25,000 --> 00:34:26,409 She helped a lot.

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00:34:26,409 --> 00:34:29,800

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00:34:29,800 --> 00:34:35,380 She took-- I [INAUDIBLE].

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00:34:35,380 --> 00:34:37,389 I don't know, my wife was sick.

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00:34:37,389 --> 00:34:39,659 And I [INAUDIBLE] I couldn't take it,

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00:34:39,659 --> 00:34:43,830 and my own to go to with her.

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00:34:43,830 --> 00:34:44,790 She said no.

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00:34:44,790 --> 00:34:49,679 So in the meantime, I came back, maybe five minutes took.

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00:34:49,679 --> 00:34:50,880 Mom was gone.

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00:34:50,880 --> 00:34:54,560 I run down such fast the steps, maybe no second.

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00:34:54,560 --> 00:34:57,850 The sleds was away.

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00:34:57,850 --> 00:35:00,245 And I didn't saw her anymore.

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00:35:00,245 --> 00:35:01,780 This was it.

750 00:35:01,780 --> 00:35:04,410 And the first time we had--

751 00:35:04,410 --> 00:35:07,560 each one could write a postcard, a few words, something,

752 00:35:07,560 --> 00:35:10,550 for some--

753 00:35:10,550 --> 00:35:15,680 till 1944-- '3, I think.

754 00:35:15,680 --> 00:35:16,960 It was possible to do.

755 00:35:16,960 --> 00:35:20,590 But later on, nothing [INAUDIBLE]..

756 00:35:20,590 --> 00:35:22,620 So we heard how it is over there.

757 00:35:22,620 --> 00:35:26,100 Our brother, the oldest brother, Zuken that I say,

758 00:35:26,100 --> 00:35:29,550 he was in Pabianice by Łódź,.

/59 00:35:29,550 --> 00:35:33,150 He came also to Łódź,.

760 00:35:33,150 --> 00:35:35,070 I went down.

761 00:35:35,070 --> 00:35:36,980 He couldn't stay by us.

762 00:35:36,980 --> 00:35:38,190 We couldn't keep him.

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00:35:38,190 --> 00:35:39,860 We couldn't feed him.

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00:35:39,860 --> 00:35:45,070 For two we had [INAUDIBLE].

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00:35:45,070 --> 00:35:50,600 So I went down to the landlady and begged.

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00:35:50,600 --> 00:35:52,380 Look, my brother-- she knew him.

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00:35:52,380 --> 00:35:58,170 He was living with us, also together sometimes.

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00:35:58,170 --> 00:35:59,460 She gave me two breads.

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00:35:59,460 --> 00:36:01,710 I cut the bread such in pieces in a sack.

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00:36:01,710 --> 00:36:04,410 And he was like a beggar.

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00:36:04,410 --> 00:36:07,530 He had the sack and left in the way.

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00:36:07,530 --> 00:36:09,060 We didn't hear from him nothing.

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00:36:09,060 --> 00:36:14,790 Later on, after a nice little time, he wrote.

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00:36:14,790 --> 00:36:19,710 It was impossible everything to write what he went by.

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00:36:19,710 --> 00:36:20,760

On the way was--

00:36:20,760 --> 00:36:23,580 on the way was dead bodies.

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00:36:23,580 --> 00:36:27,180 So many dead bodies, they had to bury them.

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00:36:27,180 --> 00:36:31,683 They had to take them and [INAUDIBLE] with their hands--

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00:36:31,683 --> 00:36:36,850 their hands to work.

## 780

00:36:36,850 --> 00:36:40,450 I reminding of things I have here a finger.

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00:36:40,450 --> 00:36:42,870 It was 50 years and I have trouble from it

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00:36:42,870 --> 00:36:48,370 by cutting my fingertip or the cold.

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00:36:48,370 --> 00:36:50,470 It's terrible here [INAUDIBLE].

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00:36:50,470 --> 00:36:55,150 How this came to me to think, I worked with the coals.

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00:36:55,150 --> 00:36:57,842 Was also a coal working job.

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00:36:57,842 --> 00:37:01,300 I start the work, very hungry, very nervous.

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00:37:01,300 --> 00:37:03,150 That's the spring of 1940?

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00:37:03,150 --> 00:37:05,955

No, this was the winter.

789 00:37:05,955 --> 00:37:06,580 I would think--

790 00:37:06,580 --> 00:37:06,990 It's still winter.

791 00:37:06,990 --> 00:37:07,530 It's still winter.

792 00:37:07,530 --> 00:37:07,980 Still winter.

793 00:37:07,980 --> 00:37:08,480 It's cold.

794 00:37:08,480 --> 00:37:09,130 Of 1940.

795 00:37:09,130 --> 00:37:10,040 1940, yes.

796 00:37:10,040 --> 00:37:11,770 OK.

797 00:37:11,770 --> 00:37:13,280 And I shovel [INAUDIBLE] the coals.

798 00:37:13,280 --> 00:37:17,270 All of a sudden I feel something on neck here.

799 00:37:17,270 --> 00:37:21,460 Stood-- they came from Walne-- ] a region, Walne.

800 00:37:21,460 --> 00:37:23,892 This is the Russian world.

801 00:37:23,892 --> 00:37:25,780 They chased them out from over there. 802 00:37:25,780 --> 00:37:27,020 Not like us.

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00:37:27,020 --> 00:37:28,020 They've chased them out.

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00:37:28,020 --> 00:37:29,980 They took everything with them and everything.

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00:37:29,980 --> 00:37:31,540 They had a life.

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00:37:31,540 --> 00:37:34,570 But they was very excited.

807 00:37:34,570 --> 00:37:39,430 [INAUDIBLE] say, [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]..

