

1
00:00:00,000 --> 00:01:08,260

2
00:01:08,260 --> 00:01:13,010
First of all, I have to
tell you that the ship was

3
00:01:13,010 --> 00:01:15,950
the last trip for
the Drottningholm

4
00:01:15,950 --> 00:01:17,930
from Sweden to New York.

5
00:01:17,930 --> 00:01:21,260
And a few days before,
they came and they

6
00:01:21,260 --> 00:01:23,360
were in a terrible storm.

7
00:01:23,360 --> 00:01:26,210
And my daughter had the
passports and everything

8
00:01:26,210 --> 00:01:29,750
in her purse and it was
thrown over in the water.

9
00:01:29,750 --> 00:01:32,030
So they arrived
here without papers,

10
00:01:32,030 --> 00:01:34,475
and they kept and
guaranteed them for them.

11
00:01:34,475 --> 00:01:36,350
I think these are the
only two immigrants who

12

00:01:36,350 --> 00:01:38,210
never had any papers.

13
00:01:38,210 --> 00:01:41,990
And then my girlfriend's
who was in Shanghai cousin

14
00:01:41,990 --> 00:01:44,510
picked them up because
we didn't have any money

15
00:01:44,510 --> 00:01:47,640
to go to New York at that time.

16
00:01:47,640 --> 00:01:50,270
And he picked them up, and
they kept them overnight.

17
00:01:50,270 --> 00:01:52,580
And then the next day
they went on the train.

18
00:01:52,580 --> 00:01:55,565
And they arrived in
Oakland in February.

19
00:01:55,565 --> 00:01:58,370

20
00:01:58,370 --> 00:02:02,810
And well, I show
you the picture.

21
00:02:02,810 --> 00:02:04,820
It was unbelievable.

22
00:02:04,820 --> 00:02:05,600
It was.

23
00:02:05,600 --> 00:02:07,040
You were at the train station.

24

00:02:07,040 --> 00:02:09,289
Yeah, with my husband.

25
00:02:09,289 --> 00:02:11,420
And you there when
they disembarked.

26
00:02:11,420 --> 00:02:12,350
Yes.

27
00:02:12,350 --> 00:02:13,280
On train.

28
00:02:13,280 --> 00:02:14,540
And I hugged them both.

29
00:02:14,540 --> 00:02:15,860
What did they look like?

30
00:02:15,860 --> 00:02:17,130
To me, great.

31
00:02:17,130 --> 00:02:19,370
But of course,
they were grown up.

32
00:02:19,370 --> 00:02:21,380
My daughter is quite
taller than I am.

33
00:02:21,380 --> 00:02:23,210
And my son was 5' 2".

34
00:02:23,210 --> 00:02:26,730
And you see him now, after one
year, he grew up that much.

35
00:02:26,730 --> 00:02:31,910
And they didn't speak
too much English.

36
00:02:31,910 --> 00:02:33,860

And their German
was not too good.

37
00:02:33,860 --> 00:02:35,640

And they spoke
Swedish constantly.

38
00:02:35,640 --> 00:02:37,250

And so I said,
don't speak Swedish,

39
00:02:37,250 --> 00:02:38,790

I don't even understand it.

40
00:02:38,790 --> 00:02:40,340

Did you do recognize
them right away?

41
00:02:40,340 --> 00:02:41,602

Oh, yeah, yeah, right.

42
00:02:41,602 --> 00:02:42,560

Did they recognize you?

43
00:02:42,560 --> 00:02:46,040

Yeah, I think so,
yeah, they did.

44
00:02:46,040 --> 00:02:47,090

What did you say?

45
00:02:47,090 --> 00:02:48,230

Oh, gosh.

46
00:02:48,230 --> 00:02:50,390

I think we all cried.

47
00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:52,390

We didn't say, we cried a lot.

48
00:02:52,390 --> 00:02:54,710

And then I was home.

49
00:02:54,710 --> 00:02:57,470
But we all slept in one bed.

50
00:02:57,470 --> 00:02:59,810
We didn't even part at night.

51
00:02:59,810 --> 00:03:00,500
I forgot.

52
00:03:00,500 --> 00:03:01,990
We're starting up
in five seconds.

53
00:03:01,990 --> 00:03:04,310
Five seconds.

54
00:03:04,310 --> 00:03:04,940
I don't know.

55
00:03:04,940 --> 00:03:07,305
You were in one bed.

