

1  
00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:34,610

2  
00:00:34,610 --> 00:00:35,497  
Worker.

3  
00:00:35,497 --> 00:00:43,450

4  
00:00:43,450 --> 00:00:47,490  
So you were telling me  
about the Kinderaktion.

5  
00:00:47,490 --> 00:00:47,990  
Yes.

6  
00:00:47,990 --> 00:00:51,240

7  
00:00:51,240 --> 00:00:54,240  
I stayed home because  
of the bad cold.

8  
00:00:54,240 --> 00:00:59,310  
And had I worked  
anyplace else, I

9  
00:00:59,310 --> 00:01:01,920  
would certainly have  
reported to work,

10  
00:01:01,920 --> 00:01:09,450  
because it was  
unforgivable to miss work.

11  
00:01:09,450 --> 00:01:13,340  
It could have had  
harsh consequences.

12  
00:01:13,340 --> 00:01:18,430

13

00:01:18,430 --> 00:01:25,240  
The young couple who shared  
the room with my father and me,

14

00:01:25,240 --> 00:01:27,370  
because we had  
already been relocated

15

00:01:27,370 --> 00:01:33,670  
to another place as the ghetto  
had been made smaller a year

16

00:01:33,670 --> 00:01:37,900  
or so predating this date.

17

00:01:37,900 --> 00:01:40,860

18

00:01:40,860 --> 00:01:45,740  
So the only people  
in this one room

19

00:01:45,740 --> 00:01:50,540  
that I was sharing  
with, like I said,

20

00:01:50,540 --> 00:01:53,660  
other people, other  
families, was also

21

00:01:53,660 --> 00:01:58,430  
occupied by an  
elderly couple who

22

00:01:58,430 --> 00:02:01,400  
didn't work outside the ghetto.

23

00:02:01,400 --> 00:02:08,539  
Who were the guardians  
of a young granddaughter

24

00:02:08,539 --> 00:02:13,760  
who may have been three,  
four or five years old.

25  
00:02:13,760 --> 00:02:17,270

26  
00:02:17,270 --> 00:02:19,130  
A very good child.

27  
00:02:19,130 --> 00:02:21,750  
I never saw her during the day.

28  
00:02:21,750 --> 00:02:28,130  
But I didn't-- nobody even knew  
there was a child in the room.

29  
00:02:28,130 --> 00:02:29,975  
She was so quiet.

30  
00:02:29,975 --> 00:02:34,950

31  
00:02:34,950 --> 00:02:39,290  
The people left that morning  
were the elderly couple,

32  
00:02:39,290 --> 00:02:45,600  
the little girl, and I. The  
three of us were all dressed.

33  
00:02:45,600 --> 00:02:46,985  
The little girl  
I don't remember.

34  
00:02:46,985 --> 00:02:49,970

35  
00:02:49,970 --> 00:02:53,480  
Whatever time it was, but it was  
early in the morning, maybe 8

36

00:02:53,480 --> 00:02:56,360  
o'clock, I look out the window.

37  
00:02:56,360 --> 00:03:04,310  
And I see buses lining up down  
the street, trucks, buses.

38  
00:03:04,310 --> 00:03:10,190  
And Germans jumping  
out with dogs.

39  
00:03:10,190 --> 00:03:13,100  
And one of those trucks--

40  
00:03:13,100 --> 00:03:19,000

41  
00:03:19,000 --> 00:03:28,220  
I don't remember whether it  
had a cover on the back or not.

42  
00:03:28,220 --> 00:03:36,280  
Anyway, one of those trucks  
stops before our house.

43  
00:03:36,280 --> 00:03:43,850  
Out jump the Germans in their  
shiny boots, grim faces.

44  
00:03:43,850 --> 00:03:49,880  
And momentarily, they  
barge into the kitchen,

45  
00:03:49,880 --> 00:03:51,530  
a very small kitchen.

