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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:01,020

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00:00:01,020 --> 00:00:03,330
This is a continuation of
the United States Holocaust

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00:00:03,330 --> 00:00:05,850
Memorial Museum interview
with Wolfgang Mueller.

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00:00:05,850 --> 00:00:08,810
This is tape three,
side A. And you

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00:00:08,810 --> 00:00:10,810
said you were offered--
it's the end of the war.

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00:00:10,810 --> 00:00:12,960
You've been discharged,
and you were offered

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00:00:12,960 --> 00:00:15,710
a job back in Albuquerque.

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00:00:15,710 --> 00:00:17,550
Well, I came back to Wash--

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00:00:17,550 --> 00:00:22,470
First, I stopped in Kansas and
visited my brother in the army.

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00:00:22,470 --> 00:00:28,170
We had our pictures taken
together in uniform,

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00:00:28,170 --> 00:00:31,410
and then I made my way
back to Washington.

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00:00:31,410 --> 00:00:35,790
And I tried to--

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00:00:35,790 --> 00:00:37,470
I lived with my
mother, and I wanted

14
00:00:37,470 --> 00:00:40,740
to get on a boat coming
home and everything.

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00:00:40,740 --> 00:00:44,130
I was going to be a writer or
do something really fantastic

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00:00:44,130 --> 00:00:45,080
with my life.

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00:00:45,080 --> 00:00:49,680
And I wasn't going to
be a slave to anything

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00:00:49,680 --> 00:00:52,320
and really do something
really fabulous.

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00:00:52,320 --> 00:00:55,980
And then my mother knew
some really great people,

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00:00:55,980 --> 00:00:58,560
and she introduced me
to them, and I applied

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00:00:58,560 --> 00:01:00,520
for all these different jobs.

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00:01:00,520 --> 00:01:05,160
I never did manage to
get any of those jobs.

23
00:01:05,160 --> 00:01:07,550
I did get one job.

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00:01:07,550 --> 00:01:11,130
A guy promised me in
the real estate thing,

25
00:01:11,130 --> 00:01:13,540
and that was going to then--
he was going to Florida.

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00:01:13,540 --> 00:01:15,540
And he was going to
get me a better job.

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00:01:15,540 --> 00:01:18,330
And then when he came back, I
couldn't get together with him.

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00:01:18,330 --> 00:01:19,928
I didn't like what
he offered me.

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00:01:19,928 --> 00:01:20,970
I didn't want to do that.

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00:01:20,970 --> 00:01:25,510
So my brother-in-law, he
was in the meat business.

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00:01:25,510 --> 00:01:29,040
But he had rented the
slaughterhouse during the war

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00:01:29,040 --> 00:01:30,410
to the Giant food.

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00:01:30,410 --> 00:01:33,195

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00:01:33,195 --> 00:01:37,300
He got me a job in the Giant
food and road and rail cars.

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00:01:37,300 --> 00:01:40,780
So that's the first thing
I did, and I got a car.

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00:01:40,780 --> 00:01:45,150

37
00:01:45,150 --> 00:01:50,130
And then the Giant
food decided that they

38
00:01:50,130 --> 00:01:51,990
didn't need the
slaughterhouse anymore

39
00:01:51,990 --> 00:01:54,670
so I went to work for
my brother-in-law.

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00:01:54,670 --> 00:01:58,010
So that's how I got
into the food industry.

41
00:01:58,010 --> 00:02:01,510
And while I was working
for him, I met my wife,

42
00:02:01,510 --> 00:02:02,945
and I got married.

43
00:02:02,945 --> 00:02:04,630
Is your wife from Europe also?

44
00:02:04,630 --> 00:02:07,140
No, she's from here.

45
00:02:07,140 --> 00:02:09,940
Her great grandfather
is buried in Washington.

46
00:02:09,940 --> 00:02:12,370
Unusual, really Jewish.

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00:02:12,370 --> 00:02:15,400

And my Jewish identification
got much stronger

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00:02:15,400 --> 00:02:16,930

after I married her.

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00:02:16,930 --> 00:02:21,290

And then I don't know what
the hell she married me for.

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00:02:21,290 --> 00:02:22,290

She thought I had money.

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00:02:22,290 --> 00:02:24,280

She liked my accent.