56
00:03:07,305 --> 00:03:08,930
And then we went a
little bit shopping.

57
00:03:08,930 --> 00:03:14,600

58
00:03:14,600 --> 00:03:18,986
And then they went to school
but they did not accept.

59
00:03:18,986 --> 00:03:22,110

60
00:03:22,110 --> 00:03:23,270
Where did she want to go?

61
00:03:23,270 --> 00:03:26,300

I think she wanted to
start working or something.

62
00:03:26,300 --> 00:03:29,090
And then they did not
accept the certificate

63
00:03:29,090 --> 00:03:30,740
that she was
through with school.

64
00:03:30,740 --> 00:03:34,490
So she had to go for one year
to Washington High School.

65
00:03:34,490 --> 00:03:39,440
And my son went to
procedure, he was only 14.

66
00:03:39,440 --> 00:03:42,410
And then he graduated.

67
00:03:42,410 --> 00:03:47,960
And I still hear the music
when we went to the graduation.

68
00:03:47,960 --> 00:03:50,750
And then she started to work.

69
00:03:50,750 --> 00:03:53,240
And she met her husband
at the Jewish Center

70
00:03:53,240 --> 00:03:56,000
on California Street.

71
00:03:56,000 --> 00:03:57,920
She went swimming,
and he saw her.

72
00:03:57,920 --> 00:03:58,985
They were both 19.

73

00:03:58,985 --> 00:04:01,940

74

00:04:01,940 --> 00:04:03,440

And when did they get married?

75

00:04:03,440 --> 00:04:04,550

A year later.

76

00:04:04,550 --> 00:04:06,110

Did you think they
were too young?

77

00:04:06,110 --> 00:04:06,843

Of course.

78

00:04:06,843 --> 00:04:09,260

When my daughter told us in
the breakfast table, and went,

79

00:04:09,260 --> 00:04:12,020

oh, mom, by the way,
I'm getting married,

80

00:04:12,020 --> 00:04:14,150

I went upstairs
and started to cry.

81

00:04:14,150 --> 00:04:16,430

And my husband said,
don't worry about it.

82

00:04:16,430 --> 00:04:17,630

She will be back in a year.

83

00:04:17,630 --> 00:04:18,800

They don't have any money.

84

00:04:18,800 --> 00:04:22,100

85

00:04:22,100 --> 00:04:23,030
But he was wrong.

86
00:04:23,030 --> 00:04:24,590
It lasted 40 years.

87
00:04:24,590 --> 00:04:26,760
They will be married
in September 40 years,

88
00:04:26,760 --> 00:04:28,940
god willing.

89
00:04:28,940 --> 00:04:31,430
She wouldn't even let me
buy her wedding dress.

90
00:04:31,430 --> 00:04:33,470
She had to buy it herself.

91
00:04:33,470 --> 00:04:35,450
She wouldn't take
a penny from me.

92
00:04:35,450 --> 00:04:39,720
She said, you worked so
hard, mommy, I won't take it.

93
00:04:39,720 --> 00:04:42,470
She's still the same way.

94
00:04:42,470 --> 00:04:45,080
What did you talk about?

95
00:04:45,080 --> 00:04:48,550
Did you try to catch up with
what had already happened?

96
00:04:48,550 --> 00:04:52,170
Well, they told me a lot
about the people they--

97

00:04:52,170 --> 00:04:55,610
well, oh, yeah, I told you that
my son was in the professor

98
00:04:55,610 --> 00:04:58,130
and then he had to
go to another house.

99
00:04:58,130 --> 00:05:04,230
And he stayed with them and the
little girl for the nine years.

100
00:05:04,230 --> 00:05:07,820
And in fact, they
were not together.

101
00:05:07,820 --> 00:05:10,970
They were only together
during vacation.

102
00:05:10,970 --> 00:05:13,790
And my son visit my daughter.

103
00:05:13,790 --> 00:05:20,010
She lived in Eskilstuna and
Peter lived in Surahammar.

104
00:05:20,010 --> 00:05:24,030
And then somebody passed away.

105
00:05:24,030 --> 00:05:28,680
And then the husband
passed away after the lady

106
00:05:28,680 --> 00:05:31,830
who looked after my daughter.

107
00:05:31,830 --> 00:05:38,670
And then when my son-in-law
made the first \$1,000 here,

108
00:05:38,670 --> 00:05:41,310
he sent her back with

the three children

109

00:05:41,310 --> 00:05:44,040

to see her aunt again in Sweden.