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00:37:39,430 --> 00:37:41,330 I showed with the hand works.

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00:37:41,330 --> 00:37:44,275 And here it was blood-blood, dark blood

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00:37:44,275 --> 00:37:46,900 from the coal, the dust coal.

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00:37:46,900 --> 00:37:50,200 And one telling to me, you know what, he watched me.

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00:37:50,200 --> 00:37:51,380 Work.

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00:37:51,380 --> 00:37:54,730 Come [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH].

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00:37:54,730 --> 00:37:59,780 This mean [INAUDIBLE] or you can't. 815 00:37:59,780 --> 00:38:02,980 Work, [NON-ENGLISH].

816 00:38:02,980 --> 00:38:07,060 None of it, arbeit, work.

817 00:38:07,060 --> 00:38:08,730 You know what you to do.

818 00:38:08,730 --> 00:38:12,140 I don't have even a handkerchief or what.

819 00:38:12,140 --> 00:38:15,700 Rip up something from the shirt and take some [INAUDIBLE],,

820 00:38:15,700 --> 00:38:18,190 not to let through.

821 00:38:18,190 --> 00:38:21,130 I hardly [INAUDIBLE] did it.

822 00:38:21,130 --> 00:38:24,910 I couldn't-- he watched me very well.

823 00:38:24,910 --> 00:38:25,910 I came home.

824 00:38:25,910 --> 00:38:27,320 I washed with a little water.

825 00:38:27,320 --> 00:38:29,780 There wasn't too much water also.

826 00:38:29,780 --> 00:38:33,650 And at this time was, but this was not in Łódź,.

827 00:38:33,650 --> 00:38:36,880 Was a little different.

00:38:36,880 --> 00:38:39,080 But was very hard.

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00:38:39,080 --> 00:38:40,350 I feel such pain.

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00:38:40,350 --> 00:38:41,950 Hold the hand.

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00:38:41,950 --> 00:38:42,940 Here is no doctor.

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00:38:42,940 --> 00:38:43,820 What can I do?

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00:38:43,820 --> 00:38:45,210 What here to do?

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00:38:45,210 --> 00:38:48,430 In the morning, somebody send me talk to a doctor.

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00:38:48,430 --> 00:38:51,130

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00:38:51,130 --> 00:38:53,190 How was the name, the street?

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00:38:53,190 --> 00:38:56,340

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00:38:56,340 --> 00:38:58,160 So, no difference.

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00:38:58,160 --> 00:38:59,700 And I came in.

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00:38:59,700 --> 00:39:02,160 He asked me, do you have pain here?

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00:39:02,160 --> 00:39:03,180

# You having pain here?

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00:39:03,180 --> 00:39:07,890 I say like-- he know what's going on.

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00:39:07,890 --> 00:39:09,260 And he took me.

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00:39:09,260 --> 00:39:13,630 There was no-- there was nothing to do.

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00:39:13,630 --> 00:39:15,630 No, what can you do?

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00:39:15,630 --> 00:39:17,730 He did what he could.

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00:39:17,730 --> 00:39:19,620 He cut the bone and things.

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00:39:19,620 --> 00:39:21,450 I had very long--

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00:39:21,450 --> 00:39:22,200 long-time trouble.

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00:39:22,200 --> 00:39:24,570 Till now, almost 50 years.

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00:39:24,570 --> 00:39:26,400 And still trouble.

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00:39:26,400 --> 00:39:30,080 I can't use this finger, broken this way.

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00:39:30,080 --> 00:39:32,670 This was this thing.

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00:39:32,670 --> 00:39:36,680

Now comes a time, they day's moving.

00:39:36,680 --> 00:39:38,965 Comes further.

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00:39:38,965 --> 00:39:42,996 And people start packing old --

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00:39:42,996 --> 00:39:45,740 They were building ghettos.

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00:39:45,740 --> 00:39:47,900 All of us will go to the ghetto.

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00:39:47,900 --> 00:39:54,450 We have to wear wooden shoes and stripe clothing.

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00:39:54,450 --> 00:39:56,070 But everything came true.

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00:39:56,070 --> 00:39:58,190 Everything came true, like people said.

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00:39:58,190 --> 00:40:01,758

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00:40:01,758 --> 00:40:04,220 And this was this way.

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00:40:04,220 --> 00:40:10,470 It's almost February, close to March, or what.

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00:40:10,470 --> 00:40:13,610 This came a-- if you're going down in the morning,

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00:40:13,610 --> 00:40:19,400 it's on the walls.

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00:40:19,400 --> 00:40:22,960 [NON-ENGLISH] in ghetto.

00:40:22,960 --> 00:40:26,320 Everybody have to leave to the ghetto until two days.

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00:40:26,320 --> 00:40:30,370 But I think two days they give.

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00:40:30,370 --> 00:40:34,210 Over there was pictures.

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00:40:34,210 --> 00:40:39,300 I think Picasso wouldn't be able to make--

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00:40:39,300 --> 00:40:41,560 to write pictures like this.

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00:40:41,560 --> 00:40:45,460 People all made this museum.

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00:40:45,460 --> 00:40:46,120 God bless them.

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00:40:46,120 --> 00:40:47,530 They did a very big thing.

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00:40:47,530 --> 00:40:51,820 People will know something, the future, children.

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00:40:51,820 --> 00:40:54,290 But it's impossible--[INAUDIBLE]

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00:40:54,290 --> 00:40:59,050 what is impossible who wasn't there never in life

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00:40:59,050 --> 00:41:03,280 can know how over there was.

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00:41:03,280 --> 00:41:07,090 Terrible life, terrible life.

00:41:07,090 --> 00:41:09,490 People start running again.