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00:02:24,280 --> 00:02:26,400

I fooled her about that.

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00:02:26,400 --> 00:02:27,270

I didn't have any.

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00:02:27,270 --> 00:02:35,130

So then I worked in
the slaughterhouse,

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00:02:35,130 --> 00:02:40,560

and eventually, after both
of my children were born,

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00:02:40,560 --> 00:02:43,760

I quit there, and I went
in business for myself.

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00:02:43,760 --> 00:02:47,510

And then I was in the wholesale
meat business for myself,

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00:02:47,510 --> 00:02:53,660

and I retired from
that in 1976, 1977.

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00:02:53,660 --> 00:02:57,690

And I didn't have much to do
so I decided to real estate.

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00:02:57,690 --> 00:03:01,840

So real estate for
about 15 years.

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00:03:01,840 --> 00:03:06,130

And then my son-in-law, he
stayed in the meat business.

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00:03:06,130 --> 00:03:09,700

My daughter's husband, and
he did really well with it.

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00:03:09,700 --> 00:03:12,340

And he sold his partnership
in the meat business,

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00:03:12,340 --> 00:03:16,360

and he signed a covenant
that he couldn't sell meat

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00:03:16,360 --> 00:03:17,440

for 10 years.

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00:03:17,440 --> 00:03:23,660

He got paid for that, and he had
a chance to buy a fish company.

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00:03:23,660 --> 00:03:30,700

So we were very close, and he
said, dad, you have to help me.

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00:03:30,700 --> 00:03:32,802

He was a partner in
this other company.

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00:03:32,802 --> 00:03:34,510

If I do this, you
think should I do that?

70
00:03:34,510 --> 00:03:36,160
Yeah, let's do it.

71
00:03:36,160 --> 00:03:41,320
So that was six years ago
now, going on seven years.

72
00:03:41,320 --> 00:03:45,160
And we bought this fish
company in Jesup, Maryland.

73
00:03:45,160 --> 00:03:47,110
And we're doing
absolutely fantastic.

74
00:03:47,110 --> 00:03:49,060
It's very exciting.

75
00:03:49,060 --> 00:03:51,830
I'm very, very
busy selling fish.

76
00:03:51,830 --> 00:03:52,330
Wonderful.

77
00:03:52,330 --> 00:03:53,372
Because fish is not meat.

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00:03:53,372 --> 00:03:55,970
[LAUGHTER]

79
00:03:55,970 --> 00:04:01,060
Before we finish, let's talk
about some of your feelings.

80
00:04:01,060 --> 00:04:03,760
What some of your thoughts are.

81
00:04:03,760 --> 00:04:10,720
Do you think you have
changed religiously

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00:04:10,720 --> 00:04:13,720
since what you were as a
child and a young person?

83
00:04:13,720 --> 00:04:17,980
Because of what
background you come from?

84
00:04:17,980 --> 00:04:23,470
No, I don't think I've changed
very much about anything

85
00:04:23,470 --> 00:04:24,730
that way.

86
00:04:24,730 --> 00:04:30,010
I think what has
changed now is I'm

87
00:04:30,010 --> 00:04:34,140
really proud of being a Jew.

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00:04:34,140 --> 00:04:35,700
Really proud.

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00:04:35,700 --> 00:04:37,080
It's no more a curse.

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00:04:37,080 --> 00:04:40,140
It's no more a curse as you
thought when you were younger.

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00:04:40,140 --> 00:04:43,380
I don't have to be--
and I know I will never

92
00:04:43,380 --> 00:04:46,620
be afraid of anything
or anybody again.

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00:04:46,620 --> 00:04:48,570

I've been afraid.

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00:04:48,570 --> 00:04:52,290

I mean, in that respect,
I've maybe learned something.

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00:04:52,290 --> 00:04:53,310

That's a great feeling.

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00:04:53,310 --> 00:04:55,950

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00:04:55,950 --> 00:04:58,170

And I think after I
went through what I did,

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00:04:58,170 --> 00:04:59,880

and I think from the
stories that I've

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00:04:59,880 --> 00:05:03,690

told you and my feelings, I
was never scared of anything.

