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00:00:00,000 \longrightarrow 00:01:03,150
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00:01:03,150 \longrightarrow 00:01:03,720
OK.
00:01:03,720 --> 00:01:06,990
Can you describe this for us?
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00:01:06,990 --> 00:01:15,870
Well, this is the inside of
the synagogue, which goes back
00:01:15,870 --> 00:01:22,650
to the year 1,000 or 1,200.
6
00:01:22,650 --> 00:01:27,300
It's been burned down
and rebuilt several times
00:01:27,300 --> 00:01:29,580
over the years.
00:01:29,580 --> 00:01:33,900
And this is the Torah shrine.
00:01:33,900 --> 00:01:36,690
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00:01:36,690 --> 00:01:38,730
And the men's section.
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00:01:38,730 --> 00:01:43,530
It was-- it's an
Orthodox synagogue.
00:01:43,530 \longrightarrow 00:01:44,130
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Separate.

 $00:01:44,130 \longrightarrow 00:01:45,260$

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This is the men's segment--

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00:01:45,260 --> 00:01:47,160 men's section.

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00:01:47,160 --> 00:01:50,220 And this photograph-- I mean, I know it's a postcard-- but can

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00:01:50,220 --> 00:01:52,980 you give-- do you know when this picture was

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00:01:52,980 --> 00:01:53,910 taken approximately?

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00:01:53,910 --> 00:01:54,420 What year?

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00:01:54,420 --> 00:01:54,840 Do you have any idea?

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00:01:54,840 --> 00:01:55,920 Have to look at the back of the photo.

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00:01:55,920 --> 00:01:56,320 Oh, look at the back.

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00:01:56,320 --> 00:01:57,720 Let's look at the back.

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00:01:57,720 --> 00:01:58,890 I think it's recent.

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00:01:58,890 --> 00:02:01,880 OK.

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00:02:01,880 --> 00:02:03,950 Actually, it doesn't say.

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00:02:03,950 --> 00:02:08,240 It just says the year that it was built, which is 1,213.

27 00:02:08,240 --> 00:02:08,870 OK.

28 00:02:08,870 --> 00:02:10,610 That's all right.

29 00:02:10,610 --> 00:02:15,560 I think this is the renovated one, which was rebuilt sometime

30 00:02:15,560 --> 00:02:19,200 in the 1960s, late '60s.

31 00:02:19,200 --> 00:02:21,150 Yeah, I think in the '60s.

32 00:02:21,150 --> 00:02:22,780 OK.

33 00:02:22,780 --> 00:02:23,990 And?

34 00:02:23,990 --> 00:02:33,470 And this is the Jewish cemetery, with actually the dome

35 00:02:33,470 --> 00:02:39,290 of the Lutheran dome in the background.

36 00:02:39,290 --> 00:02:43,790 But that cemetery goes back to I think further

37 00:02:43,790 --> 00:02:47,190 than the synagogue.

38 00:02:47,190 --> 00:02:48,870 I think it does give some information

39 00:02:48,870 --> 00:02:50,017 on the back of the card.

40 00:02:50,017 --> 00:02:58,800

41 00:02:58,800 --> 00:03:00,098 Nope.

42 00:03:00,098 --> 00:03:01,140 Just says what's-- just--

43 00:03:01,140 --> 00:03:01,395 OK.

44 00:03:01,395 --> 00:03:02,353 --that it's a cemetery.

45 00:03:02,353 --> 00:03:03,360 All right.

46 00:03:03,360 --> 00:03:05,880 In this book, I have.

47 00:03:05,880 --> 00:03:12,160 There's one from the year 1,076 and one from the year 1,086.

48 00:03:12,160 --> 00:03:12,660 Wow.

49 00:03:12,660 --> 00:03:13,380 Let's get a shot of that.

50 00:03:13,380 --> 00:03:14,171 These two.

51 00:03:14,171 --> 00:03:16,820 52 00:03:16,820 --> 00:03:19,020 This is amazing.

53 00:03:19,020 --> 00:03:24,740 Actually, that there's some German scholars from Worms

54 00:03:24,740 --> 00:03:28,610 who are now saying that there were Jews in the town of Worms

55 00:03:28,610 --> 00:03:30,770 before there were Christians.

56 00:03:30,770 --> 00:03:32,120 There were Jews before?

57 00:03:32,120 --> 00:03:36,402 There were Jews in the area around Worms and the Rhineland

58 00:03:36,402 --> 00:03:37,610 before there were Christians.

59 00:03:37,610 --> 00:03:38,450 Really?

60 00:03:38,450 --> 00:03:39,740 What date would that come in?

61 00:03:39,740 --> 00:03:40,830 They came with the Romans.

62 00:03:40,830 --> 00:03:43,610 Whoa, that's amazing.

63 00:03:43,610 --> 00:03:46,490 So these are two headstones from that cemetery. 64 00:03:46,490 --> 00:03:49,820 One is from 1,076 and one is from 1,086.

65 00:03:49,820 --> 00:03:53,668 It's 10 years after the Battle of Hastings.

66 00:03:53,668 --> 00:03:54,210 It's amazing.

67 00:03:54,210 --> 00:03:57,080

68 00:03:57,080 --> 00:03:59,600 Wow.

69 00:03:59,600 --> 00:04:00,200 That's great.

70 00:04:00,200 --> 00:04:03,310 But I have no idea when my family came.

71 00:04:03,310 --> 00:04:05,196 I'm sure they weren't there that long.

72 00:04:05,196 --> 00:04:11,520

73 00:04:11,520 --> 00:04:16,450 Girl, I remember my dad talking about--

74 00:04:16,450 --> 00:04:18,450 he tried to get a genealogy.

75 00:04:18,450 --> 00:04:24,860 And he thinks that he came from Spain, before the Inquisition. 76 00:04:24,860 --> 00:04:27,638 Well, maybe we can film one again,

77 00:04:27,638 --> 00:04:29,180 you can talk a little bit about that.

78 00:04:29,180 --> 00:04:29,760 Right.

79 00:04:29,760 --> 00:04:30,260 Oh, it is.

80 00:04:30,260 --> 00:04:31,910 I thought you meant it off.

81 00:04:31,910 --> 00:04:33,750 Then I guess it's already been captured.

82 00:04:33,750 --> 00:04:35,180 Yes, we got it all.

83 00:04:35,180 --> 00:04:40,560

84 00:04:40,560 --> 00:04:45,510 This is a street from the ghetto.

85 00:04:45,510 --> 00:04:46,010 OK.

86 00:04:46,010 --> 00:04:47,010 Want to put it?

87 00:04:47,010 --> 00:04:49,070 Yeah.

88 00:04:49,070 --> 00:04:50,440 Hold one of these things.

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00:04:50,440 --> 00:04:54,416

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00:04:54,416 --> 00:04:56,910 OK.

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00:04:56,910 --> 00:05:00,390

Do a long shot like that.

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00:05:00,390 --> 00:05:02,980

OK.

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00:05:02,980 --> 00:05:04,645

Now, what is this?

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00:05:04,645 --> 00:05:10,810

This is the Judengasse that

was part of the ghetto.

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00:05:10,810 --> 00:05:14,770

And going up that street

would lead directly

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00:05:14,770 --> 00:05:18,601

to the synagogue and

the school I went to.

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00:05:18,601 --> 00:05:23,060

We used to take that street

a lot when I went to school.

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00:05:23,060 --> 00:05:24,760

You said it was

part of the ghetto.

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00:05:24,760 --> 00:05:26,470

Do you mean

literally the ghetto?

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00:05:26,470 --> 00:05:27,580

No, it was still--

101 00:05:27,580 --> 00:05:29,340 I mean, the houses--

102 00:05:29,340 --> 00:05:30,430 it's still there.

103 00:05:30,430 --> 00:05:31,370 But it wasn't.

104 00:05:31,370 --> 00:05:34,230 No, when I was living there, we didn't live there.

105 00:05:34,230 --> 00:05:39,720

106 00:05:39,720 --> 00:05:43,110 There were some mainly very poor people

107 00:05:43,110 --> 00:05:46,470 lived there, Jews and Gentiles.

108 00:05:46,470 --> 00:05:50,280 And today, they renovated it, and they're

109 00:05:50,280 --> 00:05:52,020 supposed to be very beautiful.

110 00:05:52,020 --> 00:05:55,978 And they have very expensive apartments now.

111 00:05:55,978 --> 00:05:59,330

112 00:05:59,330 --> 00:06:01,460 It's kind of ironic, isn't it? 113 00:06:01,460 --> 00:06:03,770 Yeah, in fact, I didn't bring it along.

114 00:06:03,770 --> 00:06:08,720 I have a book with all the renovated stuff.

115 00:06:08,720 --> 00:06:11,300 They're using what used to be the community

116 00:06:11,300 --> 00:06:17,250 house as an adult education building now.

117 00:06:17,250 --> 00:06:20,680

118 00:06:20,680 --> 00:06:25,060 And I understand that these apartments are at a premium.

