

RG-50.120 #032 3 Tapes
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Tape I

- 1.01 Was born in Katowitz in 1921. Father was coal merchant. Had 3 brothers and a sister. Describes childhood, schools and Zionist youth group.
- 1.09 Describes education in youth group. Names of leaders.
- 1.20 1939 escaped from Germany to Warsaw. Describes bombardment and surrender of Warsaw. Returned to Sochaczew[?] Sosnowicz?[near Katowitz] and organized Jewish education.
- 1.32 Conflict with Judenrat who gave order to send youth to labor camps in Germany.
- 1.39 His brother started underground in 1940 and was killed in Warsaw.
- 1.45 Youth group started to talk about resistance to Germans.
- 1.47 1943 in ghetto Soshowitz, describes activities of resistance group.
- 1.50 Describes activities of Judenrat who collaborated with Germans.
- 1.57 1942 first transport of 2000 Jews to Auschwitz, including his parents. He is selected out to work for Germans. Describes sabotage activities.
- 2.02 1942 Describes assembly place with selection of 8000 for transport to Auschwitz.
- 2.30 March 1943. Describes conflict with Judenrat and function of Merin who was its head.
- 2.46 Plans for resistance and escape. Cooperation between youth groups.
- 3.15 His escape from the ghetto and work in Austria with fake ID.
- 3.38 Went to Vienna and became leader at underground group.
- 3.50 He is caught and sent to concentration camp near Vienna. He escapes to Gratz.

Tape II

- 4.04 He passes as a doctor and works in hospital in Gratz.
- 4.15 Describes his life in Gratz and mutual help between underground youth groups.
- 4.20 Describes Hungary's treatment of Jews before 1944. He escapes to Hungary and joins group in Budapest.

- 4.37 Group functions in Budapest. Names of leaders. Plans to join partisans in Yugoslavia.
- 4.48 Information that England and the US had about extermination of Jews.
- 4.50 March 1944, Germans enter Hungary. His group stayed in Mocash. Describes life and actions, getting weapons, preparing bunker. Attempts to get people out of Roumania.
- 5.16 Arrests and experiences in various detention centers. His release as a non-Jew.
- 5.35 Activities of Wallenberg, Kastner and Brandt.
- 5.41 Oct 1944, retreat of Germans and advance by Russians.
- 5.49 Jan 1945, liberation by Russians.
- 5.51-8.08 [no interruption] Operation of killing traitors and life in Budapest, his arrest by Russians as a German. He was released and returned to Katowitz to look for his sister. He visited Auschwitz and decided to revenge.
- 8.21 He went to Munich and organized a revenge group of 12 people. They found war criminals, tried and executed them.

Tape III

- 9.03 1945, after the war. Describes motivation for revenge.
- 9.06 1946 – Asher Ben Nathan came to Vienna with a list of 150 war criminals and their pictures. Arthur, Tuvia Friedman and he pursued these criminals, tried and executed them.
- 9.12 Met with Arthur in Salzburg and got mission to find Eichman. Describes his operation.
- 9.30 1949, Emil Brig, Shenkman and himself went to Israel and organized revenge group to kill war criminals who had been released for lack of evidence. They were later told by the Israeli government to discontinue their activities.