110

00:05:44,040 --> 00:05:45,240

And she did.

111

00:05:45,240 --> 00:05:47,190

And then a year later,

she passed away.

112

00:05:47,190 --> 00:05:50,130

So she's very happy that

she showed them the three

113

00:05:50,130 --> 00:05:51,660

kids she had at that time.

114

00:05:51,660 --> 00:05:54,820

115

00:05:54,820 --> 00:05:59,548

Had Steffi changed much,

other than physically,

116

00:05:59,548 --> 00:06:00,590

from what you remembered?

117

00:06:00,590 --> 00:06:02,830

What had her disposition

been like when

118

00:06:02,830 --> 00:06:05,200

she was a little girl?

119

00:06:05,200 --> 00:06:06,880

Very caring.

120

00:06:06,880 --> 00:06:09,670

And she never wanted to do--

121

00:06:09,670 --> 00:06:10,470
get any.

122

00:06:10,470 --> 00:06:12,730
I mean, she didn't want
to take anything from me.

123

00:06:12,730 --> 00:06:15,520
If I want to buy her a dress,
she said, oh, no, mommy, you

124

00:06:15,520 --> 00:06:16,390
buy a blouse.

125

00:06:16,390 --> 00:06:18,050
You need it more than I do.

126

00:06:18,050 --> 00:06:21,400
And she is still
the way today, too.

127

00:06:21,400 --> 00:06:23,440
It's unbelievable.

128

00:06:23,440 --> 00:06:27,520
She never asks for
anything, never, ever.

129

00:06:27,520 --> 00:06:29,740
And your son?

130

00:06:29,740 --> 00:06:33,880
Yeah, he's-- well, he worked--

131

00:06:33,880 --> 00:06:38,410
he was in procedure, then
he went to Washington.

132

00:06:38,410 --> 00:06:39,700
Then he went to Berkeley.

133

00:06:39,700 --> 00:06:42,370

And then he was called
in the Army at that time.

134

00:06:42,370 --> 00:06:46,330

But he had already arrangements
made to go to the Navy.

135

00:06:46,330 --> 00:06:51,040

So he was in the
Navy for three years.

136

00:06:51,040 --> 00:06:52,060

And he had to go.

137

00:06:52,060 --> 00:06:55,940

I asked him the other day
because I couldn't remember.

138

00:06:55,940 --> 00:06:58,360

And then in fact, the [? P ?]
[? master ?] came to us

139

00:06:58,360 --> 00:07:01,000

and asked if he couldn't stay
longer because he was very

140

00:07:01,000 --> 00:07:03,490

satisfied with his work.

141

00:07:03,490 --> 00:07:04,960

But he wanted to get out.

142

00:07:04,960 --> 00:07:07,150

Because I think he knew
Barbara then already.

143

00:07:07,150 --> 00:07:09,910

And then they got
married, his wife.

144

00:07:09,910 --> 00:07:11,978

What kind of adjustments

did the children

145

00:07:11,978 --> 00:07:13,270
have to make when they arrived?

146

00:07:13,270 --> 00:07:16,750
It was a big adjustment
with the language

147

00:07:16,750 --> 00:07:23,950
and with my husband, who
was not their father.

148

00:07:23,950 --> 00:07:26,290
But they adjusted.

149

00:07:26,290 --> 00:07:29,320
They get along because
they played tennis together

150

00:07:29,320 --> 00:07:31,030
with my son and taught them.

151

00:07:31,030 --> 00:07:33,700
We have a table tennis
teacher, table tennis.

152

00:07:33,700 --> 00:07:37,730
So they enjoyed each
other very much.

153

00:07:37,730 --> 00:07:39,610
And Steffi was not
very long with us

154

00:07:39,610 --> 00:07:43,270
because she got married
after five years.

155

00:07:43,270 --> 00:07:44,260
No, not even.

156

00:07:44,260 --> 00:07:44,920
Yeah, five.

157
00:07:44,920 --> 00:07:47,260
No.

158
00:07:47,260 --> 00:07:48,940
They came in 1948.

159
00:07:48,940 --> 00:07:50,140
1948.

160
00:07:50,140 --> 00:07:51,580
And now they will be married--

161
00:07:51,580 --> 00:07:53,050
she was with us five years.

162
00:07:53,050 --> 00:07:55,263
Because she will be
married 40 years.

163
00:07:55,263 --> 00:07:56,305
Yeah, she married in '52.