119 00:06:25,060 --> 00:06:30,130 People have said they're very hard to come by.

120 00:06:30,130 --> 00:06:31,630 Are there any other photos in that

121 00:06:31,630 --> 00:06:33,130 book that you would like to include?

122 00:06:33,130 --> 00:06:34,090 Yeah, I think so.

123 00:06:34,090 --> 00:06:34,590 OK.

124 00:06:34,590 --> 00:06:41,240 125 00:06:41,240 --> 00:06:44,450 Yeah, I definitely want these.

126 00:06:44,450 --> 00:06:48,220

127 00:06:48,220 --> 00:06:50,950 This was taken in 1945.

128 00:06:50,950 --> 00:06:53,650 OK, let's put it up there and have you describe it for us

129 00:06:53,650 --> 00:06:55,420 when I get a close shot of it.

130 00:06:55,420 --> 00:07:03,847 This is where the synagogue stood and OK.

131 00:07:03,847 --> 00:07:04,347 OK.

132 00:07:04,347 --> 00:07:10,200

133 00:07:10,200 --> 00:07:11,580 Start at the top here.

134 00:07:11,580 --> 00:07:15,660

135 00:07:15,660 --> 00:07:16,300 Here it is.

136 00:07:16,300 --> 00:07:21,080

137 00:07:21,080 --> 00:07:23,120 The ruins are where--

138 00:07:23,120 --> 00:07:26,780 that was in 1945 and that is the way

139 00:07:26,780 --> 00:07:28,580 it looked after the Kristallnacht

140 00:07:28,580 --> 00:07:31,220 when it was burned down.

141 00:07:31,220 --> 00:07:34,310 There was nothing left to what you see now

142 00:07:34,310 --> 00:07:37,550 from the more recent pictures.

143 00:07:37,550 --> 00:07:41,570 Actually, there was one historian in Worms

144 00:07:41,570 --> 00:07:48,200 who realized that in November 1938 what was going on,

145 00:07:48,200 --> 00:07:52,820 and he actually saved each stone by stone somehow.

146 00:07:52,820 --> 00:07:53,990 I don't know how he did it.

147 00:07:53,990 --> 00:07:56,460 But he saved them.

148 00:07:56,460 --> 00:07:58,830 And they used a lot of the original stones 00:07:58,830 --> 00:07:59,840 when they rebuilt it.

150 00:07:59,840 --> 00:08:03,070

151 00:08:03,070 --> 00:08:05,330 It's like just the foundation there.

152 00:08:05,330 --> 00:08:08,470 Yeah, it's really nothing.

153 00:08:08,470 --> 00:08:11,830 And the building behind to the left

154 00:08:11,830 --> 00:08:15,010 is the schoolhouse where I went to school.

155 00:08:15,010 --> 00:08:19,960

156 00:08:19,960 --> 00:08:25,630 And this is the other side, the other corner of the synagogue,

157 00:08:25,630 --> 00:08:27,660 with the old-age home behind it.

158 00:08:27,660 --> 00:08:40,755

159 00:08:40,755 --> 00:08:44,400 Are there other ones in that book that you [BOTH TALKING]??

160 00:08:44,400 --> 00:08:48,060 There's one the next page, I think, that I marked.

00:08:57,780 --> 00:09:07,360 Yeah, this is the corner of the synagogue after it was rebuilt.

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00:09:07,360 --> 00:09:15,750 And this picture was taken in 1982.

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00:09:15,750 --> 00:09:23,400 And that little curved building was the Rashi house,

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00:09:23,400 --> 00:09:30,450 where the scholar Rashi, the French Jewish scholar Rashi

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00:09:30,450 --> 00:09:34,410 taught when he taught in Worms.

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00:09:34,410 --> 00:09:36,150 And that's where, in that little.

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00:09:36,150 --> 00:09:42,468

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00:09:42,468 --> 00:09:46,430 They called it the Rashi house.

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00:09:46,430 --> 00:09:50,420 In fact, I just saw the reproduction of the interior

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00:09:50,420 --> 00:09:56,040 is in Tel Aviv at the--

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00:09:56,040 --> 00:09:58,955 what's the name of that Jewish--

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00:09:58,955 --> 00:10:01,280 the Diaspora Museum.

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00:10:01,280 --> 00:10:05,570 The outside of the synagogue, the inside of the synagogue,

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00:10:05,570 --> 00:10:10,226 and a reproduction of the Rashi chapel was there.

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00:10:10,226 --> 00:10:23,440

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00:10:23,440 --> 00:10:27,320 This, then-- let's get a nice close-up of that.

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00:10:27,320 --> 00:10:28,360 OK.

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00:10:28,360 --> 00:10:33,160 So this is a piece from a prayer book.

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00:10:33,160 --> 00:10:40,670 It's the original prayer book that was written in 1,272.

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00:10:40,670 --> 00:10:41,170 Wow.

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00:10:41,170 --> 00:10:43,947

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00:10:43,947 --> 00:10:45,030 And you were saying it's--

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00:10:45,030 --> 00:10:51,450 And you can see how the Jews were depicted in those days, 00:10:51,450 --> 00:10:53,640 with the pointed hat.

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00:10:53,640 --> 00:10:56,910 And there's also something about garlic.

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00:10:56,910 --> 00:10:59,950

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00:10:59,950 --> 00:11:03,390 If you're looking at some of the figures,

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00:11:03,390 --> 00:11:10,020 the emblem for the Wormser Jews was something with garlic.

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00:11:10,020 --> 00:11:17,970 And I just realized this week, my mother always hated anything

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00:11:17,970 --> 00:11:20,160 with garlic, really.

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00:11:20,160 --> 00:11:25,770 And I think she must have picked up a lot of the prejudice that

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00:11:25,770 --> 00:11:30,060 came from outside, from the Gentile world,

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00:11:30,060 --> 00:11:31,620 and internalized it.

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00:11:31,620 --> 00:11:34,530 Because we had no garlic in our house.

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00:11:34,530 --> 00:11:41,190 And whenever there was, like, Italian salami with garlic,

197 00:11:41,190 --> 00:11:44,220 she wouldn't eat it, she hated it.

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00:11:44,220 --> 00:11:47,160 It's really interesting.

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00:11:47,160 --> 00:11:51,750 And even today, I heard a news report recently,

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00:11:51,750 --> 00:11:56,580 with all the riots going on, that the Germans

201

00:11:56,580 --> 00:12:00,240 hate some of the foreigners because they smell of garlic.

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00:12:00,240 --> 00:12:01,620 So it's still there.

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00:12:01,620 --> 00:12:04,050 The same prejudice.

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00:12:04,050 --> 00:12:08,370 So this association of Jews and garlic,

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00:12:08,370 --> 00:12:11,220 was the Germans or the outside culture that associated it--

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00:12:11,220 --> 00:12:11,805 I don't know.

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00:12:11,805 --> 00:12:12,150 --with garlic?

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00:12:12,150 --> 00:12:12,862 I don't know.

00:12:12,862 --> 00:12:18,120 You know, I could probably read up on it in this book.

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00:12:18,120 --> 00:12:20,140 But it's written in German.

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00:12:20,140 --> 00:12:26,740

And it's very-- what do you call it?

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00:12:26,740 --> 00:12:27,970 Historical.

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00:12:27,970 --> 00:12:28,510 Scholarly?

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00:12:28,510 --> 00:12:30,470 Scholarly is the word I'm looking for.

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00:12:30,470 --> 00:12:32,440 Very scholarly German language.

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00:12:32,440 --> 00:12:38,060 And the words are yay, so long, it's too much work for me.

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00:12:38,060 --> 00:12:38,890 I haven't done it.

00:12:38,890 --> 00:12:41,920 I've read a little bit of it but I haven't gone through it all.

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00:12:41,920 --> 00:12:44,320 But did you see any associations of garlic

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00:12:44,320 --> 00:12:48,730 in this particular depiction?

00:12:48,730 --> 00:12:50,230 I'm not sure.

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00:12:50,230 --> 00:12:53,290 I think the figure on the right has part of it.

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00:12:53,290 --> 00:12:55,750 But I can show you some in the book.

224

00:12:55,750 --> 00:12:56,260 OK.

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00:12:56,260 --> 00:13:00,490 Because obviously, this was a depiction done by Jews.

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00:13:00,490 --> 00:13:01,695 Right, they apparently--

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00:13:01,695 --> 00:13:02,903 And they recorded the garlic.

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00:13:02,903 --> 00:13:03,760 --accepted it.

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00:13:03,760 --> 00:13:08,320 Now, whether they-- whether it came originally from them,

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00:13:08,320 --> 00:13:10,000 I really don't know.

231

00:13:10,000 --> 00:13:12,510 This is something that my sister might know.

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00:13:12,510 --> 00:13:15,550 You know, these little things.

00:13:15,550 --> 00:13:19,150 She might have a better recollection of it.

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00:13:19,150 --> 00:13:20,500 OK.