46  
00:03:51,530 --> 00:03:58,160  
They barge in there and  
barge into the bedroom.

47  
00:03:58,160 --> 00:04:05,070  
And they survey  
the room and say--

48  
00:04:05,070 --> 00:04:11,450  
tell the three of us, because  
the child was already hidden,

49  
00:04:11,450 --> 00:04:21,440  
the three adults, to stand and  
explain why we're not at work.

50  
00:04:21,440 --> 00:04:23,840  
The elderly couple, to the  
best of my recollection,

51  
00:04:23,840 --> 00:04:27,620  
did not have a steady workplace.

52  
00:04:27,620 --> 00:04:35,270  
I think they earned their bread,  
their meager bread, by doing--

53  
00:04:35,270 --> 00:04:40,030

54  
00:04:40,030 --> 00:04:43,510  
they were sawing wood for  
other people who needed--

55  
00:04:43,510 --> 00:04:45,250  
who brought home logs.

56  
00:04:45,250 --> 00:04:48,970  
Maybe had smuggled out some  
logs from the workplace.

57  
00:04:48,970 --> 00:04:56,230  
And the elderly man  
had a good saw, which

58  
00:04:56,230 --> 00:04:57,940  
he sharpened all the time.

59  
00:04:57,940 --> 00:05:04,300

And they went around doing  
this intermittent work.

60  
00:05:04,300 --> 00:05:06,910  
And always took the  
little girl along.

61  
00:05:06,910 --> 00:05:16,480  
Well, they must have realized  
that these trucks bode no good.

62  
00:05:16,480 --> 00:05:20,260  
I mean, especially  
for the little girl,

63  
00:05:20,260 --> 00:05:23,320  
because at that time, there  
were very few children

64  
00:05:23,320 --> 00:05:25,000  
left in the ghetto.

65  
00:05:25,000 --> 00:05:29,870

66  
00:05:29,870 --> 00:05:35,210  
Frantically, the grandmother  
had put the little girl

67  
00:05:35,210 --> 00:05:39,530  
into the bed that was  
shared by all three,

68  
00:05:39,530 --> 00:05:45,020  
and had heaped all the  
blankets and quilts.

69  
00:05:45,020 --> 00:05:47,680

70  
00:05:47,680 --> 00:05:51,820  
Well, actually, she had  
made it so it would look

71  
00:05:51,820 --> 00:05:56,035  
that it was just a made-up bed.

72  
00:05:56,035 --> 00:06:01,360

73  
00:06:01,360 --> 00:06:09,820  
So first of all, one of  
the soldiers or officers

74  
00:06:09,820 --> 00:06:14,620  
confronts me and wants to know  
why I'm not at my workplace.

75  
00:06:14,620 --> 00:06:15,985  
Fortunately, I was dressed.

76  
00:06:15,985 --> 00:06:19,750

77  
00:06:19,750 --> 00:06:23,590  
I showed him my work permit.

78  
00:06:23,590 --> 00:06:26,500  
But what I said  
to him, I do not--

79  
00:06:26,500 --> 00:06:28,190  
I don't know.

80  
00:06:28,190 --> 00:06:39,230  
I was stunned, petrified,  
and my heart was racing.

81  
00:06:39,230 --> 00:06:45,120  
I am sure it could be seen  
through what I was wearing.

82  
00:06:45,120 --> 00:06:48,300  
I think at one time it  
actually stopped beating.

83  
00:06:48,300 --> 00:06:51,030

84  
00:06:51,030 --> 00:06:53,520  
He left me alone.

85  
00:06:53,520 --> 00:06:56,740  
He gave the grandparents  
a stern look.

86  
00:06:56,740 --> 00:06:59,790  
Perhaps he admonished me  
to not stay home anymore,

87  
00:06:59,790 --> 00:07:02,880  
that this could carry  
grave consequences,

88  
00:07:02,880 --> 00:07:04,650  
but I really don't remember.