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00:05:03,690 --> 00:05:06,600

Never scared of
going into business,

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00:05:06,600 --> 00:05:10,530

taking huge risks in business,
and making a pile of money,

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00:05:10,530 --> 00:05:12,090

and losing a pile of money.

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00:05:12,090 --> 00:05:14,700

That's never bothered me.

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00:05:14,700 --> 00:05:16,620

Finding a girl that
I wanted and just

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00:05:16,620 --> 00:05:18,690
going ahead and marrying her.

106
00:05:18,690 --> 00:05:20,680
Or do whatever I wanted to do.

107
00:05:20,680 --> 00:05:22,350
I've done those things.

108
00:05:22,350 --> 00:05:25,710
And I really am
living a great life,

109
00:05:25,710 --> 00:05:27,900
and I think that's
the way to live.

110
00:05:27,900 --> 00:05:31,680
And as far as the religious
part is concerned, I mean,

111
00:05:31,680 --> 00:05:34,440
I'm a Jew, and I'm
very comfortable

112
00:05:34,440 --> 00:05:36,990
in a traditional,
Jewish environment.

113
00:05:36,990 --> 00:05:43,520
But I'm also a
modern person, and I

114
00:05:43,520 --> 00:05:47,780
know that I'm not hung
up on ritual and stuff

115
00:05:47,780 --> 00:05:52,970
like that, on what somebody
says you're supposed to do this

116
00:05:52,970 --> 00:05:53,970
and supposed to do that.

117
00:05:53,970 --> 00:05:56,210
I don't go for that at all.

118
00:05:56,210 --> 00:06:00,080
And like for example,
I give you for example.

119
00:06:00,080 --> 00:06:04,460
My mother died on
January 10, 1970.

120
00:06:04,460 --> 00:06:09,200
It was just a few
days ago 28 years ago.

121
00:06:09,200 --> 00:06:13,250
So I said my mother
died 20 years ago.

122
00:06:13,250 --> 00:06:15,200
I want to light a candle.

123
00:06:15,200 --> 00:06:17,720
So my wife says, well,
it's not her yahrzeit.

124
00:06:17,720 --> 00:06:19,760
You haven't got a
card from the shul.

125
00:06:19,760 --> 00:06:22,160
I said it is her yahrzeit.

126
00:06:22,160 --> 00:06:24,710
I'm lighting a candle.

127
00:06:24,710 --> 00:06:28,160
That's the extent
of my religion.

128
00:06:28,160 --> 00:06:29,110

I do it my way.

129
00:06:29,110 --> 00:06:32,510

130
00:06:32,510 --> 00:06:38,240
Is it painful for you
to think back about some

131
00:06:38,240 --> 00:06:40,550
of the sights and
smells and sulfur

132
00:06:40,550 --> 00:06:43,370
that you saw when you
were in these labor camps?

133
00:06:43,370 --> 00:06:45,410
Is that painful for you
to think about that?

134
00:06:45,410 --> 00:06:49,470

135
00:06:49,470 --> 00:06:50,610
Any kind of stuff--

136
00:06:50,610 --> 00:06:52,800
it's a detached feeling.

137
00:06:52,800 --> 00:06:54,160
It's not personal.

138
00:06:54,160 --> 00:06:56,490
I personally didn't
experienced that,

139
00:06:56,490 --> 00:07:00,840
and I think it's an interesting
question that you ask.

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00:07:00,840 --> 00:07:04,860

Like for example, when we
read my grandmother's letters

141
00:07:04,860 --> 00:07:08,310
before she went to the camp
and stories in the books,

142
00:07:08,310 --> 00:07:10,860
my sister goes to pieces.

143
00:07:10,860 --> 00:07:12,040
And she can't stand it.

144
00:07:12,040 --> 00:07:13,740
She doesn't want any
parts of Germany.

145
00:07:13,740 --> 00:07:17,145
I don't feel that way.

146
00:07:17,145 --> 00:07:18,550
I'm not built that way.

147
00:07:18,550 --> 00:07:20,940
It doesn't touch
me that way at all.

148
00:07:20,940 --> 00:07:25,730
It's something that happened,
and we have to deal with it.

149
00:07:25,730 --> 00:07:27,630
You know what I mean?

150
00:07:27,630 --> 00:07:29,358
Whatever it is, it's painful.