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00:41:09,490 --> 00:41:12,520 You saw pictures.

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00:41:12,520 --> 00:41:18,650 Somebody took a table, turned over upside down,

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00:41:18,650 --> 00:41:23,740 and push it under the floor with a string on the snows was--

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00:41:23,740 --> 00:41:26,110 God himself was mad at us.

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00:41:26,110 --> 00:41:29,950 I don't know what was in there, something.

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00:41:29,950 --> 00:41:32,650 So we're at the ghetto.

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00:41:32,650 --> 00:41:33,970 We are going to the ghetto.

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00:41:33,970 --> 00:41:37,760 Was me and the sister.

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00:41:37,760 --> 00:41:41,110 Hinda is her name, with the little child, a year

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00:41:41,110 --> 00:41:42,820 and a half I think.

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00:41:42,820 --> 00:41:45,780 Her husband was the one who got sent away.

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00:41:45,780 --> 00:41:46,708 [CRYING]

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00:41:46,708 --> 00:41:51,350

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00:41:51,350 --> 00:41:52,560

So we started to go.

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00:41:52,560 --> 00:41:58,950

Father took-- the sister [INAUDIBLE] such a--

897

00:41:58,950 --> 00:42:03,630 on the back to take, to take it.

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00:42:03,630 --> 00:42:06,630

Not where to go, even where to step in.

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00:42:06,630 --> 00:42:09,750 People at least [INAUDIBLE].

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00:42:09,750 --> 00:42:12,120 But people selfishness also.

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00:42:12,120 --> 00:42:13,050

I had to step in.

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00:42:13,050 --> 00:42:18,600 I remember my wife's, somewhere her family was living over

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00:42:18,600 --> 00:42:19,140

there.

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00:42:19,140 --> 00:42:22,020 [PLACE NAME]] was the name.

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00:42:22,020 --> 00:42:23,980
What was your wife's name?

What was your wife's name?

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00:42:23,980 --> 00:42:24,480

Masha.

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00:42:24,480 --> 00:42:25,050

## Masha?

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00:42:25,050 --> 00:42:26,640 My wife-- my wife--

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00:42:26,640 --> 00:42:32,000 my wife, I heard a very [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:42:32,000 --> 00:42:37,130 They took hundreds of girls, took in a ship

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00:42:37,130 --> 00:42:40,560 and drowned them in Stutthof--

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00:42:40,560 --> 00:42:42,820 Stutthof, Germany.

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00:42:42,820 --> 00:42:44,362 This was then.

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00:42:44,362 --> 00:42:47,700 But after the war, I met somebody, a girl.

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00:42:47,700 --> 00:42:49,560 She said she know her.

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00:42:49,560 --> 00:42:50,615 She talked to her.

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00:42:50,615 --> 00:42:54,210 But she was [INAUDIBLE] behind dead people.

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00:42:54,210 --> 00:42:55,830 [INAUDIBLE] She went out.

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00:42:55,830 --> 00:43:02,070 So [INAUDIBLE] that happened like this.

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00:43:02,070 --> 00:43:02,820

So I went in.

921 00:43:02,820 --> 00:43:05,020 Over there was [INAUDIBLE].

922 00:43:05,020 --> 00:43:06,260 I remember this and --

923 00:43:06,260 --> 00:43:09,960

924 00:43:09,960 --> 00:43:11,875 19.

925 00:43:11,875 --> 00:43:14,540 And my father went in.

926 00:43:14,540 --> 00:43:19,060 The sister, Hinda, had her father-in-law living.

927 00:43:19,060 --> 00:43:22,790 This was in the ghetto, the place.

928 00:43:22,790 --> 00:43:29,800 She went-- she took in my father there.

929 00:43:29,800 --> 00:43:35,230 And over there was [INAUDIBLE],, a kitchen, not called--

930 00:43:35,230 --> 00:43:38,870 over there was a room in a kitchen.

931 00:43:38,870 --> 00:43:39,955 This was the whole--

932 00:43:39,955 --> 00:43:42,880

933 00:43:42,880 --> 00:43:43,600

# Arrangement.

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00:43:43,600 --> 00:43:45,640 Arrangement, yes.

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00:43:45,640 --> 00:43:47,340 Came in the evening.

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00:43:47,340 --> 00:43:49,320 Maybe 15 people came in in there.

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00:43:49,320 --> 00:43:50,950 Each one like to step in.

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00:43:50,950 --> 00:43:53,550 And children included.

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00:43:53,550 --> 00:43:56,730 At nighttime was, you saw only bedding.

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00:43:56,730 --> 00:43:59,760 The whole thing was burning in the middle of the night.

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00:43:59,760 --> 00:44:02,440 We can hear-- wake up, wake up.

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00:44:02,440 --> 00:44:05,903 I couldn't stop [INAUDIBLE],, papa, papa, [CRYING]..

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00:44:05,903 --> 00:44:10,740

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00:44:10,740 --> 00:44:15,310 In the morning I remembered, who could sleep?

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00:44:15,310 --> 00:44:16,135 My father came.

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00:44:16,135 --> 00:44:20,330

And he looked up finally.

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00:44:20,330 --> 00:44:23,150

He start-- he

[INAUDIBLE] crying.

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00:44:23,150 --> 00:44:24,150

You're not crying, papa.

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00:44:24,150 --> 00:44:26,950 Please stop crying like a baby.

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00:44:26,950 --> 00:44:27,890

What can I answer?

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00:44:27,890 --> 00:44:31,730

I answer him with crying also.

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00:44:31,730 --> 00:44:39,880

So I brought him over back to

the in-laws from my sister.

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00:44:39,880 --> 00:44:41,720

And my brother, which has died--

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00:44:41,720 --> 00:44:43,610

the younger, David, he died.