89  
00:07:04,650 --> 00:07:09,630  
But he spoke to me sternly  
then shoved me away or out

90  
00:07:09,630 --> 00:07:11,355  
of the way.

91  
00:07:11,355 --> 00:07:14,280  
The grandparents, he left--

92  
00:07:14,280 --> 00:07:16,710  
said something in a  
harsh language to them,

93  
00:07:16,710 --> 00:07:20,220  
left them alone, then  
started tearing up the room.

94  
00:07:20,220 --> 00:07:22,890



95  
00:07:22,890 --> 00:07:25,320  
I think all three did that.

96  
00:07:25,320 --> 00:07:27,720  
They tore up the room.

97  
00:07:27,720 --> 00:07:33,480  
And it didn't take them  
any time to tear apart

98  
00:07:33,480 --> 00:07:39,570  
the bed clothes to come  
upon the little girl

99  
00:07:39,570 --> 00:07:46,110  
and dragged her out.

100  
00:07:46,110 --> 00:07:47,640  
When they made sure  
there is nobody

101  
00:07:47,640 --> 00:07:52,560  
else hiding and nothing  
else was to be found,

102  
00:07:52,560 --> 00:07:59,120  
they dragged her out  
towards this truck.

103  
00:07:59,120 --> 00:08:13,520  
And the grandmother ran  
after them, fell down--

104  
00:08:13,520 --> 00:08:15,200  
fell on her knees.

105  
00:08:15,200 --> 00:08:18,510

106  
00:08:18,510 --> 00:08:30,270  
Begged, pleaded, cried, wailed,

followed them out to the truck

107  
00:08:30,270 --> 00:08:33,150  
to the curb.

108  
00:08:33,150 --> 00:08:42,840  
And one of the soldiers  
either used his gun or a club

109  
00:08:42,840 --> 00:08:45,570  
and hit her.

110  
00:08:45,570 --> 00:08:47,590  
And she fell to the ground.

111  
00:08:47,590 --> 00:08:51,090  
She fell down in the street.

112  
00:08:51,090 --> 00:08:55,787  
The truck took off, and  
she was left behind.

113  
00:08:55,787 --> 00:08:56,870  
They took the little girl.

114  
00:08:56,870 --> 00:09:00,260  
There were other  
children on the truck.

115  
00:09:00,260 --> 00:09:02,570  
I could see that  
from the window.

116  
00:09:02,570 --> 00:09:05,330  
After I had seen that, I  
didn't want to see anymore.

117  
00:09:05,330 --> 00:09:10,430

118  
00:09:10,430 --> 00:09:13,940  
I know the grandmother

came back in.

119

00:09:13,940 --> 00:09:18,410

And it was probably the  
greatest human tragedy

120

00:09:18,410 --> 00:09:23,510

that I have seen before my eyes.

121

00:09:23,510 --> 00:09:28,280

And so three weeks later, you?

122

00:09:28,280 --> 00:09:35,840

Three weeks later, shortly  
thereafter the kinder Aktion,

123

00:09:35,840 --> 00:09:41,960

my father decided that there  
was no hope for anybody

124

00:09:41,960 --> 00:09:46,610

to stay alive in the ghetto.

125

00:09:46,610 --> 00:09:50,240

And it would be--

126

00:09:50,240 --> 00:09:57,106

it was time for me to make  
arrangements to escape.

127

00:09:57,106 --> 00:10:00,740

Do you want to hear about that?

128

00:10:00,740 --> 00:10:04,730

Oh, that was easier  
said than done.

129

00:10:04,730 --> 00:10:11,360

It was very hard to find a  
family, a Lithuanian family,

130

00:10:11,360 --> 00:10:13,760

who would provide shelter.

131  
00:10:13,760 --> 00:10:15,260  
For good reason.

132  
00:10:15,260 --> 00:10:21,740  
They would put their own  
lives into grave danger.