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00:13:20,500 --> 00:13:24,460 Let me see if I can

find it there, right

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00:13:24,460 --> 00:13:26,508 in the front of somewhere, and find it.

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00:13:26,508 --> 00:13:39,870

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00:13:39,870 --> 00:13:46,760 The archivist of the city of Worms did a couple of--

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00:13:46,760 --> 00:13:48,900 call it shots that you may want.

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00:13:48,900 --> 00:13:49,900 Oh, yeah, I'd like that.

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00:13:49,900 --> 00:13:51,220 These are more recent.

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00:13:51,220 --> 00:13:51,730 Great.

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00:13:51,730 --> 00:13:53,990 This is a good one, too.

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00:13:53,990 --> 00:13:55,330 OK, let's get those.

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00:13:55,330 --> 00:14:09,990

246 00:14:09,990 --> 00:14:11,030 Get the glare off.

247

00:14:11,030 --> 00:14:13,070 There it is.

248

00:14:13,070 --> 00:14:13,570 OK.

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00:14:13,570 --> 00:14:17,510

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00:14:17,510 --> 00:14:21,500 This is a color photograph of the outside of the synagogue?

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00:14:21,500 --> 00:14:22,000 Yeah.

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00:14:22,000 --> 00:14:24,040 And as far as I remember, this is

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00:14:24,040 --> 00:14:28,780 the entrance to the women's part of the synagogue.

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00:14:28,780 --> 00:14:32,200 Did they sit in the back or in a balcony?

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00:14:32,200 --> 00:14:33,110 They sat in the back.

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00:14:33,110 --> 00:14:33,610 Behind?

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00:14:33,610 --> 00:14:36,190

Was there a screen or a cloth of some kind?

00:14:36,190 --> 00:14:38,650 Not a cloth, but like an iron.

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00:14:38,650 --> 00:14:40,050 As far I remember.

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00:14:40,050 --> 00:14:41,337 Like a grillwork of some kind.

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00:14:41,337 --> 00:14:41,920 It's long ago.

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00:14:41,920 --> 00:14:43,720 Yeah, it was a long time ago.

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00:14:43,720 --> 00:14:45,522 Yeah.

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00:14:45,522 --> 00:14:46,022 Wow.

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00:14:46,022 --> 00:14:51,280

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00:14:51,280 --> 00:14:55,690 The stonework is really, incredibly intricate.

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00:14:55,690 --> 00:14:57,670 But this is today's.

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00:14:57,670 --> 00:15:01,040 I mean, this is the way it was reconstructed now.

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00:15:01,040 --> 00:15:04,800

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00:15:04,800 --> 00:15:06,750

But it certainly

looks, especially

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00:15:06,750 --> 00:15:09,090 on the base of the building, that they used

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00:15:09,090 --> 00:15:10,440 a lot of the original stones.

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00:15:10,440 --> 00:15:23,030

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00:15:23,030 --> 00:15:25,196 It's really a very beautiful shelter.

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00:15:25,196 --> 00:15:39,520

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00:15:39,520 --> 00:15:41,710 Is it all marble inside?

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00:15:41,710 --> 00:15:43,585 The pillars, those pillars, those are marble?

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00:15:43,585 --> 00:15:44,793 Is that what that looks like?

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00:15:44,793 --> 00:15:45,850 I can't tell from here.

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00:15:45,850 --> 00:15:47,510 I don't think so.

281

00:15:47,510 --> 00:15:48,590 I really don't know.

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00:15:48,590 --> 00:15:51,968

I couldn't tell.

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00:15:51,968 --> 00:15:52,954 That's great.

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00:15:52,954 --> 00:16:14,680

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00:16:14,680 --> 00:16:20,835 It says dress of a Jewish woman in Worms.

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00:16:20,835 --> 00:16:29,756

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00:16:29,756 --> 00:16:31,740 Ah, here's the garlic.

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00:16:31,740 --> 00:16:34,184 Oh, yeah, we got to get a shot of this.

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00:16:34,184 --> 00:16:35,666 Oh, this is amazing.

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00:16:35,666 --> 00:16:38,630

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00:16:38,630 --> 00:16:39,618 This is great.

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00:16:39,618 --> 00:16:56,727

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00:16:56,727 --> 00:16:58,810 So could you translate that at the top of the page

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00:16:58,810 --> 00:17:01,700 then please?

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00:17:01,700 --> 00:17:06,775

It's the dress of a Jewish man in Worms.

296 00:17:06,775 --> 00:17:09,790

297 00:17:09,790 --> 00:17:11,590 I would guess that this is around--

298 00:17:11,590 --> 00:17:14,440

299 00:17:14,440 --> 00:17:20,890 maybe 1,400, 1,400/1,500.

300 00:17:20,890 --> 00:17:25,860 You know, I'm beginning to wonder now

301 00:17:25,860 --> 00:17:29,324 if this can be reproduced.

302 00:17:29,324 --> 00:17:30,100 These pictures.

303 00:17:30,100 --> 00:17:31,642 You mean, from a legal point of view?

304 00:17:31,642 --> 00:17:32,320 Yeah.

305 00:17:32,320 --> 00:17:35,380 Well, it's not being used outside of here.

306 00:17:35,380 --> 00:17:37,270 It's only for research purposes.

307 00:17:37,270 --> 00:17:39,450 We're not reselling it or anything like that.

 $00:17:39,450 \longrightarrow 00:17:41,280$

So I think it'll be OK.

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 $00:17:41,280 \longrightarrow 00:17:47,710$

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00:17:47,710 --> 00:17:49,240 What would be interesting to know

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00:17:49,240 --> 00:17:52,390 is whether that painting was done by somebody Jewish

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 $00:17:52,390 \longrightarrow 00:17:55,420$ or by somebody in the larger culture.

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 $00:17:55,420 \longrightarrow 00:17:57,130$ I don't know.

314

00:17:57,130 --> 00:17:59,370 Because as you say, there's the garlic very--

315

00:17:59,370 --> 00:18:00,232 Yeah.

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00:18:00,232 --> 00:18:01,960 --strongly.

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00:18:01,960 --> 00:18:06,670 I can take a look and see if I can find anything on those

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00:18:06,670 --> 00:18:08,810 facing pages around there.

319

00:18:08,810 --> 00:18:10,360 And now, on the

other side, is the--

00:18:10,360 --> 00:18:11,080

The woman.

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00:18:11,080 --> 00:18:14,165 --woman's dress.

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00:18:14,165 --> 00:18:17,250 I think that the duck is a nice touch.

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00:18:17,250 --> 00:18:18,975 I like the duck.

324

00:18:18,975 --> 00:18:21,900 There she is.

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00:18:21,900 --> 00:18:26,330 But you know, it doesn't look like anything Orthodox Jewish

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00:18:26,330 --> 00:18:32,740 from what we are accustomed to as Jewish clothing.

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00:18:32,740 --> 00:18:36,415 It's very secular.

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00:18:36,415 --> 00:18:59,580

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00:18:59,580 --> 00:19:00,850 Schoolcap.

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00:19:00,850 --> 00:19:04,320 Now, I don't know whether that is supposed to be a skullcap.

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00:19:04,320 --> 00:19:07,890

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00:19:07,890 --> 00:19:10,500

It's shul, which is school.

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00:19:10,500 --> 00:19:13,590 Well, maybe that's it, like synagogue cap, a shul cap.

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00:19:13,590 --> 00:19:19,095 But the purse points to that he was a merchant.

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00:19:19,095 --> 00:19:22,290

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00:19:22,290 --> 00:19:26,780 It certainly sounds like a German, a Christian painted it.

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00:19:26,780 --> 00:19:30,570 It doesn't sound like someone from within

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00:19:30,570 --> 00:19:31,930 the Jewish community painted it.

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00:19:31,930 --> 00:19:33,360 Oh, OK.

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00:19:33,360 --> 00:19:37,380 What he says over here, the Hebrew of shum.

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00:19:37,380 --> 00:19:39,870 I don't see any Hebrew of shum over here.

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 $00:19:39,870 \longrightarrow 00:19:43,380$

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00:19:43,380 --> 00:19:46,135 Or maybe shum is the garlic.

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00:19:46,135 --> 00:19:47,010

Yeah, shum is garlic.

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00:19:47,010 --> 00:19:48,906

Shum is garlic?

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00:19:48,906 --> 00:19:50,700 Oh, yeah, you're Israeli, right?

On, yean, you're israen, ngi

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00:19:50,700 --> 00:19:54,270

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00:19:54,270 --> 00:20:01,350

The Hebrew of the garlic points that he

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00:20:01,350 --> 00:20:06,990 came from the town of Speyer, which is very close to Worms,

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00:20:06,990 --> 00:20:11,040

and also very, very old.

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00:20:11,040 --> 00:20:13,440

Oh, from the area,

Speyer, Worms, and Mainz,

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00:20:13,440 --> 00:20:16,255

which are-- the three towns are very close together.

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00:20:16,255 --> 00:20:21,960

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00:20:21,960 --> 00:20:22,460

OK.