151
00:07:29,358 --> 00:07:29,900
It's painful.

152
00:07:29,900 --> 00:07:31,190
My mother died.

153
00:07:31,190 --> 00:07:33,260
My father died.

154
00:07:33,260 --> 00:07:35,810
Terrible things happen in life.

155
00:07:35,810 --> 00:07:37,010
I've been fortunate.

156
00:07:37,010 --> 00:07:43,760
I mean, I have always
avoided personal suffering

157
00:07:43,760 --> 00:07:45,050
to a very large extent.

158
00:07:45,050 --> 00:07:47,910
I've always gotten
along really well.

159
00:07:47,910 --> 00:07:52,360
But I'm not that way.

160
00:07:52,360 --> 00:07:54,800
I'm hard.

161
00:07:54,800 --> 00:07:55,580
Are you hard--

162
00:07:55,580 --> 00:07:56,900
And honest about it.

163
00:07:56,900 --> 00:08:02,450
Are you hard because of what you
had to do as a young teenager

164
00:08:02,450 --> 00:08:04,460
to leave your family?

165
00:08:04,460 --> 00:08:07,390

Do you think that led to it
as a contributing factor?

166
00:08:07,390 --> 00:08:11,520

167
00:08:11,520 --> 00:08:17,600
I think in every person's life,
there's all kinds of trauma.

168
00:08:17,600 --> 00:08:20,120
There was trauma
in my life because

169
00:08:20,120 --> 00:08:23,360
of the terrible marriage my
father and my mother had.

170
00:08:23,360 --> 00:08:28,370
And I think that was much
stronger to me personally,

171
00:08:28,370 --> 00:08:30,590
and these are the things
that you're talking about.

172
00:08:30,590 --> 00:08:33,270
Of course, all of it
contributed to it.

173
00:08:33,270 --> 00:08:37,380
And of course, it was a
trauma to be a Jew in Germany.

174
00:08:37,380 --> 00:08:39,350
But I think it did toughen me.

175
00:08:39,350 --> 00:08:41,960
I think I'm so hard because
of all these things.

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00:08:41,960 --> 00:08:44,710

177
00:08:44,710 --> 00:08:47,160
I think that has made
me very, very hard.

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00:08:47,160 --> 00:08:55,520

179
00:08:55,520 --> 00:08:58,520
I went to the--

180
00:08:58,520 --> 00:09:02,960
they had a Holocaust thing
at Frostburg College,

181
00:09:02,960 --> 00:09:05,337
and my granddaughter was a
manager of the whole thing,

182
00:09:05,337 --> 00:09:06,920
and they had hundreds
of people there.

183
00:09:06,920 --> 00:09:09,380
It was a huge success.

184
00:09:09,380 --> 00:09:14,540
And they had a couple there
that was from Schindler's List,

185
00:09:14,540 --> 00:09:15,960
and they spoke.

186
00:09:15,960 --> 00:09:18,540
And she's done it
for several years.

187
00:09:18,540 --> 00:09:22,700
As a matter of fact, the year
before, Regina, next door,

188
00:09:22,700 --> 00:09:25,790

had been there and talked
to them and everything.

189
00:09:25,790 --> 00:09:27,790
It's like a terrific
thing that she does.

190
00:09:27,790 --> 00:09:30,440
Because she's a great
girl, my granddaughter.

191
00:09:30,440 --> 00:09:34,940
And they did all this
stuff, and people talked.

192
00:09:34,940 --> 00:09:36,090
And I talked to them.

193
00:09:36,090 --> 00:09:38,000
We had dinner with them.

194
00:09:38,000 --> 00:09:41,930
And then I found out that they
were getting \$5,000 for coming

195
00:09:41,930 --> 00:09:45,230
there, and they were getting
all the expenses paid,

196
00:09:45,230 --> 00:09:46,423
and they do it all the time.

197
00:09:46,423 --> 00:09:47,840
And that's how
they make a living.

198
00:09:47,840 --> 00:09:51,360

199
00:09:51,360 --> 00:09:54,180
What can I tell you?