133  
00:10:21,740 --> 00:10:28,250  
Harboring a Jew was almost a--

134  
00:10:28,250 --> 00:10:29,900  
what is it?

135  
00:10:29,900 --> 00:10:30,920  
Well, a death sentence.

136  
00:10:30,920 --> 00:10:34,420

137  
00:10:34,420 --> 00:10:39,760  
And so there was one  
hurdle, to find a place,

138  
00:10:39,760 --> 00:10:44,170  
to find a person willing  
to provide shelter.

139  
00:10:44,170 --> 00:10:48,580  
The other hurdle was to  
get out of the ghetto.

140  
00:10:48,580 --> 00:10:51,490  
All gates were guarded.

141  
00:10:51,490 --> 00:10:54,430  
It was difficult to  
slip through the fence.

142  
00:10:54,430 --> 00:10:59,770  
There are guard towers that

are manned at all times.

143  
00:10:59,770 --> 00:11:08,860  
And there were ways to  
slip out with a work group,

144  
00:11:08,860 --> 00:11:11,560  
or work brigade, as  
they were called,

145  
00:11:11,560 --> 00:11:15,340  
that worked outside  
of the ghetto.

146  
00:11:15,340 --> 00:11:19,810  
And with the knowledge--

147  
00:11:19,810 --> 00:11:22,900  
it was usually best that with  
the knowledge of the group

148  
00:11:22,900 --> 00:11:27,130  
leader one could  
slip away either

149  
00:11:27,130 --> 00:11:30,775  
to do some trading,  
bartering, get food.

150  
00:11:30,775 --> 00:11:41,410

151  
00:11:41,410 --> 00:11:42,560  
Eight Mark.

152  
00:11:42,560 --> 00:11:51,860

153  
00:11:51,860 --> 00:11:55,930  
So you could get out  
with the work brigade.

154

00:11:55,930 --> 00:11:57,570  
Yes.

155  
00:11:57,570 --> 00:12:00,770  
So the preliminary plans  
that had to be made

156  
00:12:00,770 --> 00:12:08,270  
were to establish contact  
with a former bookkeeper who

157  
00:12:08,270 --> 00:12:13,160  
had worked for my  
dad in my hometown.

158  
00:12:13,160 --> 00:12:16,190  
Perhaps it's somewhat  
reminiscent of the Frank

159  
00:12:16,190 --> 00:12:19,530  
family's bookkeeper.

160  
00:12:19,530 --> 00:12:26,690  
This was a very  
devoted former employee

161  
00:12:26,690 --> 00:12:29,270  
who had known me since--

162  
00:12:29,270 --> 00:12:34,910  
practically since I was  
born, and had always

163  
00:12:34,910 --> 00:12:37,880  
allowed me to have the run  
of the office, and type on--

164  
00:12:37,880 --> 00:12:41,990  
and play on every typewriter  
that I could find.

165  
00:12:41,990 --> 00:12:44,150  
She had married a Lithuanian.

166  
00:12:44,150 --> 00:12:53,990  
She was herself a German  
of Russian German descent

167  
00:12:53,990 --> 00:12:55,640  
who had married a  
Lithuanian and had

168  
00:12:55,640 --> 00:12:58,940  
moved to Kovno  
after her marriage,

169  
00:12:58,940 --> 00:13:05,420  
after Memel had been retaken  
by the Germans in 1939.

170  
00:13:05,420 --> 00:13:12,230  
And my dad had found out that  
her husband occasionally came

171  
00:13:12,230 --> 00:13:15,830  
to the ghetto on some business.

172  
00:13:15,830 --> 00:13:18,150  
I'm not quite sure what it was.

173  
00:13:18,150 --> 00:13:20,210  
But there were some work--

174  
00:13:20,210 --> 00:13:26,690

175  
00:13:26,690 --> 00:13:29,140  
what is it?

176  
00:13:29,140 --> 00:13:32,020  
I can think of the German word.

