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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:10,120

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00:00:10,120 --> 00:00:13,840
My name is Annelies Herzl.

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00:00:13,840 --> 00:00:23,020
I lived in Amsterdam, in 1943,
after having been released

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00:00:23,020 --> 00:00:26,890
from the concentration
camp Vught

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00:00:26,890 --> 00:00:34,060
I met a Dutch retired officer
by the name of Dick Nolte, who

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00:00:34,060 --> 00:00:36,910
offered to hide me.

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00:00:36,910 --> 00:00:43,750
I was at first very reluctant
to put my life into his hands,

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00:00:43,750 --> 00:00:48,190
hoping I would re-meet my
mother and brother, who

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00:00:48,190 --> 00:00:53,120
at that time still in
the concentration camp

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00:00:53,120 --> 00:00:55,690
Vught in Holland.

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00:00:55,690 --> 00:00:59,890
When the last Jews were
picked up in Amsterdam,

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00:00:59,890 --> 00:01:04,069

I remembered the man
saying, you will never

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00:01:04,069 --> 00:01:08,800
re-meet with your
brother and mother.

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00:01:08,800 --> 00:01:12,550
Let me take care of you.

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00:01:12,550 --> 00:01:17,020
I rang his doorbell.

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00:01:17,020 --> 00:01:20,650
He lived in the
[? Cliostraat. ?]

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00:01:20,650 --> 00:01:23,650
He invited me to come in.

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00:01:23,650 --> 00:01:26,860
His second sentence
was, you will never

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00:01:26,860 --> 00:01:29,110
be able to leave my home.

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00:01:29,110 --> 00:01:32,980
Now that anyone might
have seen you to enter,

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00:01:32,980 --> 00:01:36,250
I cannot let you leave again.

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00:01:36,250 --> 00:01:38,470
I protested and
said, I want to go

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00:01:38,470 --> 00:01:43,030
home, which was on [PLACE NAME],,
pick up some of my clothing

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00:01:43,030 --> 00:01:44,740
and I will return.

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00:01:44,740 --> 00:01:46,780
He said, you don't
need any clothing.

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00:01:46,780 --> 00:01:49,420
The Dutch underground
will supply you

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00:01:49,420 --> 00:01:54,410
with all necessary toilet
articles and clothing.

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00:01:54,410 --> 00:01:56,850
I spent one night
in the Nolte home.

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00:01:56,850 --> 00:02:00,610
As I said before, they
were a retired couple

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00:02:00,610 --> 00:02:03,616
that were living
there with a maid, Jo.

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00:02:03,616 --> 00:02:09,280
They trusted Jo blindly and
felt that she would never

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00:02:09,280 --> 00:02:11,860
betray them.

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00:02:11,860 --> 00:02:17,630
The next day, a young man
whom I have never met,

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00:02:17,630 --> 00:02:25,480
Herard Braum was able
to take me from the home

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00:02:25,480 --> 00:02:33,670

in the [? Cliostraat ?] to
Amsterdam Central Station,

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00:02:33,670 --> 00:02:37,570
and we went by train to Utrecht.

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00:02:37,570 --> 00:02:42,610
In Utrecht, I was placed in a
home of the [? Kasteleins. ?]

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00:02:42,610 --> 00:02:50,500
Mr. [? Kastelein ?] was the
administrator of the [DUTCH]

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00:02:50,500 --> 00:02:52,360
Utrecht.

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00:02:52,360 --> 00:02:55,060
The family had five children.

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00:02:55,060 --> 00:03:01,090
The youngest was seven months
the oldest was 14 years.

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00:03:01,090 --> 00:03:05,140
I worked as their maid.

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00:03:05,140 --> 00:03:07,630
They shared their food with me.

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00:03:07,630 --> 00:03:09,520
Through the
underground they were

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00:03:09,520 --> 00:03:12,790
able to give me food stamps.

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00:03:12,790 --> 00:03:16,450
After having been with
them for many months,

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00:03:16,450 --> 00:03:19,700

a letter was put in
their mailbox that said,

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00:03:19,700 --> 00:03:21,790
we will see you tonight.

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00:03:21,790 --> 00:03:24,370
I fled their home.

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00:03:24,370 --> 00:03:29,170
Five hours after I fled their
home, their home was searched

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00:03:29,170 --> 00:03:31,870
but there was not a
trace to be found.

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00:03:31,870 --> 00:03:35,830
I was then placed in Utrecht
through the underground

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00:03:35,830 --> 00:03:39,400
with a Mrs. [PERSONAL NAME],,
who was an elderly, very

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00:03:39,400 --> 00:03:41,590
religious Catholic lady.

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00:03:41,590 --> 00:03:43,510
I stayed with her
for some months.

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00:03:43,510 --> 00:03:46,000
They had at that
time difficulties

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00:03:46,000 --> 00:03:48,200
finding a home for me.

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00:03:48,200 --> 00:03:54,340
They did find a home for me
through the same man Herard

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00:03:54,340 --> 00:03:58,720

Braum, who had taken me
from Amsterdam to Utrecht.

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00:03:58,720 --> 00:04:04,090

He came again and took me
from Utrecht via Appeldoorn

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00:04:04,090 --> 00:04:09,400

to Hoenderloo, where I stayed
with Dr. and Mrs. Suiters

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00:04:09,400 --> 00:04:11,590

and their three young children.

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00:04:11,590 --> 00:04:13,720

I was in their
home until we were

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00:04:13,720 --> 00:04:19,959

liberated in May
of 1945 Hoenderloo

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00:04:19,959 --> 00:04:22,210

by the Canadian army.

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00:04:22,210 --> 00:04:26,080

All these Dutch
families had children,

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00:04:26,080 --> 00:04:29,260

shared their food
with me, and mainly

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00:04:29,260 --> 00:04:32,140

risked their lives for mine.

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00:04:32,140 --> 00:04:36,640

I have spent my life wondering
would I ever have the courage

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00:04:36,640 --> 00:04:39,760

to do what these people
have done for me,

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00:04:39,760 --> 00:04:44,440
and I've come to the conclusion
that I most likely would not

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00:04:44,440 --> 00:04:49,230
be able to do what
these people did for me.

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00:04:49,230 --> 00:05:13,000