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00:20:22,460 --> 00:20:25,010

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00:20:25,010 --> 00:20:28,260

All they're saying is that

it came from a library

357 00:20:28,260 --> 00:20:29,580 from Hescher.

358 00:20:29,580 --> 00:20:35,820

359 00:20:35,820 --> 00:20:41,590 No, I think you're right that the picture's of Marcus Lam.

360 00:20:41,590 --> 00:20:43,500 Could be a Jewish name, Marcus Lam.

361 00:20:43,500 --> 00:20:44,000 Marcus?

362 00:20:44,000 --> 00:20:45,010 Could be.

363 00:20:45,010 --> 00:20:47,350 Traditionally, especially at that time.

364 00:20:47,350 --> 00:20:50,740 They were 1544 to 1604 or so.

365 00:20:50,740 --> 00:20:51,290 I don't know.

366 00:20:51,290 --> 00:20:51,790 OK.

367 00:20:51,790 --> 00:20:54,670

368 00:20:54,670 --> 00:20:56,660 OK, I think that's all.

369 00:20:56,660 --> 00:20:57,160 OK.

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00:20:57,160 --> 00:20:57,660

OK.

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00:20:57,660 --> 00:21:00,500

What have you-- you brought some other photographs of your own,

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00:21:00,500 --> 00:21:01,000

right?

373

00:21:01,000 --> 00:21:01,500

Yeah.

374

00:21:01,500 --> 00:21:02,830

Great.

375

00:21:02,830 --> 00:21:06,440

This name goes back to--

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 $00:21:06,440 \longrightarrow 00:21:09,160$

I mean, don't bother

with that in the--

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00:21:09,160 --> 00:21:09,910

goes back.

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00:21:09,910 --> 00:21:23,650

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00:21:23,650 --> 00:21:24,150

OK.

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00:21:24,150 --> 00:21:27,680

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00:21:27,680 --> 00:21:30,860

What do we have here?

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00:21:30,860 --> 00:21:36,920

This is my Kennkarte, which was my--

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00:21:36,920 --> 00:21:38,343 what do you call it?

384

00:21:38,343 --> 00:21:39,510 Like an identification card?

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00:21:39,510 --> 00:21:41,730 My ID card, yeah.

386

00:21:41,730 --> 00:21:44,700 And it goes back to, I think, 19--

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00:21:44,700 --> 00:21:48,370 oh, November 25, 1938.

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00:21:48,370 --> 00:21:53,705 So it was within weeks after the Kristallnacht.

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00:21:53,705 --> 00:21:56,330 Was this normal for everybody to have to have a card like this?

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00:21:56,330 --> 00:22:00,740 They came out with that law that yes, that's

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00:22:00,740 --> 00:22:01,715 what we needed to have.

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00:22:01,715 --> 00:22:05,720

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00:22:05,720 --> 00:22:10,160 So yeah, everybody had to have-- at that point,

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00:22:10,160 --> 00:22:11,260

had to have that ID.

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00:22:11,260 --> 00:22:15,750

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00:22:15,750 --> 00:22:16,250

OK.

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00:22:16,250 --> 00:22:25,240

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00:22:25,240 --> 00:22:26,520

OK, oh.

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 $00:22:26,520 \longrightarrow 00:22:29,650$

So this particular one

is a Kinderausweise,

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00:22:29,650 --> 00:22:34,120

this was a particular, a

special one for children.

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00:22:34,120 --> 00:22:38,620

Although I don't know

what the difference

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 $00:22:38,620 \longrightarrow 00:22:41,230$

is between that one

and the adult ones.

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00:22:41,230 --> 00:22:46,850

404

00:22:46,850 --> 00:22:48,850

Can you bring the name down?

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00:22:48,850 --> 00:22:49,870

Sure.

406

00:22:49,870 --> 00:22:50,920

Can you read any of this?

407 00:22:50,920 --> 00:22:52,540 I know I'm not getting very close.

408 00:22:52,540 --> 00:22:57,430 Yeah, a family name, and first name,

409 00:22:57,430 --> 00:23:06,800 and the birth date, and the citizenship.

410 00:23:06,800 --> 00:23:11,680 Now, I notice that at this point in November '38,

411 00:23:11,680 --> 00:23:14,960 this Sarah is not included in the name yet.

412 00:23:14,960 --> 00:23:17,500 So that law must've come out after that.

413 00:23:17,500 --> 00:23:20,920 Because after that, everybody was-- every woman was Sarah

414 00:23:20,920 --> 00:23:24,380 and every man was Israel.

415 00:23:24,380 --> 00:23:26,300 Under citizenship, can you--

416 00:23:26,300 --> 00:23:27,665 I can't read what it says.

417 00:23:27,665 --> 00:23:28,820 [GERMAN]

418 00:23:28,820 --> 00:23:30,320 And what have they written in there?

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00:23:30,320 --> 00:23:33,650

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00:23:33,650 --> 00:23:34,400

Deutsches Reich.

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00:23:34,400 --> 00:23:38,050

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00:23:38,050 --> 00:23:42,090

And what is the last

category down there?

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00:23:42,090 --> 00:23:48,060

[GERMAN] is you're living--

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00:23:48,060 --> 00:23:51,075

the town that you're living at.

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00:23:51,075 --> 00:23:54,844

What's the English word for that?

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00:23:54,844 --> 00:23:55,507

Address.

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 $00:23:55,507 \longrightarrow 00:23:56,215$

Like the address?

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00:23:56,215 --> 00:23:56,715

Address.

429

00:23:56,715 --> 00:23:58,370

Yeah.

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 $00:23:58,370 \longrightarrow 00:24:01,540$

And so that would be the

city, and street, and number

00:24:01,540 --> 00:24:04,610 where you were currently residing at that time?

432 00:24:04,610 --> 00:24:05,300 Yeah.

433

00:24:05,300 --> 00:24:13,260 This was [GERMAN], I think.

434

00:24:13,260 --> 00:24:14,160 OK.

435

00:24:14,160 --> 00:24:16,285 I have trouble reading the--

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00:24:16,285 --> 00:24:17,160 Yeah, the writing is.

437

00:24:17,160 --> 00:24:20,740 --German script myself at this point.

438

00:24:20,740 --> 00:24:21,240 OK.

439

 $00:24:21,240 \longrightarrow 00:24:29,150$

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00:24:29,150 --> 00:24:36,650 Well, this is the photo from the concentration camp

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00:24:36,650 --> 00:24:42,680 in France, from Gurs that I talked about with the barrack

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00:24:42,680 --> 00:24:45,830 that my father had organized, taking care

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00:24:45,830 --> 00:24:48,770

of all the very old people.

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00:24:48,770 --> 00:24:52,670 And you want-- when you're finished with that,

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00:24:52,670 --> 00:24:58,310 turn it around because my dad wrote all the names and ages

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00:24:58,310 --> 00:25:00,570 of the people on the back.

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00:25:00,570 --> 00:25:01,070 OK.

448

00:25:01,070 --> 00:25:08,050

449

00:25:08,050 --> 00:25:09,280 OK.

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00:25:09,280 --> 00:25:11,920 Can you just describe this one more time?

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00:25:11,920 --> 00:25:12,430 Yes.

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00:25:12,430 --> 00:25:21,070 This picture must have been taken in the winter of 1940,

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00:25:21,070 --> 00:25:28,870 probably around December, 1940, in the French concentration

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00:25:28,870 --> 00:25:33,520 camp, the Gurs in the Pyrenees.

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00:25:33,520 --> 00:25:40,510

And it was-- there was a group

of men in the barrack that

456 00:25:40,510 --> 00:25:46,360 were all older, very old people that my dad

457 00:25:46,360 --> 00:25:48,880 and a couple of other younger men

458 00:25:48,880 --> 00:25:52,000 decided to take care of them.

459 00:25:52,000 --> 00:25:56,840 Helped them, rather than having them take care of themselves.

460 00:25:56,840 --> 00:25:59,660 They needed assistance to go to the latrine,

461 00:25:59,660 --> 00:26:02,290 and to wash, and generally.

462 00:26:02,290 --> 00:26:04,030 So needed help.

463 00:26:04,030 --> 00:26:07,550

464 00:26:07,550 --> 00:26:10,910 One of the men in the front is 97 years old.

465 00:26:10,910 --> 00:26:19,060

466 00:26:19,060 --> 00:26:21,460 Can you read off those names then?

467 00:26:21,460 --> 00:26:22,630 Where is the 97-year?

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00:26:22,630 --> 00:26:25,720

469

 $00:26:25,720 \longrightarrow 00:26:27,430$

There he is.

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00:26:27,430 --> 00:26:31,111

79, Albert Mayer?

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00:26:31,111 --> 00:26:35,290

I can't read them all.

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00:26:35,290 --> 00:26:40,060

79, I can't make out the

name of the next one.

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00:26:40,060 --> 00:26:46,850

The one after that is

Sturnweiler, Weiter.