177  
00:13:32,020 --> 00:13:34,795  
[SPEAKING GERMAN]

178

00:13:34,795 --> 00:13:36,070

Workshops.

179

00:13:36,070 --> 00:13:42,400

Yes, workshops, exactly, where  
German uniforms were repaired.

180

00:13:42,400 --> 00:13:46,540

And perhaps other  
repair work was done.

181

00:13:46,540 --> 00:13:51,700

And the bookkeeper's husband,  
[? Maita's ?] husband,

182

00:13:51,700 --> 00:13:54,430

occasionally came to the ghetto.

183

00:13:54,430 --> 00:13:58,420

My father could not  
contact him personally,

184

00:13:58,420 --> 00:14:01,840

because my father did not  
work inside the ghetto.

185

00:14:01,840 --> 00:14:04,480

He worked at the airfield.

186

00:14:04,480 --> 00:14:09,550

But I believe that he  
passed on written messages

187

00:14:09,550 --> 00:14:16,840

to be delivered to  
[? Maita's ?] husband asking him

188

00:14:16,840 --> 00:14:18,970

if there was a way--

189

00:14:18,970 --> 00:14:22,120

if they knew of anybody



who would take me in.

190  
00:14:22,120 --> 00:14:27,390  
And the reply came back  
a short while later

191  
00:14:27,390 --> 00:14:34,680  
that if I could find a way out--  
a safe way out of the ghetto,

192  
00:14:34,680 --> 00:14:38,550  
that I could stay with  
[? Maita ?] and her husband

193  
00:14:38,550 --> 00:14:42,450  
in Kaunas in their  
very own apartment.

194  
00:14:42,450 --> 00:14:43,980  
At least for a while.

195  
00:14:43,980 --> 00:14:49,170  
Maybe later, they would  
find a safer place for me

196  
00:14:49,170 --> 00:14:51,600  
in the country, perhaps.

197  
00:14:51,600 --> 00:14:59,330  
But that happened April or May.

198  
00:14:59,330 --> 00:15:01,710  
I think it was in April.

199  
00:15:01,710 --> 00:15:05,180  
So very hasty  
arrangements were made.

200  
00:15:05,180 --> 00:15:06,770  
None by me.

201  
00:15:06,770 --> 00:15:09,830

All done by my father, to  
whom I really owe my life.

202  
00:15:09,830 --> 00:15:13,790

203  
00:15:13,790 --> 00:15:18,290  
He found a work brigade that  
worked outside the ghetto.

204  
00:15:18,290 --> 00:15:22,460  
The group leader was  
willing to let me join

205  
00:15:22,460 --> 00:15:24,620  
his group on a certain day.

206  
00:15:24,620 --> 00:15:29,200

207  
00:15:29,200 --> 00:15:36,050  
His group was guarded by several  
German guards, some of whom

208  
00:15:36,050 --> 00:15:41,900  
had shown a shred of  
humanity in the past

209  
00:15:41,900 --> 00:15:47,390  
and had let people not  
connected with the group

210  
00:15:47,390 --> 00:15:58,720  
either leave the group before  
they got to their workplace.

211  
00:15:58,720 --> 00:16:08,890  
And so I left with--

212  
00:16:08,890 --> 00:16:13,180  
I went to the place of assembly.

213

00:16:13,180 --> 00:16:16,060  
It was a small group.

214  
00:16:16,060 --> 00:16:20,950  
Unfortunately, I don't remember  
the group's leader's name.

215  
00:16:20,950 --> 00:16:23,380  
But I do know that  
they had to cross

216  
00:16:23,380 --> 00:16:29,720  
a small river from the ghetto  
to get to their workplace.

217  
00:16:29,720 --> 00:16:30,985  
So all of us--

218  
00:16:30,985 --> 00:16:32,695  
it must have been  
the river Neris.

219  
00:16:32,695 --> 00:16:36,720

220  
00:16:36,720 --> 00:16:44,940  
The group, 10 or 15  
people at the most,

221  
00:16:44,940 --> 00:16:49,620  
all sat down in a row boat.