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00:09:54,180 --> 00:09:56,880
(LAUGHS)

201
00:09:56,880 --> 00:10:02,040
When your children were
the age that you were,

202
00:10:02,040 --> 00:10:07,920
14, 15, 16 when things were
getting bad in Germany,

203
00:10:07,920 --> 00:10:09,090
and you were then--

204
00:10:09,090 --> 00:10:10,680
when conditions
were getting bad,

205
00:10:10,680 --> 00:10:13,700
and you saw the Hitler
posters and so forth.

206
00:10:13,700 --> 00:10:14,200
Did that--

207
00:10:14,200 --> 00:10:15,240
You mean, when I was little?

208
00:10:15,240 --> 00:10:16,380
My children weren't little.

209
00:10:16,380 --> 00:10:21,270
No, no, no, when your children
became the age that you were.

210
00:10:21,270 --> 00:10:22,650
Yes.

211
00:10:22,650 --> 00:10:25,260
When you were going
through a difficult time.

212

00:10:25,260 --> 00:10:28,200
Did that bring it
back to you in time?

213
00:10:28,200 --> 00:10:29,970
Did it make you think
of your childhood

214
00:10:29,970 --> 00:10:34,770
again when your
children were that age?

215
00:10:34,770 --> 00:10:41,540
No, no, at that time I was
very busy making a living.

216
00:10:41,540 --> 00:10:42,470
Very busy.

217
00:10:42,470 --> 00:10:44,420
I was working day
and night trying

218
00:10:44,420 --> 00:10:47,570
to make some money in
order to support my family.

219
00:10:47,570 --> 00:10:49,800
And I didn't think about that.

220
00:10:49,800 --> 00:10:52,410
But I did notice one
thing about my children.

221
00:10:52,410 --> 00:10:56,200
My daughter in particular.

222
00:10:56,200 --> 00:10:58,960
We were in Glen
Echo once years ago

223
00:10:58,960 --> 00:11:02,800
and they didn't allow

Colored people in Glen Echo,

224

00:11:02,800 --> 00:11:06,130
and my children were furious.

225

00:11:06,130 --> 00:11:08,830
And they feel like they
had those kind of feelings,

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00:11:08,830 --> 00:11:10,900
and my daughter's
very, very active

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00:11:10,900 --> 00:11:12,820
in [? Washington ?]
Hebrew Congregation.

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00:11:12,820 --> 00:11:14,980
She's on the board of
directors and all that stuff.

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00:11:14,980 --> 00:11:18,220
My son-in-law, he's
a great guy, but he

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00:11:18,220 --> 00:11:20,470
talks like a terrible bigot.

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00:11:20,470 --> 00:11:23,890
He hates Blacks, and he talks
about them all the time.

232

00:11:23,890 --> 00:11:26,740
And you should hear how
my daughter lies into him.

233

00:11:26,740 --> 00:11:28,870
She doesn't stand
for that stuff.

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00:11:28,870 --> 00:11:35,140
And my children
have a lot of me.

235
00:11:35,140 --> 00:11:38,310

236
00:11:38,310 --> 00:11:40,300
Are your political--

237
00:11:40,300 --> 00:11:41,910
You don't have to tell them.

238
00:11:41,910 --> 00:11:43,260
They know.

239
00:11:43,260 --> 00:11:44,400
My children know.

240
00:11:44,400 --> 00:11:51,560
Are your political views today
influenced by your background?

241
00:11:51,560 --> 00:11:53,930
Well, obviously.

242
00:11:53,930 --> 00:11:56,690
How could it not
be any other way?

243
00:11:56,690 --> 00:12:00,200
I'm certainly for
freedom, and I don't

244
00:12:00,200 --> 00:12:04,080
believe in vested interests,
and things like that.

245
00:12:04,080 --> 00:12:07,520
And I believe in a
lot of opportunity.

246
00:12:07,520 --> 00:12:10,020
I believe in a free country.

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00:12:10,020 --> 00:12:13,250

I believe in everything that
the American Constitution

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00:12:13,250 --> 00:12:14,690

believes in.

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00:12:14,690 --> 00:12:18,910

And I would fight
anybody for that.

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00:12:18,910 --> 00:12:21,260

And I will not stand
for anything, anybody,

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00:12:21,260 --> 00:12:23,472

to step on any of it.

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00:12:23,472 --> 00:12:25,670

Not even a little bit.