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00:44:43,610 --> 00:44:48,630

He was working with friends.

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00:44:48,630 --> 00:44:50,540

Those friends has to leave.

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00:44:50,540 --> 00:44:52,720

He was a Polish--

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00:44:52,720 --> 00:44:54,230

Polish man.

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00:44:54,230 --> 00:44:56,540

And he had to leave his place.

00:44:56,540 --> 00:44:58,625 So he gave him the room.

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00:44:58,625 --> 00:45:03,110 But the room was four walls and that's all, nothing else.

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00:45:03,110 --> 00:45:09,157 Cold, and was behind the street, the that's how you call it.

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00:45:09,157 --> 00:45:12,290

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00:45:12,290 --> 00:45:16,520 And father was there.

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00:45:16,520 --> 00:45:19,070 I had-- oh, I forgot.

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00:45:19,070 --> 00:45:22,580 In the meantime, I had already a place also.

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00:45:22,580 --> 00:45:28,130 Rumkowski came out and said, go ahead in this place.

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00:45:28,130 --> 00:45:30,830 [PLACE NAME] was the name.

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00:45:30,830 --> 00:45:33,130 Open up the rooms and go in.

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00:45:33,130 --> 00:45:34,760 Each can take a room.

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00:45:34,760 --> 00:45:35,720 So I went there.

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00:45:35,720 --> 00:45:41,210 I took a little ax and something else.

00:45:41,210 --> 00:45:42,520 I opened up a room.

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00:45:42,520 --> 00:45:46,900 I have a room

already, four walls.

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00:45:46,900 --> 00:45:54,620 And opened up even for my in-laws over there also.

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00:45:54,620 --> 00:46:01,470

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00:46:01,470 --> 00:46:04,950 So I opened up some--three rooms I think.

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00:46:04,950 --> 00:46:07,370 And they had rooms already.

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00:46:07,370 --> 00:46:15,500 And here is bread, no bread, no heat, nothing, nothing,

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00:46:15,500 --> 00:46:16,000 nothing.

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00:46:16,000 --> 00:46:22,290

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00:46:22,290 --> 00:46:25,000 When we was there, start to get to working.

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00:46:25,000 --> 00:46:30,250 I remember, he said, Rumkowski the ghetto will act--

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00:46:30,250 --> 00:46:33,650 we'll be working like a good watch, a good clock.

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00:46:33,650 --> 00:46:37,880

They had-- they start

tearing up houses.

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00:46:37,880 --> 00:46:43,060 In the Jewish section, there was four-five stories houses.

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00:46:43,060 --> 00:46:44,690 They stripped the stone.

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00:46:44,690 --> 00:46:46,280 [INAUDIBLE] why they did it.

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00:46:46,280 --> 00:46:48,140 What they did it.

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00:46:48,140 --> 00:46:50,510 People they had for nothing.

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00:46:50,510 --> 00:46:52,880 So they did it.

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00:46:52,880 --> 00:46:55,400 In the morning, when we went in there,

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00:46:55,400 --> 00:47:04,940 stood a an SS man, by the door and Jewish policemen also.

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00:47:04,940 --> 00:47:09,080 The ghetto was full of police and post office,

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00:47:09,080 --> 00:47:11,030 money even was.

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00:47:11,030 --> 00:47:13,600 Who has some money like this?

997

00:47:13,600 --> 00:47:15,580 Very wonderful now to have something like this.

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00:47:15,580 --> 00:47:18,140

999 00:47:18,140 --> 00:47:22,120 So when we start working, I said I

1000

00:47:22,120 --> 00:47:24,230 will go there and take a look.

1001

00:47:24,230 --> 00:47:27,100 In the ghetto you couldn't work like you like here,

1002

00:47:27,100 --> 00:47:28,770 to pick what you want.

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00:47:28,770 --> 00:47:30,080 They sent you-- the [GERMAN].

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00:47:30,080 --> 00:47:33,070

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00:47:33,070 --> 00:47:34,020 So I worked.

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00:47:34,020 --> 00:47:35,240 Went by a--

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00:47:35,240 --> 00:47:36,510 I going by.

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00:47:36,510 --> 00:47:39,370 It's straight, but this took time.

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00:47:39,370 --> 00:47:41,255 But along came tsuris and troubles.

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00:47:41,255 --> 00:47:45,380

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00:47:45,380 --> 00:47:51,150 And he started calling,

and the started canning,

# who is a [NON-ENGLISH]??

1012 00:47:51,150 --> 00:47:56,710 This mean a carpenter, a [NON-ENGLISH]..

1013

00:47:56,710 --> 00:48:02,690 And I had them my mind, went by, here is only demolition.

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00:48:02,690 --> 00:48:06,350 I don't have to be a carpenter to do it.

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00:48:06,350 --> 00:48:08,020 I said I'm a [NON-ENGLISH].

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00:48:08,020 --> 00:48:15,580 But he said right away, he said, [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]...

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00:48:15,580 --> 00:48:16,280 What's that?

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00:48:16,280 --> 00:48:20,736 Don't, don't lie, if not this, hanging.

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00:48:20,736 --> 00:48:23,500 So this was the way it goes.

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00:48:23,500 --> 00:48:26,750 So I worked there some--

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00:48:26,750 --> 00:48:28,520 a nice few months.

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00:48:28,520 --> 00:48:29,575 It was very hard.

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00:48:29,575 --> 00:48:34,104 In the morning, I went into the--

00:48:34,104 --> 00:48:36,440 I went in hungry.

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00:48:36,440 --> 00:48:41,830 In the lunchtime, they came with a wagon, some soup,

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00:48:41,830 --> 00:48:43,350 grass water, something.