222  
00:16:49,620 --> 00:16:52,590  
And the boat crossed the river.

223  
00:16:52,590 --> 00:16:56,870

224  
00:16:56,870 --> 00:17:00,200  
I don't know if the guard  
had been bribed or not.

225

00:17:00,200 --> 00:17:02,060  
I don't know that.

226  
00:17:02,060 --> 00:17:07,730  
Some guards would take a bribe  
and would look the other way.

227  
00:17:07,730 --> 00:17:12,859  
Some would take a bribe and  
would not look the other way.

228  
00:17:12,859 --> 00:17:16,268

229  
00:17:16,268 --> 00:17:23,300  
I also had to have somebody help  
me to take off the yellow star.

230  
00:17:23,300 --> 00:17:26,750  
Both of them, front and  
back, had been pinned on.

231  
00:17:26,750 --> 00:17:30,290  
I could certainly handle the one  
in the front, needed somebody

232  
00:17:30,290 --> 00:17:33,170  
to help me with the  
star in the back.

233  
00:17:33,170 --> 00:17:36,800  
And I didn't know  
that, but a dear friend

234  
00:17:36,800 --> 00:17:38,840  
was in that work group.

235  
00:17:38,840 --> 00:17:41,270  
And she sat behind me.

236  
00:17:41,270 --> 00:17:48,740  
So I asked her, would she  
remove the pins from the star.

237  
00:17:48,740 --> 00:17:49,340  
She did.

238  
00:17:49,340 --> 00:17:51,640  
She wished me good  
luck, embraced me.

239  
00:17:51,640 --> 00:17:55,780

240  
00:17:55,780 --> 00:17:58,420  
She survived.

241  
00:17:58,420 --> 00:17:59,540  
She was in Israel.

242  
00:17:59,540 --> 00:18:03,000  
I don't know if  
she's still alive.

243  
00:18:03,000 --> 00:18:06,930  
Her name was [? Shainale ?]  
[? Suvolsky. ?] She had been

244  
00:18:06,930 --> 00:18:08,175  
one of my mother's nurses.

245  
00:18:08,175 --> 00:18:11,220

246  
00:18:11,220 --> 00:18:16,320  
Well, we reached the other  
side of the river at the--

247  
00:18:16,320 --> 00:18:17,550  
yes.

248  
00:18:17,550 --> 00:18:25,020  
Everybody got out and regrouped.

249

00:18:25,020 --> 00:18:33,750  
And I stayed behind and hid  
behind some bushes, waited

250  
00:18:33,750 --> 00:18:36,120  
until everybody had left.

251  
00:18:36,120 --> 00:18:43,200  
And our meeting place  
had been previously

252  
00:18:43,200 --> 00:18:49,910  
discussed and designated.

253  
00:18:49,910 --> 00:18:56,000  
It was on the major  
highway just a few feet

254  
00:18:56,000 --> 00:19:00,230  
from the small river  
where [? Maita ?] would

255  
00:19:00,230 --> 00:19:03,215  
be waiting in a carriage.

256  
00:19:03,215 --> 00:19:08,170

257  
00:19:08,170 --> 00:19:12,010  
And as soon as we  
saw each other,

258  
00:19:12,010 --> 00:19:18,220  
we had to just get  
on with our journey.

259  
00:19:18,220 --> 00:19:22,870  
There was I guess  
a coachman who--

260  
00:19:22,870 --> 00:19:26,650

261

00:19:26,650 --> 00:19:30,040

that was the only  
transportation available.

262

00:19:30,040 --> 00:19:37,610

Very few civilian cars  
were available in the city.

263

00:19:37,610 --> 00:19:39,490

So she was sitting  
there waiting for me.

264

00:19:39,490 --> 00:19:40,390

I jumped in.

265

00:19:40,390 --> 00:19:43,270

We didn't say a word.