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00:12:25,670 --> 00:12:28,190

You said earlier that you've
become more right wing

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00:12:28,190 --> 00:12:29,240

as you've gotten older.

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00:12:29,240 --> 00:12:31,160

Yeah, I am.

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00:12:31,160 --> 00:12:32,390

I am.

257

00:12:32,390 --> 00:12:37,220

I'm definitely for Israel.

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00:12:37,220 --> 00:12:39,920

And I'm for the
rights of the Israelis

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00:12:39,920 --> 00:12:43,370
to have a country over
there, and I support it

260
00:12:43,370 --> 00:12:45,135
in every way I can.

261
00:12:45,135 --> 00:12:49,430
And I'm for the Holocaust
Museum, and I went to the--

262
00:12:49,430 --> 00:12:52,610
maybe we should finish
up on this note.

263
00:12:52,610 --> 00:12:56,330
I'm a contributor, and
everybody in my family is.

264
00:12:56,330 --> 00:12:58,760
We all are strong
contributors to the museum.

265
00:12:58,760 --> 00:13:01,310

266
00:13:01,310 --> 00:13:04,310
I had the opportunity
to go to the dedication.

267
00:13:04,310 --> 00:13:06,410
I was one of the
people that was there.

268
00:13:06,410 --> 00:13:08,120
The dedication was
a terrible day.

269
00:13:08,120 --> 00:13:09,320
Were you there?

270
00:13:09,320 --> 00:13:11,520
It was raining and awful.

271
00:13:11,520 --> 00:13:14,360
And I saw those seven
presidents and their wives

272
00:13:14,360 --> 00:13:17,880
sitting on that beam
there, on the platform.

273
00:13:17,880 --> 00:13:22,490
And it was a great day for
me, and I said to my wife,

274
00:13:22,490 --> 00:13:23,930
you know something?

275
00:13:23,930 --> 00:13:25,730
I can't believe it, but we won.

276
00:13:25,730 --> 00:13:29,700

277
00:13:29,700 --> 00:13:30,710
And that's how I feel.

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00:13:30,710 --> 00:13:35,895

279
00:13:35,895 --> 00:13:36,770
Are you comfortable--

280
00:13:36,770 --> 00:13:40,220
At one time, it didn't seem
like we would ever win.

281
00:13:40,220 --> 00:13:42,470
No, we did.

282
00:13:42,470 --> 00:13:43,545
It was a lost cause.

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00:13:43,545 --> 00:13:46,230

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00:13:46,230 --> 00:13:47,915

I was part of a lost cause.

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00:13:47,915 --> 00:13:48,960

A lost people.

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00:13:48,960 --> 00:13:50,880

A lost cause.

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00:13:50,880 --> 00:13:56,310

For [? Phalen, ?]

but it turned around.

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00:13:56,310 --> 00:14:00,610

So now I know that
things do turn around.

289

00:14:00,610 --> 00:14:03,380

Are you comfortable when
you go back to Germany?

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00:14:03,380 --> 00:14:06,440

Yes, no problem.

291

00:14:06,440 --> 00:14:11,730

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00:14:11,730 --> 00:14:12,660

No problem at all.

293

00:14:12,660 --> 00:14:15,360

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00:14:15,360 --> 00:14:19,910

So you don't bring
any preconceptions?

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00:14:19,910 --> 00:14:28,290

No, no, sometimes I think,

the first trip in '65

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00:14:28,290 --> 00:14:30,000

I had twinges of that.

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00:14:30,000 --> 00:14:32,460

I think maybe another
trip and my wife

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00:14:32,460 --> 00:14:35,610

and I went for the first
time to a little a town.

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00:14:35,610 --> 00:14:37,830

And we went to some
of these restaurants,

300

00:14:37,830 --> 00:14:41,130

and we saw twinges of it.

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00:14:41,130 --> 00:14:46,200

But I see, in this
last time, there

302

00:14:46,200 --> 00:14:48,810

was this guy that
had a bakery shop.

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00:14:48,810 --> 00:14:51,060

And his grandfather
already bought his flour

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00:14:51,060 --> 00:14:53,580

from my grandfather,
great grandfather.

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00:14:53,580 --> 00:14:54,930

Big, big fat guy.

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00:14:54,930 --> 00:14:56,490

Looks like Jerry Snyder.

