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Interviewee: MILLER, Arnold J. Date: April 21, 1985¹

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SUMMARY

Arnold J. Miller served in the 245th Combat Engineers of the United States 3rd Army in Austria. He went to Ebensee concentration camp, on his own, one day after it was liberated. A Jewish physician, who had served as a camp doctor, showed him the camp and told him about the brutal treatment of the prisoners. Mr. Miller vividly describes what he saw: prisoners who looked like walking skeletons, mass graves, and crematoria. Once the survivors realized he was Jewish, they told him their experiences. Later, he briefly stopped at a work camp for women and relates the testimony of a Russian soldier who had seen atrocities in Dachau and Auschwitz.

Mr. Miller mentions his experiences while stationed in the Army of Occupation in Bavaria in 1945. Because he spoke their language, he had several interesting encounters with German citizens.

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