266

00:19:43,270 --> 00:19:49,520

Both of us must have been  
very, very tense and very,

267

00:19:49,520 --> 00:19:51,310

very scared.

268

00:19:51,310 --> 00:19:58,180

And she signaled that  
we were ready to get

269

00:19:58,180 --> 00:20:00,100

to her destination.

270

00:20:00,100 --> 00:20:05,560

And not one word was exchanged  
during the whole trip

271

00:20:05,560 --> 00:20:08,410

until we got to her place.

272

00:20:08,410 --> 00:20:13,280

And incidentally, she had  
a very, very nice place.

273  
00:20:13,280 --> 00:20:22,480  
And once we got  
there, we regrouped.

274  
00:20:22,480 --> 00:20:30,210  
And she gave me some coffee  
and revived my spirits.

275  
00:20:30,210 --> 00:20:32,020  
I think both of  
us were trembling

276  
00:20:32,020 --> 00:20:35,800  
when we made it up the stairs.

277  
00:20:35,800 --> 00:20:39,565  
And many things happened  
in that apartment also.

278  
00:20:39,565 --> 00:20:43,270

279  
00:20:43,270 --> 00:20:47,350  
Ostensibly, I was going  
to be the maid there.

280  
00:20:47,350 --> 00:20:50,380  
I had my own room.

281  
00:20:50,380 --> 00:20:55,300  
And I certainly was not  
treated like a maid.

282  
00:20:55,300 --> 00:21:06,340  
But for anybody who visited, I  
had to play the role of a maid.

283  
00:21:06,340 --> 00:21:10,040  
And for the most  
part, I did that well.

284



00:21:10,040 --> 00:21:11,830  
I found out late--

285  
00:21:11,830 --> 00:21:18,190  
yes, she told me that because  
the apartment was so large--

286  
00:21:18,190 --> 00:21:24,610  
it really was a luxury apartment  
on the main street in Kaunas--

287  
00:21:24,610 --> 00:21:32,650  
they had to give up one room  
to an SS woman who worked

288  
00:21:32,650 --> 00:21:35,530  
in the civilian administration.

289  
00:21:35,530 --> 00:21:39,370  
And of course she told  
me to be very careful

290  
00:21:39,370 --> 00:21:43,060  
and not to let on  
that I understood

291  
00:21:43,060 --> 00:21:45,160  
a syllable of German.

292  
00:21:45,160 --> 00:21:50,990  
That I was there as the  
newly hired Lithuanian maid.

293  
00:21:50,990 --> 00:21:54,460  
I think she gave me a  
kerchief to tie around

294  
00:21:54,460 --> 00:21:57,910  
my head and apron.

295  
00:21:57,910 --> 00:22:02,540  
And some coarse clothes,  
because I certainly

296  
00:22:02,540 --> 00:22:04,640  
didn't bring any clothes.

297  
00:22:04,640 --> 00:22:05,750  
I didn't have any clothes.

298  
00:22:05,750 --> 00:22:08,630

299  
00:22:08,630 --> 00:22:12,590  
So yes, I had to be very  
careful around this very

300  
00:22:12,590 --> 00:22:18,410  
arrogant I think SS woman.

301  
00:22:18,410 --> 00:22:21,070

302  
00:22:21,070 --> 00:22:24,340  
And I helped in the kitchen.

303  
00:22:24,340 --> 00:22:27,080  
I was very pleasant.

304  
00:22:27,080 --> 00:22:31,780  
I stayed out of  
sight when somebody

305  
00:22:31,780 --> 00:22:35,200  
visited, went to my room.

306  
00:22:35,200 --> 00:22:41,800  
Until one day,  
[? Maita ?] had a visitor.

307  
00:22:41,800 --> 00:22:44,170  
A trusted friend.

308  
00:22:44,170 --> 00:22:46,320

A German woman.

309

00:22:46,320 --> 00:24:52,374