

RG-50.120 #122 2 Tapes
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- 1.01 He was born in Moscow to a bourgoise family. He remembers the Revolution and Lenin's funeral. His family were Zionists. Father bought land in Palestine.
- 1.06 After the Russian Revolution, the family went to Paris. He went to French boarding school. When he was 21 he worked in large oil company.
- 1.09 He joined the army when he was 27, also got married. In July 1939 he went to the front for 9 months.
- 1.14 Describes the atmosphere in the army and in Paris.
- 1.20 Describes the Jewish life of his family. Not orthodox, but religious. They were Zionists. His wife's family lived in Palestine. He belonged to the Jewish Zionist scouts led by Robert Gamzon.
- 1.23 In May he tried to escape to Morocco with other French prominents from Bordeaux but was unable to do so. He met with his wife in Toulouse.
- 1.27 He was 4 years in the Jewish underground. His activities. People in the underground: Knut, Lublin, Roitman and others. He arranged forged papers to help Jews escape over the Pyrenees. Haim Pasner financed some of the activities.
- 1.36 Describes their life in Toulouse.
- 1.39 He moved to Marseilles and joined the French Resistance.
- 1.43 He rejoined the Jewish resistance and from 1942-44 worked to get people to Switzerland.
- 1.47 Describes the organization of the underground. He handled the false papers for the 'Combat' group.
- 1.53 Describes period on Marseilles. Work with monasteries that hid groups of children.
- 2.03 1942. The Jewish community distrusted. Petain and various underground groups organized.
- 2.28 He left Marseilles and went to Nice and then to Aiz le Bain[?]. Worked with Gamzon and Levi to develop an escape route for groups of children into Switzerland. Describes. His sister was caught and died in Mauthausen. At the end of the war he worked on reuniting the children with their families.

- 2.40 Describes his work with children. The financing of their activities.
- 2.50 Describes escorting a group of children.
- 2.55 Non-Jews who helped their activities.
- 3.01 Describes two women, Mila and Marianne and their work with the children.
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- 3.05 Describes getting children into Switzerland through Anmass[?], which was at the German border and not far from Geneva across the border. Germans caught people at the border.
- 3.08 The mayor of Anmass helped their activities. Describes.
- 3.12 After the war ended, he organized the reunification of children with their families.
- 3.17 Different functions of the Jewish and the French underground groups.
- 3.20 His activities in the Scout underground group.
- 3.23 The financing of the underground groups.
- 3.33 Describes his contact with the mayor of Anmass who helped save hundreds of children.
- 3.41 His sisters' activities in the underground.
- 3.47 His views of anti-Semitism in France and the world.
- 3.50 Talks about Jewish activists Fisher, Bloom and Y[?]ardbloom.
- 4.03 His activities in Nice and Aix le Bain.
- 4.10 Talks about his connection with the underground in Lyon and Grenoble.
- 4.21 Describes escape routed through Spain.
- 4.23 Present day contact with people he saved and worked with.
- 4.26 Repeats story about meeting Petain.
- 4.28 Came to Israel in 1951 and started Israel Oil Company.