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00:48:43,350 --> 00:48:47,500 Very, very [INAUDIBLE],, very, very [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:48:47,500 --> 00:48:52,770 So I worked maybe seven, eight months there.

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00:48:52,770 --> 00:48:58,130 But over there was one boy.

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00:48:58,130 --> 00:49:01,880 He made himself like a foreman.

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00:49:01,880 --> 00:49:04,700 And he put an eye on me to put me out.

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00:49:04,700 --> 00:49:09,830 Because each one liked to be worked up behind the roof,

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00:49:09,830 --> 00:49:11,690 not in the outside, cold.

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00:49:11,690 --> 00:49:14,380

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00:49:14,380 --> 00:49:16,340 But I was very afraid for it.

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00:49:16,340 --> 00:49:20,820 But went by [PERSONAL NAME] and he caught me.

00:49:20,820 --> 00:49:23,130 And I said, now--

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00:49:23,130 --> 00:49:24,285 now is the end.

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00:49:24,285 --> 00:49:25,665 Now is the end.

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00:49:25,665 --> 00:49:27,280 For I'd have to go.

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00:49:27,280 --> 00:49:29,040 And they put me up on the fourth floor.

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00:49:29,040 --> 00:49:30,970 The roof was only ripped up.

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00:49:30,970 --> 00:49:34,710 But the rest start knocking down the bricks.

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00:49:34,710 --> 00:49:41,590 And I was one, some like me, he told me, sit like on a horse

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00:49:41,590 --> 00:49:43,950 and knock down one by one.

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00:49:43,950 --> 00:49:46,320 Many fell down and was killed.

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00:49:46,320 --> 00:49:48,360 They was already liberated.

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00:49:48,360 --> 00:49:51,825 There was many falls like this.

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00:49:51,825 --> 00:49:54,150 But I saw this.

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00:49:54,150 --> 00:49:57,930

Everything I went by about this, I don't know if I can do it.

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00:49:57,930 --> 00:50:00,450 I don't know how

I did it somehow.

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00:50:00,450 --> 00:50:01,980

I have good luck.

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00:50:01,980 --> 00:50:08,100 I came back to the work, to the [NON-ENGLISH]..

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00:50:08,100 --> 00:50:13,660 We made such-- the targets was called, to carry the --

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00:50:13,660 --> 00:50:15,370 from place to place.

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00:50:15,370 --> 00:50:16,740 They worked like horses.

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00:50:16,740 --> 00:50:19,760

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00:50:19,760 --> 00:50:25,640 But later on, not long time, they took people [PLACE NAME]...

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00:50:25,640 --> 00:50:29,760 [PLACE NAME] was a-- taking people.

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00:50:29,760 --> 00:50:33,971 They brought in people from all over the world, Jews.

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00:50:33,971 --> 00:50:36,830 And when they brought, we would know right away

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00:50:36,830 --> 00:50:41,290 they will be sending out us.

00:50:41,290 --> 00:50:43,220

They looked all of over for people.

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00:50:43,220 --> 00:50:45,150 Was not enough for them.

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00:50:45,150 --> 00:50:47,990

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00:50:47,990 --> 00:50:53,420 If I would be there, I don't know, I wouldn't be alive.

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00:50:53,420 --> 00:50:57,800 For two, three times they came.

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00:50:57,800 --> 00:51:01,365 And the first was maybe 1,000 people working over there.

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00:51:01,365 --> 00:51:04,770 But then was such lower, lower, lower.

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00:51:04,770 --> 00:51:07,570 And I said, no, I will wait to the last.

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00:51:07,570 --> 00:51:08,440 Is no good.

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00:51:08,440 --> 00:51:09,300 I have to stop it.

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00:51:09,300 --> 00:51:13,890

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00:51:13,890 --> 00:51:16,050 I went out from there.

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00:51:16,050 --> 00:51:20,190

And I don't know by this

everything, had a little luck

1076 00:51:20,190 --> 00:51:22,020 maybe.

1077 00:51:22,020 --> 00:51:26,190 I home my parents, helped me got some.

1078 00:51:26,190 --> 00:51:30,280

1079 00:51:30,280 --> 00:51:31,870 So I went out.

1080 00:51:31,870 --> 00:51:33,640 Where to go?

1081 00:51:33,640 --> 00:51:36,440 A job to look for myself is very hard.

1082 00:51:36,440 --> 00:51:41,350 And I went in to the [INAUDIBLE],, it was called.

1083 00:51:41,350 --> 00:51:43,810 They made-- was over there so many woods.

1084 00:51:43,810 --> 00:51:45,670 They cut out woods.

1085 00:51:45,670 --> 00:51:50,050 Was the [NON-ENGLISH],, the [NON-ENGLISH] this had.

1086 00:51:50,050 --> 00:51:51,050 I worked there.

1087 00:51:51,050 --> 00:51:55,660 And I saw the group got smaller, and smaller, and smaller.

00:51:55,660 --> 00:52:00,310 But they gave three quarters of liter grass soup.

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00:52:00,310 --> 00:52:02,955 If you're not going to work at this house or not.

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00:52:02,955 --> 00:52:03,990 So I said--

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00:52:03,990 --> 00:52:07,710 I went like a dummy in many ways.

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00:52:07,710 --> 00:52:10,070 I come to [INAUDIBLE],, where the house he worked

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00:52:10,070 --> 00:52:11,230 was something like this.

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00:52:11,230 --> 00:52:12,760 I went like a dummy.

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00:52:12,760 --> 00:52:13,600 I went.

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00:52:13,600 --> 00:52:14,650 So what can I do?

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00:52:14,650 --> 00:52:16,150 I had no other choice.