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00:26:46,850 --> 00:26:51,260

72, Hirsch, 74.

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00:26:51,260 --> 00:26:52,970

Goldstein, 63.

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00:26:52,970 --> 00:26:56,112

Oh yeah, Abraham Levy, 97.

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00:26:56,112 --> 00:27:00,620

Hugo Mayer, 77, and

Leopold Levy, 63.

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00:27:00,620 --> 00:27:06,480

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00:27:06,480 --> 00:27:07,620

Yeah.

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00:27:07,620 --> 00:27:12,960 Camp de Gurs, France, 1940s, [INAUDIBLE]..

481 00:27:12,960 --> 00:27:17,460 Uffenheimer, Adolf Uffenheimer, 76.

482 00:27:17,460 --> 00:27:19,950 Actually, my grandfather was in that barrack, too.

483 00:27:19,950 --> 00:27:22,040 But he's not on the picture.

484 00:27:22,040 --> 00:27:25,640

485 00:27:25,640 --> 00:27:27,440 OK.

486 00:27:27,440 --> 00:27:30,050 Do you know who took that picture?

487 00:27:30,050 --> 00:27:33,860 No, I don't.

488 00:27:33,860 --> 00:27:36,810 It's amazing that somebody had a camera at all.

489 00:27:36,810 --> 00:27:38,290 Yes, it is.

490 00:27:38,290 --> 00:27:43,750 And so I have no idea how my dad got it.

491 00:27:43,750 --> 00:27:52,420 This is Gurs, December 1940, Barrack D, [INAUDIBLE].. 492 00:27:52,420 --> 00:27:55,932 That's still my dad's handwriting, also, in the back.

493 00:27:55,932 --> 00:29:02,380

494 00:29:02,380 --> 00:29:04,130 Somebody must have had their finger there.

495 00:29:04,130 --> 00:29:07,140 I don't know whether you want to bother with that one.

496 00:29:07,140 --> 00:29:07,640 Sure.

497 00:29:07,640 --> 00:29:15,090

498 00:29:15,090 --> 00:29:16,800 What is this one?

499 00:29:16,800 --> 00:29:20,460 Also the group of men in the camp.

500 00:29:20,460 --> 00:29:30,750

501 00:29:30,750 --> 00:29:31,750 Is your father in there?

502 00:29:31,750 --> 00:29:32,250 No.

503 00:29:32,250 --> 00:29:35,366

504 00:29:35,366 --> 00:29:38,230 Just really would like to know who had camera and film.

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00:29:38,230 --> 00:29:39,670 And able to develop it.

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00:29:39,670 --> 00:29:41,980 Yeah, in 1940, in a camp.

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00:29:41,980 --> 00:29:44,350 Yeah.

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00:29:44,350 --> 00:29:47,140 Well, but it was in France, don't forget.

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00:29:47,140 --> 00:29:48,420 True.

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00:29:48,420 --> 00:29:51,190 They had more access to supplies.

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00:29:51,190 --> 00:29:55,930 They may have given it to someone

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00:29:55,930 --> 00:30:02,710 who was able to go into town or maybe someone who

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00:30:02,710 --> 00:30:04,270 spoke French was able to.

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00:30:04,270 --> 00:30:08,937 It wasn't very difficult to get out and in in Gurs.

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 $00:30:08,937 \longrightarrow 00:30:11,740$

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00:30:11,740 --> 00:30:14,960

The problem was that people didn't know the language.

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00:30:14,960 --> 00:30:17,470 But if you could speak French, wasn't

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00:30:17,470 --> 00:30:20,080 very difficult to escape.

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00:30:20,080 --> 00:30:24,760 And a lot of people did.

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00:30:24,760 --> 00:30:25,645 This is the inside.

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00:30:25,645 --> 00:30:29,285

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00:30:29,285 --> 00:30:30,813 It's a little on the gray side.

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00:30:30,813 --> 00:30:31,730 Inside of the barrack.

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00:30:31,730 --> 00:30:32,360 We're going to try to get the shot.

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00:30:32,360 --> 00:30:33,590 I don't know.

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00:30:33,590 --> 00:30:35,660 All you can see is some laundry hanging up

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00:30:35,660 --> 00:30:39,550 and the fact that there was nothing there.

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00:30:39,550 --> 00:30:40,700

Yeah, you can see.

529 00:30:40,700 --> 00:30:44,510 Actually, it's coming out better on the screen than there

530 00:30:44,510 --> 00:30:46,190 because you can see the cot.

531 00:30:46,190 --> 00:30:47,163 There's a cot here?

532 00:30:47,163 --> 00:30:48,080 Yeah, that's the cots.

533 00:30:48,080 --> 00:30:49,250 And there's laundry hanging up here.

534 00:30:49,250 --> 00:30:50,020 There's laundry.

535 00:30:50,020 --> 00:30:52,310 And there's a light, looks like a light bulb up there.

536 00:30:52,310 --> 00:30:53,270 No, that's more laundry.

537 00:30:53,270 --> 00:30:53,840 That's more laundry?

538 00:30:53,840 --> 00:30:53,920 OK.

539 00:30:53,920 --> 00:30:54,878 So these are just cots.

540 00:30:54,878 --> 00:30:58,730 I think there was probably one light bulb, or maybe two, 00:30:58,730 --> 00:31:02,000 for the entire barrack.

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00:31:02,000 --> 00:31:03,510 It was very dark inside.

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00:31:03,510 --> 00:31:08,800 We just had daylight coming in through the doors.

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 $00:31:08,800 \longrightarrow 00:31:31,700$

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00:31:31,700 --> 00:31:37,630 Obviously, whoever took her picture didn't have a flash.

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00:31:37,630 --> 00:31:45,310 This is one of the Spanish prisoners from the Spanish

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00:31:45,310 --> 00:31:49,180 Civil War, which were-that had escaped to France,

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00:31:49,180 --> 00:31:50,650 which were also interned there.

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00:31:50,650 --> 00:32:13,997

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00:32:13,997 --> 00:32:16,330 Do you know how your father got all these pictures if he

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00:32:16,330 --> 00:32:17,622 wasn't the one with the camera?

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00:32:17,622 --> 00:32:18,418 Is this early?

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00:32:18,418 --> 00:32:19,376

No, I don't.

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00:32:19,376 --> 00:32:26,082

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00:32:26,082 --> 00:32:30,116 And I'm pretty sure that this one is [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:32:30,116 --> 00:32:39,210 Now, these are

passport pictures that

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00:32:39,210 --> 00:32:41,640 were taken in Gurs at

the time when we left.

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00:32:41,640 --> 00:32:51,762

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00:32:51,762 --> 00:32:54,360 You might not have saw the pictures of my grandparents

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00:32:54,360 --> 00:32:54,860

there.

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00:32:54,860 --> 00:32:58,520

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00:32:58,520 --> 00:33:00,290

And what year is this?

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00:33:00,290 --> 00:33:57,940

1940.

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00:33:57,940 --> 00:34:01,850

And tell their

names again, please.

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00:34:01,850 --> 00:34:04,400

Sophie and Adolph Kerr.

566 00:34:04,400 --> 00:34:40,139

567 00:34:40,139 --> 00:34:41,929 I think that was taken in Gurs.

568 00:34:41,929 --> 00:34:44,810 And the other one that she took earlier

569 00:34:44,810 --> 00:34:47,918 was taken in Marseilles, if I remember correctly.

570 00:34:47,918 --> 00:35:07,838

571 00:35:07,838 --> 00:35:14,220 Obviously, they wanted the profile pictures.

572 00:35:14,220 --> 00:35:15,990 Because we were criminals.

573 00:35:15,990 --> 00:35:23,750

574 00:35:23,750 --> 00:35:31,890 A watercolor that someone did from Gurs of the camp.

575 00:35:31,890 --> 00:35:35,250 That gives a pretty good ID of the location,

576 00:35:35,250 --> 00:35:38,130 and what the barracks looked like,

577 00:35:38,130 --> 00:35:40,680 and the mud that I was telling you about.

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00:35:40,680 --> 00:35:44,730

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00:35:44,730 --> 00:35:45,230

Yeah.

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00:35:45,230 --> 00:36:36,270

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00:36:36,270 --> 00:36:39,210 It was a beautiful spot right

in the middle of the Pyrenees.

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00:36:39,210 --> 00:36:50,380

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00:36:50,380 --> 00:36:53,130

Where is this?

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00:36:53,130 --> 00:36:58,070

This is the beach in Sosua, in the Dominican Republic, which

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00:36:58,070 --> 00:36:58,570

is--

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 $00:36:58,570 \longrightarrow 00:37:01,870$

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00:37:01,870 --> 00:37:07,330 Sosua is on the northern coast

of the Dominican Republic,

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 $00:37:07,330 \longrightarrow 00:37:08,530$

on the Atlantic side.

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00:37:08,530 --> 00:37:11,380

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00:37:11,380 --> 00:37:17,860 And that's where we emigrated to in 1941.