307

00:14:56,490 --> 00:14:58,810
So I became friendly with him.

308
00:14:58,810 --> 00:15:02,670
We kidded around and
laughed and drank together.

309
00:15:02,670 --> 00:15:04,620
And then the morning--

310
00:15:04,620 --> 00:15:07,020
I'm an early riser because
I'm in the food business

311
00:15:07,020 --> 00:15:11,250
and very early in the morning
there, I left the town.

312
00:15:11,250 --> 00:15:14,790
I went back to the little
village, and I looked for him,

313
00:15:14,790 --> 00:15:20,290
and he was back in his
bakery place baking bread.

314
00:15:20,290 --> 00:15:21,670
And we were talking.

315
00:15:21,670 --> 00:15:23,608
We're talking German.

316
00:15:23,608 --> 00:15:24,900
We talked about a lot of stuff.

317
00:15:24,900 --> 00:15:26,520
He traveled all over the world.

318
00:15:26,520 --> 00:15:28,230
With a lot in common.

319
00:15:28,230 --> 00:15:31,590

And then I thanked him for
coming to the dedication

320
00:15:31,590 --> 00:15:33,820
the day before.

321
00:15:33,820 --> 00:15:36,010
And he said, yeah.

322
00:15:36,010 --> 00:15:38,950
It's very, very lot of
insight about what you saying,

323
00:15:38,950 --> 00:15:40,480
he said to me.

324
00:15:40,480 --> 00:15:44,005
He said, I wanted to come.

325
00:15:44,005 --> 00:15:48,070
A lot of the fellows here said
that you shouldn't go there

326
00:15:48,070 --> 00:15:48,670
for that.

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00:15:48,670 --> 00:15:51,400

328
00:15:51,400 --> 00:15:52,690
But I didn't care.

329
00:15:52,690 --> 00:15:53,950
I wanted to come.

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00:15:53,950 --> 00:15:56,600

331
00:15:56,600 --> 00:16:00,120
I wanted to come.

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00:16:00,120 --> 00:16:02,520
And I hugged him, and I
thanked him, and I left.

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00:16:02,520 --> 00:16:05,490

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00:16:05,490 --> 00:16:09,922
But you see, all the
people are like that.

335
00:16:09,922 --> 00:16:11,030
People have killed.

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00:16:11,030 --> 00:16:13,940

337
00:16:13,940 --> 00:16:18,130
Do you feel German
in any way today?

338
00:16:18,130 --> 00:16:20,500
No, I don't feel
German, but I still

339
00:16:20,500 --> 00:16:22,720
like a lot of German things.

340
00:16:22,720 --> 00:16:24,800
I like good white wine.

341
00:16:24,800 --> 00:16:26,500
I like salami.

342
00:16:26,500 --> 00:16:28,480
I like it when I'm
in a German hotel.

343
00:16:28,480 --> 00:16:29,680
I like the service.

344
00:16:29,680 --> 00:16:32,090

I like the European way.

345
00:16:32,090 --> 00:16:36,670
I feel very, very good
with a lot of those things.

346
00:16:36,670 --> 00:16:39,490
And yeah, I do.

347
00:16:39,490 --> 00:16:42,340
I like a lot of positive
things about it that I like.

348
00:16:42,340 --> 00:16:44,800
My wife can tell you
more about it than I can.

349
00:16:44,800 --> 00:16:45,685
But, yes.

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00:16:45,685 --> 00:16:48,650

351
00:16:48,650 --> 00:16:49,880
We have to go.

352
00:16:49,880 --> 00:16:51,350
OK.

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00:16:51,350 --> 00:16:53,450
We have to terminate it now.

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00:16:53,450 --> 00:16:56,150
Yes, well, thank you very
much for doing the interview.

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00:16:56,150 --> 00:16:57,570
OK, I enjoyed it.

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00:16:57,570 --> 00:17:00,600
Thank you for taking all
this time and trouble.

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00:17:00,600 --> 00:17:02,120

I hope it was worthwhile.

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00:17:02,120 --> 00:17:03,890

It certainly was.

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00:17:03,890 --> 00:17:08,620

This concludes the interview
of Wolfgang [Mueller.

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00:17:08,620 --> 00:17:11,000