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00:52:16,150 --> 00:52:18,930

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00:52:18,930 --> 00:52:21,430 Once they came.

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00:52:21,430 --> 00:52:24,140 The first people, which was, I don't know-- they forget

00:52:24,140 --> 00:52:26,205 or they didn't know better.

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00:52:26,205 --> 00:52:30,130 They stood by the big, big door.

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00:52:30,130 --> 00:52:33,370 Trucks was moving back and forth.

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00:52:33,370 --> 00:52:34,360 They looked in.

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00:52:34,360 --> 00:52:35,140 And went away.

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00:52:35,140 --> 00:52:37,150 When they was outside, they could do it.

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00:52:37,150 --> 00:52:39,480 From inside, they couldn't do it.

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00:52:39,480 --> 00:52:41,720 And I was in there.

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00:52:41,720 --> 00:52:44,550 Because it was a very bad situation.

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00:52:44,550 --> 00:52:50,260 I will not be no this little glass what else also not.

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00:52:50,260 --> 00:52:55,462 Come the day which they came and they took me out.

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00:52:55,462 --> 00:52:57,830 They caught me.

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00:52:57,830 --> 00:52:59,450 So I went.

00:52:59,450 --> 00:53:00,910 They put us in a barrack.

#### 1115

00:53:00,910 --> 00:53:05,530 They give a piece of bread, each one, and this little soup,

## 1116

00:53:05,530 --> 00:53:06,790 earlier.

## 1117

00:53:06,790 --> 00:53:09,040 And thinned out.

#### 1118

00:53:09,040 --> 00:53:11,440 Nobody was killed, no barrack you can

#### 1119

00:53:11,440 --> 00:53:14,590 find a live from those people.

#### 1120

00:53:14,590 --> 00:53:16,630 And I was there.

#### 1121

00:53:16,630 --> 00:53:19,050 I had a brother-in-law.

### 1122

00:53:19,050 --> 00:53:21,520 He worked over there.

## 1123

00:53:21,520 --> 00:53:23,830 I don't know, he had some connections.

#### 1124

00:53:23,830 --> 00:53:25,090 He was there.

## 1125

00:53:25,090 --> 00:53:27,670 And somebody went to him, look, look,

#### 1126

00:53:27,670 --> 00:53:30,600 I saw your brother-in-law going over there in the barrack.

00:53:30,600 --> 00:53:31,890 They send him in.

#### 1128

00:53:31,890 --> 00:53:33,670 He run and he took me out from there.

## 1129

00:53:33,670 --> 00:53:34,690 I can say God--

## 1130

00:53:34,690 --> 00:53:35,890 God helped.

#### 1131

00:53:35,890 --> 00:53:37,960 And he was the one who did it.

#### 1132

00:53:37,960 --> 00:53:40,900 If not, I would be who knows where.

#### 1133

00:53:40,900 --> 00:53:43,360 But this happened after you were hurt?

## 1134

00:53:43,360 --> 00:53:43,980 No, no, no.

#### 1135

00:53:43,980 --> 00:53:46,090 You hadn't gotten hurt yet from the--

#### 1136

00:53:46,090 --> 00:53:46,882 Oh, yes, the hurt--

#### 1137

00:53:46,882 --> 00:53:48,673 Why don't you tell us the story about that.

## 1138

00:53:48,673 --> 00:53:49,700 The hurt is before.

## 1139

00:53:49,700 --> 00:53:51,800 Tell me the story of that.

00:53:51,800 --> 00:53:52,740 About the [INAUDIBLE].

### 1141

00:53:52,740 --> 00:53:54,940 If you're going out-- if you're going out.

## 1142

00:53:54,940 --> 00:54:00,310 even some toilet, has to be five together.

## 1143

00:54:00,310 --> 00:54:05,770 Out from work, five in line.

### 1144

00:54:05,770 --> 00:54:10,050 And we steal a little food, you know.

#### 1145

00:54:10,050 --> 00:54:15,670 [INAUDIBLE] but he stealed it back then.

## 1146

00:54:15,670 --> 00:54:17,620 But later on, we saw what's going

### 1147

00:54:17,620 --> 00:54:21,220 on-- the hit, almost dead.

#### 1148

00:54:21,220 --> 00:54:24,340 So they threw it out.

## 1149

00:54:24,340 --> 00:54:28,050 How much would I could take to a [INAUDIBLE],,

#### 1150

00:54:28,050 --> 00:54:30,250 a little [INAUDIBLE].

### 1151

00:54:30,250 --> 00:54:33,030 So we walked us out, five.

# 1152

00:54:33,030 --> 00:54:36,810 And he was standing and came such a big, fat pig.

## 1153

00:54:36,810 --> 00:54:40,185 Folkes was his name.

## 1154

00:54:40,185 --> 00:54:43,100 And I don't know what he saw of me.

## 1155

00:54:43,100 --> 00:54:46,730 He took the key He stuck on the tip of the key

## 1156

00:54:46,730 --> 00:54:49,850 And so looking on the other side.

#### 1157

00:54:49,850 --> 00:54:53,210 And over the five, I was to the right side.

#### 1158

00:54:53,210 --> 00:54:56,826 And he over-- he hit me on the head.

## 1159

00:54:56,826 --> 00:54:59,730 I don't know, I was closer to the outside,

#### 1160

00:54:59,730 --> 00:55:01,700 to the exit at this time.

### 1161

00:55:01,700 --> 00:55:07,470 But I don't know how I made it to come back out.

#### 1162

00:55:07,470 --> 00:55:11,060 So this was that the production of them.

### 1163

00:55:11,060 --> 00:55:17,990 Once I was-- my brother, who's died,

## 1164

00:55:17,990 --> 00:55:24,860

he was working also by the what workers was called.