591 00:37:17,860 --> 00:37:21,165 So this is your normal living habitat right there?

592 00:37:21,165 --> 00:37:21,665 Exactly.

593 00:37:21,665 --> 00:37:22,390 In those days.

594 00:37:22,390 --> 00:37:23,980 That's, yeah.

595 00:37:23,980 --> 00:37:27,620 What a change from the Pyrenees, is it not?

596 00:37:27,620 --> 00:37:28,120 Wow.

597 00:37:28,120 --> 00:37:35,880

598 00:37:35,880 --> 00:37:37,504 It's kind of a Shangri-La.

599 00:37:37,504 --> 00:37:47,680

600 00:37:47,680 --> 00:37:49,240 Must have been a very strange feeling

601 00:37:49,240 --> 00:37:51,430 to go from Europe and the way it is,

602 00:37:51,430 --> 00:37:55,030 the way it looks, and feels, and sounds, to a place like this.

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00:37:55,030 --> 00:37:56,950 Well, particularly from a detention camp.

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00:37:56,950 --> 00:37:58,630 Yeah, well, to go from-- yeah.

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00:37:58,630 --> 00:38:03,080

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00:38:03,080 --> 00:38:12,110 Well, it's really-- as an adult, when you're looking back,

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00:38:12,110 --> 00:38:14,540 you understand things much better.

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00:38:14,540 --> 00:38:22,340 And at that point, at that time, I was just very excited

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00:38:22,340 --> 00:38:24,770 that I got to see the world.

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00:38:24,770 --> 00:38:25,900 That was wonderful.

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 $00:38:25,900 \longrightarrow 00:38:32,150$

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00:38:32,150 --> 00:38:37,910 But now, as an adult, I came to understand

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00:38:37,910 --> 00:38:41,670 why I'm so attached to this.

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00:38:41,670 --> 00:38:45,750

And that's simply because that was the first time in my life

615 00:38:45,750 --> 00:38:50,820 that I felt, experienced any kind of freedom.

616 00:38:50,820 --> 00:38:55,770 Any kind of equality with being able to walk in the street

617 00:38:55,770 --> 00:38:57,555 without being afraid.

618 00:38:57,555 --> 00:39:00,090

619 00:39:00,090 --> 00:39:03,900 And with people looking me straight

620 00:39:03,900 --> 00:39:08,640 in the eye and smiling, rather than looking at me with hate

621 00:39:08,640 --> 00:39:11,670 and looking away.

622 00:39:11,670 --> 00:39:20,610 And I just have an immense feeling of devotion and love

623 00:39:20,610 --> 00:39:23,370 for the American people because of the way they were.

624 00:39:23,370 --> 00:39:28,790

625 00:39:28,790 --> 00:39:30,440 Do you have any other photographs 626 00:39:30,440 --> 00:39:33,590 that you'd like to redo?

627 00:39:33,590 --> 00:39:39,920 This is a photo which was on the cover of this brochure.

628 00:39:39,920 --> 00:39:43,700 And that was taken of a group of refugees

629 00:39:43,700 --> 00:39:48,110 on the boat going to Sosua.

630 00:39:48,110 --> 00:39:50,120 Do you know any of these people?

631 00:39:50,120 --> 00:39:52,310 I can't tell you the names, but I knew them all.

632 00:39:52,310 --> 00:40:24,970

633 00:40:24,970 --> 00:40:28,530 Little things I was talking to you about in my interview.

634 00:40:28,530 --> 00:40:33,120 That the people, the American people,

635 00:40:33,120 --> 00:40:35,550 from the Joint Distribution that came

636 00:40:35,550 --> 00:40:39,390 to choose people to go to the settlement in the Dominican

637 00:40:39,390 --> 00:40:44,080 Republic were too cowardly to go into France,

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00:40:44,080 --> 00:40:48,240 where we were, and help people to get out of there.

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00:40:48,240 --> 00:40:52,810 They brought people from Switzerland and from England.

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00:40:52,810 --> 00:40:54,570 And so they looked--

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00:40:54,570 --> 00:40:57,287 they hadn't been in any camps, this group of people.

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00:40:57,287 --> 00:40:58,778 Isn't that amazing?

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00:40:58,778 --> 00:41:07,730

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00:41:07,730 --> 00:41:13,910 In 1990, we had a 50th reunion of the people in the Dominican

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00:41:13,910 --> 00:41:16,580 Republic from the settlement.

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00:41:16,580 --> 00:41:19,970 This is the brochure that they had made.

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00:41:19,970 --> 00:41:23,630 These are all old photos.

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00:41:23,630 --> 00:41:26,840 This is the photo of the--

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00:41:26,840 --> 00:41:30,430 obviously, the conference with--

650 00:41:30,430 --> 00:41:33,940 this is the Trujillo, the dictator

651 00:41:33,940 --> 00:41:35,380 of the Dominican Republic.

652 00:41:35,380 --> 00:41:36,880 Can we get this on film?

653 00:41:36,880 --> 00:41:39,190 Because I'd like to have you describe that for us.

654 00:41:39,190 --> 00:41:40,150 Because it's great.

655 00:41:40,150 --> 00:41:41,830 And I can go from one to the next.

656 00:41:41,830 --> 00:41:43,640 Right, these are all shots.

657 00:41:43,640 --> 00:41:45,730 But I want you to--

658 00:41:45,730 --> 00:41:48,510 I want to get the front cover first.

659 00:41:48,510 --> 00:41:52,450 And this maybe.

660 00:41:52,450 --> 00:41:54,700 Maybe I should read this out loud.

661 00:41:54,700 --> 00:41:55,360 OK 662 00:41:55,360 --> 00:41:56,200 Afterwards.

663 00:41:56,200 --> 00:41:58,400 Yeah, I can also scroll it down as we go.

664 00:41:58,400 --> 00:41:59,080 Oh, OK.

665 00:41:59,080 --> 00:42:02,184 Because that's very important.

666 00:42:02,184 --> 00:42:02,684 OK.

667 00:42:02,684 --> 00:42:05,862

668 00:42:05,862 --> 00:42:09,460 Maybe I should have-actually, well, you're

669 00:42:09,460 --> 00:42:11,380 going to edit it anyway, right?

670 00:42:11,380 --> 00:42:14,290 Because I have other pictures from those days.

671 00:42:14,290 --> 00:42:15,790 And this is now.

672 00:42:15,790 --> 00:42:18,040 Well, we can start with this and maybe kind of just

673 00:42:18,040 --> 00:42:20,012 go back with all the stuff that you have.

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00:42:20,012 --> 00:42:20,956 No, this is great.

675 00:42:20,956 --> 00:42:25,676

676 00:42:25,676 --> 00:42:28,670 OK, let's start up in this corner.

677 00:42:28,670 --> 00:42:31,490 And you were describing this photo before.

678 00:42:31,490 --> 00:42:33,920 Yeah, actually, the first time I saw this photo

679 00:42:33,920 --> 00:42:35,620 was in this brochure.

680 00:42:35,620 --> 00:42:39,590 But I recognize that this is--

681 00:42:39,590 --> 00:42:45,470 that Trujillo is sitting, facing the camera.

682 00:42:45,470 --> 00:42:48,420 No, the other one, to the left.

683 00:42:48,420 --> 00:42:48,920 This one?

684 00:42:48,920 --> 00:42:49,560 This one.

685 00:42:49,560 --> 00:42:50,060 This guy.

686 00:42:50,060 --> 00:42:50,560 Right. 687 00:42:50,560 --> 00:42:52,190 OK.

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00:42:52,190 --> 00:42:57,510 And I would assume that that was one of the conferences,

689 00:42:57,510 --> 00:43:07,490 setting up the organization of the Dominican Republic

690 00:43:07,490 --> 00:43:12,020 giving this portion of land to the Joint Distribution

691 00:43:12,020 --> 00:43:16,730 Committee, and allowing them to bring refugees.

692 00:43:16,730 --> 00:43:22,890

693 00:43:22,890 --> 00:43:30,360 And this looks like it's a group of settlers arriving.

694 00:43:30,360 --> 00:43:33,630 Either arriving or it was taken shortly after they arrived.

695 00:43:33,630 --> 00:43:34,450 I'm not sure.

696 00:43:34,450 --> 00:43:45,860

697 00:43:45,860 --> 00:43:52,060 This is a picture of the principal

698 00:43:52,060 --> 00:43:53,890 and one of the teachers.

699 00:43:53,890 --> 00:43:57,880 Or actually, the principal and the co-principal.

700 00:43:57,880 --> 00:44:01,330 And the school children in--

701 00:44:01,330 --> 00:44:03,440 probably taken sometime in the '40s.

702 00:44:03,440 --> 00:44:07,990

703 00:44:07,990 --> 00:44:10,654 Mid '40s.

704 00:44:10,654 --> 00:44:14,710 Now, we had a wonderful crop of children.

705 00:44:14,710 --> 00:44:17,117 These are all babies born in Sosua.