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00:55:24,860 --> 00:55:26,270 This is Polish.

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00:55:26,270 --> 00:55:28,130 Demolishing houses.

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00:55:28,130 --> 00:55:32,330 He said, you know what, come bring me a little soup.

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00:55:32,330 --> 00:55:36,560 And you will take home some wood.

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00:55:36,560 --> 00:55:37,880 So I went.

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00:55:37,880 --> 00:55:40,400 Was a little child at this time.

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00:55:40,400 --> 00:55:42,170 Had a little child.

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00:55:42,170 --> 00:55:46,250 He was hungry and cold.

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00:55:46,250 --> 00:55:48,510 Flies was in the millions maybe.

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00:55:48,510 --> 00:55:51,740 I told him, I made for him a little mattress.

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00:55:51,740 --> 00:55:53,900 This was your child?

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00:55:53,900 --> 00:55:55,100 Yeah, this was my child.

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00:55:55,100 --> 00:55:57,710 He was born in 1940--

00:55:57,710 --> 00:56:00,710 1940-- yes, 1940, he was born.

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00:56:00,710 --> 00:56:02,400 What was his name?

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00:56:02,400 --> 00:56:05,790 Yitzak.

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00:56:05,790 --> 00:56:08,030 And what can I tell you?

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00:56:08,030 --> 00:56:10,690 He didn't recognize-- he didn't recognize

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00:56:10,690 --> 00:56:15,054 in his life to even be satisfied with a piece of bread.

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00:56:15,054 --> 00:56:17,430 Papa, papa, he start crying, papa.

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00:56:17,430 --> 00:56:18,320 [INAUDIBLE]

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00:56:18,320 --> 00:56:20,980

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00:56:20,980 --> 00:56:23,170 The neighbors from the other side [INAUDIBLE],,

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00:56:23,170 --> 00:56:26,810 [INAUDIBLE] papa, papa.

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00:56:26,810 --> 00:56:27,900 I made for him this was.

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00:56:27,900 --> 00:56:29,480

How could I do it?

00:56:29,480 --> 00:56:33,670 I made for him in a corner a little mattress

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00:56:33,670 --> 00:56:36,676 and a little curtain.

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00:56:36,676 --> 00:56:39,360 There were so many flies, because was

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00:56:39,360 --> 00:56:41,540 garbage and things was--

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00:56:41,540 --> 00:56:42,395 millions of flies.

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00:56:42,395 --> 00:56:44,990

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00:56:44,990 --> 00:56:50,881 So I went to the brother to bring a piece of the wood.

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00:56:50,881 --> 00:56:55,700 And this was a strange, strange [INAUDIBLE] at all.

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00:56:55,700 --> 00:56:58,550 I wasn't there never.

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00:56:58,550 --> 00:57:02,300 In my soul, I had Jewish --

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00:57:02,300 --> 00:57:04,700 The kids was over there, [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:57:04,700 --> 00:57:09,320 He has over there kinderplaces, kindergarten,

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00:57:09,320 --> 00:57:10,820 or something like this.

00:57:10,820 --> 00:57:13,310 He kept them there and they were singing and dancing.

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00:57:13,310 --> 00:57:15,910 They learned and teach them some.

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00:57:15,910 --> 00:57:17,840 And I see a policeman.

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00:57:17,840 --> 00:57:18,870 a Jewish one.

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00:57:18,870 --> 00:57:20,240 He say, go straight.

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00:57:20,240 --> 00:57:22,670 And I went out fathers.

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00:57:22,670 --> 00:57:23,420 [INAUDIBLE]

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00:57:23,420 --> 00:57:26,780

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00:57:26,780 --> 00:57:28,060 In my hair already.

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00:57:28,060 --> 00:57:29,720 [NON-ENGLISH].

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00:57:29,720 --> 00:57:33,950 Oh, I say, no I am finished, [NON-ENGLISH]..

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00:57:33,950 --> 00:57:38,114 I start talking to him, he take a little [INAUDIBLE],,

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00:57:38,114 --> 00:57:42,160 and something, in a paper, what?

00:57:42,160 --> 00:57:45,980 [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH].

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00:57:45,980 --> 00:57:47,690 What does that mean?

### 1219

00:57:47,690 --> 00:57:54,290 Comes [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH],, kick them out.

## 1220

00:57:54,290 --> 00:57:55,250 [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH].

#### 1221

00:57:55,250 --> 00:57:57,050 And so [NON-ENGLISH].

#### 1222

00:57:57,050 --> 00:58:01,130 So he showed me to raise the wires and to go by.

#### 1223

00:58:01,130 --> 00:58:06,560 And the big-- the shotgun, he takes down right away.

#### 1224

00:58:06,560 --> 00:58:08,300 So I went other side of him.

## 1225

00:58:08,300 --> 00:58:10,050 What can I do?

#### 1226

00:58:10,050 --> 00:58:12,320 I went by, two hours.

#### 1227

00:58:12,320 --> 00:58:19,520 If somebody say gehennem there's nothing alike.

#### 1228

00:58:19,520 --> 00:58:21,980 He has-- he has--

### 1229

00:58:21,980 --> 00:58:27,540

00:58:27,540 --> 00:58:29,960 hours, was two hours to stay longer.

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00:58:29,960 --> 00:58:32,750 Comes out, the engineer from the work.

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00:58:32,750 --> 00:58:37,830 I say, [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH],, help me, help me.

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00:58:37,830 --> 00:58:41,590 [INAUDIBLE] some soup.

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00:58:41,590 --> 00:58:44,760 And sometimes-- and this was a Volksdeutsche.

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00:58:44,760 --> 00:58:46,160 This was the worstest thing.

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00:58:46,160 --> 00:58:49,080 There was such murder on Jews, terrible.

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00:58:49,080 --> 00:58:50,600 Volksdeutsche was the name.

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00:58:50,600 --> 00:58:53,970

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00:58:53,970 --> 00:58:58,070 He tried to talk to him, give him a cigarette.

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00:58:58,070 --> 00:59:02,660 Nothing-- he say, two hours somebody will change me.

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00:59:02,660 --> 00:59:03,500 He has to stay.

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00:59:03,500 --> 00:59:08,420 And he goes back and forth, back and forth, watching me.

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00:59:08,420 --> 00:59:09,380 And I had--

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00:59:09,380 --> 00:59:11,180 I had a good time.

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00:59:11,180 --> 00:59:14,370 The two hours was years.

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00:59:14,370 --> 00:59:15,215 The time went by.

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00:59:15,215 --> 00:59:18,080

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00:59:18,080 --> 00:59:23,240 Comes [INAUDIBLE] two meters high, for sure.

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00:59:23,240 --> 00:59:26,740 [INAUDIBLE] commander, death commando that was named.

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00:59:26,740 --> 00:59:30,860 They had a dead skeleton on his head.

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00:59:30,860 --> 00:59:32,660 He goes to him.

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00:59:32,660 --> 00:59:34,840 Salute.

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00:59:34,840 --> 00:59:37,940 [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH].

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00:59:37,940 --> 00:59:43,310 He said something, that I was to escape, he say.

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00:59:43,310 --> 00:59:44,980 But he said some word.

1256 00:59:44,980 --> 00:59:49,870 I don't know if alive. i first wish him or what.

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00:59:49,870 --> 00:59:52,970 So he doesn't think nothing.

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00:59:52,970 --> 00:59:56,750 I'll take him to [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]..

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00:59:56,750 --> 00:59:58,310 He told me not to [INAUDIBLE],, not

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00:59:58,310 --> 01:00:01,560 to talk when he came down [INAUDIBLE] to change him.

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01:00:01,560 --> 01:00:04,200 Don't talk, nothing, quiet.

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01:00:04,200 --> 01:00:06,350 But if I heard--

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01:00:06,350 --> 01:00:11,510 he told him to schlag to kill me, here.

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01:00:11,510 --> 01:00:14,120

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01:00:14,120 --> 01:00:16,840 Salute and goes away.

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01:00:16,840 --> 01:00:20,510 And he goes with the shotgun.

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01:00:20,510 --> 01:00:23,710 [INAUDIBLE]

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01:00:23,710 --> 01:00:27,650

I'm going never to

# [INAUDIBLE] with nerves.

### 1269

01:00:27,650 --> 01:00:31,370 The pot with this little soup.

## 1270

01:00:31,370 --> 01:00:36,540 In the meantime, I don't know, news, runs away.

#### 1271

01:00:36,540 --> 01:00:38,570 Goes out of wires.

#### 1272

01:00:38,570 --> 01:00:42,320 My brother hear from people they caught somebody, so and so.

### 1273

01:00:42,320 --> 01:00:45,500 But he didn't know this, I am.

#### 1274

01:00:45,500 --> 01:00:50,060 So when I came, he brought me over some [INAUDIBLE]

#### 1275

01:00:50,060 --> 01:00:52,910 and [INAUDIBLE] and things.

### 1276

01:00:52,910 --> 01:00:58,880 I remember a little kapichka a church,

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01:00:58,880 --> 01:01:01,370 a little church, red bricks.

### 1278

01:01:01,370 --> 01:01:04,370 I remember like now.

#### 1279

01:01:04,370 --> 01:01:07,280 He put me to the wall.

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01:01:07,280 --> 01:01:10,490 Not by the side, but in the front.

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01:01:10,490 --> 01:01:16,490

He take the shotgun to shot.

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01:01:16,490 --> 01:01:20,690 And I don't know, he did want kill me.

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01:01:20,690 --> 01:01:23,420 He did not want to kill me.

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01:01:23,420 --> 01:01:27,500 Something wasn't there, so good luck or what.

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01:01:27,500 --> 01:01:29,150 But he gave me--

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01:01:29,150 --> 01:01:34,910 he came back a few steps, and -- back and forth, back and forth.

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01:01:34,910 --> 01:01:37,940 I was such like a drunk, like I would be a narcotic.

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01:01:37,940 --> 01:01:41,330

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01:01:41,330 --> 01:01:43,220 He threw me down a little head.

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01:01:43,220 --> 01:01:47,430 I had such a rag on my head.

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01:01:47,430 --> 01:01:50,850 But he hit me so much, this woke me up.

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01:01:50,850 --> 01:01:54,050 Showed me to pick up.

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01:01:54,050 --> 01:01:57,800 And this was in wires also.

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01:01:57,800 --> 01:02:01,290

But the other side wires was the Jewish office.

1295 01:02:01,290 --> 01:02:09,520 [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH],, Go forward,

1296 01:02:09,520 --> 01:02:12,230 But I fell down and took the wire,

1297 01:02:12,230 --> 01:02:15,760 raised the wire a little bit.

1298 01:02:15,760 --> 01:02:20,550 But the rags which I had on my dressing was hanging.

1299 01:02:20,550 --> 01:02:23,900 And he hit me, hit me, and hit me.

1300 01:02:23,900 --> 01:02:27,740 But for I was on the other side, I say, oh, I'm alive.

1301 01:02:27,740 --> 01:02:30,950 I didn't know, but I'm alive.

1302 01:02:30,950 --> 01:02:35,410 So when I was outside, I saw I am alive.

1303 01:02:35,410 --> 01:02:36,000