706 00:44:17,117 --> 00:44:32,220

707 00:44:32,220 --> 00:44:36,900 This is, again, a picture of the schoolchildren

708 00:44:36,900 --> 00:44:40,200 and the principal who was at our reunion.

709 00:44:40,200 --> 00:44:48,320 And it was just wonderful to see him and hear him. 711

00:44:52,755 --> 00:44:53,880 What did you think of that?

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00:44:53,880 --> 00:44:55,297 Yes, oh, I thought this was great.

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00:44:55,297 --> 00:44:56,410 Who is this person?

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00:44:56,410 --> 00:44:57,805 A good friend of mine.

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00:44:57,805 --> 00:44:58,680 Yeah, very heartfelt.

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00:44:58,680 --> 00:44:59,180 She was.

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00:44:59,180 --> 00:45:04,110

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00:45:04,110 --> 00:45:07,500 This picture was one of the settlers.

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00:45:07,500 --> 00:45:10,350 And it's a great shot.

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00:45:10,350 --> 00:45:13,800 And it was used as one of the advertising photos.

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00:45:13,800 --> 00:45:17,700 It was on the brochure, on the cover of the brochure.

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00:45:17,700 --> 00:45:21,810 He's now a fat, old man.

723 00:45:21,810 --> 00:45:23,030 Yep, that's the way it is.

724 00:45:23,030 --> 00:45:23,910 Well, that happens.

725 00:45:23,910 --> 00:45:24,410 It does.

726 00:45:24,410 --> 00:45:28,100

727 00:45:28,100 --> 00:45:29,800 This is self-explanatory.

728 00:45:29,800 --> 00:45:40,650

729 00:45:40,650 --> 00:45:47,370 This is another picture of our crop of babies.

730 00:45:47,370 --> 00:45:52,860 And I have some of them in here that

731 00:45:52,860 --> 00:45:56,430 came to the reunion, some of those babies.

732 00:45:56,430 --> 00:46:13,500

733 00:46:13,500 --> 00:46:17,140 Does that look a little like the old pictures of Israel?

734 00:46:17,140 --> 00:46:18,020 This one?

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00:46:18,020 --> 00:46:19,865 In general, these pictures.

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00:46:19,865 --> 00:46:21,147 Yeah, like kibbutz life.

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00:46:21,147 --> 00:46:22,480 That's what I was just thinking.

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00:46:22,480 --> 00:46:39,540

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00:46:39,540 --> 00:46:41,190 This must have been after we left.

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00:46:41,190 --> 00:46:45,490 I don't remember a single bar mitzvah while I was there.

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00:46:45,490 --> 00:47:39,780

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00:47:39,780 --> 00:47:42,490 Now, if you read this, it's really incredible.

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00:47:42,490 --> 00:47:44,470 I didn't know about any of this.

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00:47:44,470 --> 00:47:48,770 I just found that out in 1990.

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00:47:48,770 --> 00:47:51,230 A bill of rights that they gave us.

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 $00:47:51,230 \longrightarrow 00:48:15,347$

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00:48:15,347 --> 00:48:17,180 Do you think your parents

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were aware of that

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00:48:17,180 --> 00:48:18,800 when they got there?

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00:48:18,800 --> 00:48:20,400 Were you made aware of that?

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00:48:20,400 --> 00:48:22,140 I don't think so.

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00:48:22,140 --> 00:48:24,860 I mean, we knew how we were treated, you know,

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00:48:24,860 --> 00:48:26,700 that we could do.

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00:48:26,700 --> 00:48:30,290 It was better for us than the natives.

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00:48:30,290 --> 00:48:36,420 But as a bill of rights, you know, in so many words,

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00:48:36,420 --> 00:48:38,270 we didn't know that at the time.

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00:48:38,270 --> 00:48:40,340 You didn't know you had the legal rights.

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00:48:40,340 --> 00:48:44,720 Yeah, that it was actually spelled out in a document,

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00:48:44,720 --> 00:48:46,010 I didn't know that.

759

00:48:46,010 --> 00:48:47,194 I just found that out.

760 00:48:47,194 --> 00:48:53,360

761 00:48:53,360 --> 00:48:54,500 That's great.

762 00:48:54,500 --> 00:48:55,721 That's wonderful.

763 00:48:55,721 --> 00:49:01,380

764 00:49:01,380 --> 00:49:05,070 So are there any more photographs?

765 00:49:05,070 --> 00:49:06,450 Where he worked.

766 00:49:06,450 --> 00:49:08,565 That was the general store.

767 00:49:08,565 --> 00:49:20,160

768 00:49:20,160 --> 00:49:22,050 That was the horse he had bought for me.

769 00:49:22,050 --> 00:49:30,810

770 00:49:30,810 --> 00:49:37,530 And he managed the Colmado.

771 00:49:37,530 --> 00:49:43,260 And you can see on the side, it says, [SPANISH]..

772 00:49:43,260 --> 00:49:47,690

Those were all the products that the farmers brought in

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00:49:47,690 --> 00:49:48,460 at the time.

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00:49:48,460 --> 00:50:17,460

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00:50:17,460 --> 00:50:21,310

This was a typical

settler's house.

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 $00:50:21,310 \longrightarrow 00:50:30,750$

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00:50:30,750 --> 00:50:32,410

Were these houses there already?

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00:50:32,410 --> 00:50:33,845

No.

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 $00:50:33,845 \longrightarrow 00:50:35,130$

The settlers built them?

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 $00:50:35,130 \longrightarrow 00:50:37,755$

Yeah.

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00:50:37,755 --> 00:50:40,430

And they seem like

very fine houses.

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 $00:50:40,430 \longrightarrow 00:50:42,360$

Well, they're wooden cottages.

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 $00:50:42,360 \longrightarrow 00:50:46,130$

But that was more than adequate,

you know, for that climate

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00:50:46,130 --> 00:50:47,000

and for that time.

785 00:50:47,000 --> 00:51:12,890

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00:51:12,890 --> 00:51:14,270 Not bad, huh?

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00:51:14,270 --> 00:51:16,680 OK.

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00:51:16,680 --> 00:51:19,380 This is a nice place to live.

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00:51:19,380 --> 00:51:20,275 Yeah.

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00:51:20,275 --> 00:51:20,775 Wow.

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00:51:20,775 --> 00:51:25,340

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00:51:25,340 --> 00:51:26,800 That's what we had every night.

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 $00:51:26,800 \longrightarrow 00:51:36,010$

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00:51:36,010 --> 00:51:41,140 I'm still having trouble when people get excited

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00:51:41,140 --> 00:51:42,340 over a beautiful sunset.

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00:51:42,340 --> 00:51:44,260 And I say, come on, you haven't ever

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00:51:44,260 --> 00:51:48,898 seen a really beautiful sunset until you've been in Sosua.

798 00:51:48,898 --> 00:51:51,386 No, this is spectacular.

799 00:51:51,386 --> 00:51:51,886 Wow.

800 00:51:51,886 --> 00:52:33,260

801 00:52:33,260 --> 00:52:34,534 Wow, that's great.

802 00:52:34,534 --> 00:52:38,310

803 00:52:38,310 --> 00:52:43,000 Yeah, the story of Sosua isn't generally known.

804 00:52:43,000 --> 00:52:47,310 That's why I feel it's so important to tell that story.

805 00:52:47,310 --> 00:52:50,128 No, that's true.

806 00:52:50,128 --> 00:52:52,190 That was our basketball team.

807 00:52:52,190 --> 00:52:55,870

808 00:52:55,870 --> 00:52:56,752 And where are you? 809

810 00:52:59,350 --> 00:53:04,100 On the right, second from

00:52:56,752 --> 00:52:59,350

the right, and standing up.

811 00:53:04,100 --> 00:53:07,310 And my sister's right behind me to the right.

812 00:53:07,310 --> 00:53:07,810 Wow.

813 00:53:07,810 --> 00:53:35,800

814 00:53:35,800 --> 00:53:39,910 That's a picture of my sister when

815 00:53:39,910 --> 00:53:46,720 she was working with the kindergarten, nursery school

816 00:53:46,720 --> 00:53:49,585 kindergarten, and her group of children.

817 00:53:49,585 --> 00:53:52,420

818 00:53:52,420 --> 00:53:54,220 That must look like Israel, too.

819 00:53:54,220 --> 00:54:04,520

820 00:54:04,520 --> 00:54:07,970 We had a director coming to Sosua from Israel,

821 00:54:07,970 --> 00:54:11,850 as a matter of fact.

822 00:54:11,850 --> 00:54:18,720 They had problems finding the right person to direct us.

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00:54:18,720 --> 00:54:21,240

And they had to get an expert from Israel.

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00:54:21,240 --> 00:54:25,200

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00:54:25,200 --> 00:54:28,050

And actually, they

did best on their own

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00:54:28,050 --> 00:54:29,420

after everybody else left.

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 $00:54:29,420 \longrightarrow 00:54:44,170$

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00:54:44,170 --> 00:54:46,900

That was taken just before my sister and I left.

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00:54:46,900 --> 00:55:13,060

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00:55:13,060 --> 00:55:15,490

How old were you at that

time the picture was taken?

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00:55:15,490 --> 00:55:19,220

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00:55:19,220 --> 00:55:20,040

Almost 17.

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00:55:20,040 --> 00:55:23,080

16, almost 17.

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00:55:23,080 --> 00:55:25,900

That house-- house, that

shack is still there.

835 00:55:25,900 --> 00:55:46,710

836 00:55:46,710 --> 00:55:47,210 Later.

837 00:55:47,210 --> 00:55:54,220

838 00:55:54,220 --> 00:55:59,720 When we came for the reunion.

839 00:55:59,720 --> 00:56:01,870 And who is everyone in this picture?

840 00:56:01,870 --> 00:56:07,340

841 00:56:07,340 --> 00:56:13,250 In the middle is my son and I. And to the right and left

842 00:56:13,250 --> 00:56:14,630 is my sister and her son.

843 00:56:14,630 --> 00:57:02,770

844 00:57:02,770 --> 00:57:06,820 Just felt wonderful to go back there with the kids.

845 00:57:06,820 --> 00:57:11,224 They could appreciate your past, yeah.

846 00:57:11,224 --> 00:57:25,492 00:57:25,492 --> 00:57:31,545 Well, these are current postcards from the area.

848 00:57:31,545 --> 00:57:33,670 Because you said, it was developed into a tourist--

849 00:57:33,670 --> 00:57:34,940 Into a tourist-type area.

850 00:57:34,940 --> 00:57:35,890 --attraction.

851 00:57:35,890 --> 00:57:52,080

852 00:57:52,080 --> 00:57:54,840 Seems like a pretty nice place to grow up.

853 00:57:54,840 --> 00:57:55,340 Yeah.

854 00:57:55,340 --> 00:57:58,427

855 00:57:58,427 --> 00:58:00,570 Is the water really that blue?

856 00:58:00,570 --> 00:58:01,630 Oh, yeah.

857 00:58:01,630 --> 00:58:07,330 It's sort of more turquoise than blue.

858 00:58:07,330 --> 00:58:08,500 Yeah, the water is terrific.

859 00:58:08,500 --> 00:58:09,780 It still is. 860 00:58:09,780 --> 00:58:40,176

861 00:58:40,176 --> 00:58:44,890 It's the principle that you saw in the other shots.

862 00:58:44,890 --> 00:58:49,390 And the rabbi was my rabbi from the wedding.

863 00:58:49,390 --> 00:58:49,990 That's right.

864 00:58:49,990 --> 00:58:52,750 This is the principle from those earlier photographs

865 00:58:52,750 --> 00:58:53,830 and those kids.

866 00:58:53,830 --> 00:58:54,610 I'm on the left.

867 00:58:54,610 --> 00:59:13,230

868 00:59:13,230 --> 00:59:17,610 And this was the congregation at the service.

869 00:59:17,610 --> 00:59:20,620 Oh, here's another great shot from the service, also.

870 00:59:20,620 --> 00:59:35,530

871 00:59:35,530 --> 00:59:37,332 These are wonderful. 872 00:59:37,332 --> 01:00:44,870

873 01:00:44,870 --> 01:00:49,720 This, my sister and I in front of the Casa Grande, which

874 01:00:49,720 --> 01:00:59,470 was the administration building, back in 1940.

875 01:00:59,470 --> 01:01:01,420 Now, it's kind of--

876 01:01:01,420 --> 01:01:04,930 I understand they want to renovate it and bring it up

877 01:01:04,930 --> 01:01:08,080 to make it into a historical building.

878 01:01:08,080 --> 01:01:12,310 But all they have so far is just that plaque.

879 01:01:12,310 --> 01:01:28,530

880 01:01:28,530 --> 01:01:31,760 I understand there's a squatter in the building with the beauty

881 01:01:31,760 --> 01:01:33,740 parlor.

882 01:01:33,740 --> 01:01:34,450 In what building?

883 01:01:34,450 --> 01:01:35,210 In that building? 884

01:01:35,210 --> 01:01:42,740 In that building now, yeah, the settler's organization,

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01:01:42,740 --> 01:01:44,210 they want to renovate it.

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01:01:44,210 --> 01:01:48,760 And they can't get the people out.

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01:01:48,760 --> 01:01:49,590 That's great.

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01:01:49,590 --> 01:01:50,670 A new [INAUDIBLE].

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01:01:50,670 --> 01:01:51,170 Yep.

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01:01:51,170 --> 01:01:58,530

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01:01:58,530 --> 01:02:04,295 This is the synagogue the way it looks now from the outside.

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01:02:04,295 --> 01:02:15,506

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01:02:15,506 --> 01:02:17,238 How many Jews is--

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01:02:17,238 --> 01:02:18,780 are there any Jews still living here?

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01:02:18,780 --> 01:02:20,860 I mean, is there still

a group of people?

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01:02:20,860 --> 01:02:21,360 Yeah.

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01:02:21,360 --> 01:02:21,860 How many?

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01:02:21,860 --> 01:02:27,120 About 30, 40, 50, I don't know.

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01:02:27,120 --> 01:02:30,570 I don't know exactly there.

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01:02:30,570 --> 01:02:34,380 There are some settlers that stayed, and their families.

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01:02:34,380 --> 01:02:36,840 And they are the ones who arranged all of that.

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01:02:36,840 --> 01:02:46,490

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01:02:46,490 --> 01:02:54,160 This is inside the synagogue and the man with a menorah

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01:02:54,160 --> 01:03:04,790 is the carpenter who originally carved it during the days

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01:03:04,790 --> 01:03:05,315 in the '40s.

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01:03:05,315 --> 01:03:24,749

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01:03:24,749 --> 01:03:27,465 I don't know if you want this, but that was from the banquet

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01:03:27,465 --> 01:03:29,886

that they gave us.

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01:03:29,886 --> 01:03:32,664

Sure, why not?

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01:03:32,664 --> 01:03:37,150

It's part of a whole experience.

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01:03:37,150 --> 01:03:38,940

How long did the reunion last?

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01:03:38,940 --> 01:03:42,270

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01:03:42,270 --> 01:03:49,990

From Thursday, Friday to Sunday.

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01:03:49,990 --> 01:03:51,100

Just a long weekend.

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01:03:51,100 --> 01:03:59,902

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01:03:59,902 --> 01:04:04,160

And this was also taken then.

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01:04:04,160 --> 01:04:22,090

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 $01:04:22,090 \longrightarrow 01:04:25,120$

There's got to be about

one, two, three, four, five

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01:04:25,120 --> 01:04:27,010

shades of blue in that picture.

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 $01:04:27,010 \longrightarrow 01:04:29,140$

Unfortunately, the video

doesn't quite capture it.

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01:04:29,140 --> 01:04:39,030

922 01:04:39,030 --> 01:04:39,530 Sheesh.

923 01:04:39,530 --> 01:04:42,220

924 01:04:42,220 --> 01:04:45,940 Now, the three women with my son,

925 01:04:45,940 --> 01:04:47,425 they're all just who were babies.

926 01:04:47,425 --> 01:05:21,700

927 01:05:21,700 --> 01:05:25,360 We also had an opening of a museum at the time.

928 01:05:25,360 --> 01:05:38,610 And that was-- the inside of the museum.

929 01:05:38,610 --> 01:05:40,710 We had those banners all over town.

930 01:05:40,710 --> 01:05:42,760 They had those banners.

931 01:05:42,760 --> 01:06:00,708

932 01:06:00,708 --> 01:06:03,160 And that's the last one.

933 01:06:03,160 --> 01:06:10,250 That's inside the museum with some old photos behind me.

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01:06:10,250 --> 01:06:37,760

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01:06:37,760 --> 01:06:40,620 So this is the last photo?

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01:06:40,620 --> 01:06:43,830 Well, thank you very much for making a whole special trip

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01:06:43,830 --> 01:06:44,330 just--

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01:06:44,330 --> 01:06:45,300 Oh, you're welcome.

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01:06:45,300 --> 01:06:45,800 --bringing.

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01:06:45,800 --> 01:06:46,520 My pleasure.

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01:06:46,520 --> 01:06:47,990 Yes.

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01:06:47,990 --> 01:06:51,200 This part is really fun.

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01:06:51,200 --> 01:06:52,620 Well, still, thank you.

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01:06:52,620 --> 01:06:54,730 It's really completes everything.

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01:06:54,730 --> 01:06:57,710 It gives us some images to put all the words.

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01:06:57,710 --> 01:06:59,150 And that helps a lot.

947 01:06:59,150 --> 01:07:00,030 Thank you very much.

948 01:07:00,030 --> 01:07:00,530 Yes.

949 01:07:00,530 --> 01:07:03,070 And thank you for doing the whole interview with us.

950 01:07:03,070 --> 01:07:05,620 Well, you're welcome.

951 01:07:05,620 --> 01:09:07,000