164
00:07:56,305 --> 00:07:59,920

165
00:07:59,920 --> 00:08:03,640
Good thing I went
to business school.

166
00:08:03,640 --> 00:08:06,190
When did you buy the house?

167
00:08:06,190 --> 00:08:07,450
1947.

168
00:08:07,450 --> 00:08:08,620
The first house.

169

00:08:08,620 --> 00:08:11,710
1947, \$1,500 down.

170
00:08:11,710 --> 00:08:15,810
\$1,000 to take a mortgage.

171
00:08:15,810 --> 00:08:17,680
And what was that address?

172
00:08:17,680 --> 00:08:21,640
16th Avenue, 241 16th Avenue.

173
00:08:21,640 --> 00:08:23,530
It was between
California and Clement

174
00:08:23,530 --> 00:08:25,780
in the Richmond district.

175
00:08:25,780 --> 00:08:27,505
And how long had
you lived there?

176
00:08:27,505 --> 00:08:29,890
You know, I don't know.

177
00:08:29,890 --> 00:08:32,950
Oh, I think about
seven, eight years.

178
00:08:32,950 --> 00:08:36,220
And then we moved to the
Midtown terrace section

179
00:08:36,220 --> 00:08:37,780
because the house was too big.

180
00:08:37,780 --> 00:08:40,360
Steffi moved out and
Pete was not there.

181
00:08:40,360 --> 00:08:43,950

So we took a smaller
house, a two-bedroom house.

182
00:08:43,950 --> 00:08:47,920
And whom did Steffi marry?

183
00:08:47,920 --> 00:08:50,860
His name is Ron Zimmerman.

184
00:08:50,860 --> 00:08:53,200
In fact, he was
born in Shanghai,

185
00:08:53,200 --> 00:08:57,400
and his parents are
Russian refugees,

186
00:08:57,400 --> 00:09:00,850
who came here then after.

187
00:09:00,850 --> 00:09:03,280
I think the two other brothers
were born here already.

188
00:09:03,280 --> 00:09:05,560
I'm not quite sure.

189
00:09:05,560 --> 00:09:08,470
And where did
Steffi get married?

190
00:09:08,470 --> 00:09:12,850
In the Sharis Israel on
California in San Francisco.

191
00:09:12,850 --> 00:09:14,320
In temple?

192
00:09:14,320 --> 00:09:16,420
Yeah.

193
00:09:16,420 --> 00:09:20,980

I'm thinking of the name of the rabbi, but I can't remember.

194
00:09:20,980 --> 00:09:23,910
I have him at home on a picture.

195
00:09:23,910 --> 00:09:26,800
I can't remember.

196
00:09:26,800 --> 00:09:28,450
And how many children
does she have?

197
00:09:28,450 --> 00:09:29,530
Three.

198
00:09:29,530 --> 00:09:30,280
And grandchildren?

199
00:09:30,280 --> 00:09:32,950
Two boys.

200
00:09:32,950 --> 00:09:35,560
Four grandchildren.

201
00:09:35,560 --> 00:09:38,980
My daughter has
four grandchildren.

202
00:09:38,980 --> 00:09:44,170
Tell us the names of her
children and her grandchildren.

203
00:09:44,170 --> 00:09:47,470
Their name is Stephen,
Sharon, and Sandra.

204
00:09:47,470 --> 00:09:51,772
And Stevie has one girl--

205
00:09:51,772 --> 00:09:53,050
what's her name?

206
00:09:53,050 --> 00:09:54,645
Susan.

207
00:09:54,645 --> 00:09:56,020
Sharon doesn't
have any children.

208
00:09:56,020 --> 00:10:01,450
And Sandra has Shannalee,
Hailey, and Rory.

209
00:10:01,450 --> 00:10:03,841
I don't even need my book.

210
00:10:03,841 --> 00:10:04,640
Very good.

211
00:10:04,640 --> 00:10:07,230
And your son, when
did he get married?

212
00:10:07,230 --> 00:10:10,410
He got married five years
later in Los Angeles.

213
00:10:10,410 --> 00:10:11,920
And whom did he marry?

214
00:10:11,920 --> 00:10:15,340
Barbara Miller.

215
00:10:15,340 --> 00:10:20,920
And then they have three
girls, Pamela, Robin, and Kara.

216
00:10:20,920 --> 00:10:23,890
Kara is named after
Kennedy's daughter,

217
00:10:23,890 --> 00:10:26,250
they liked the name so much.

218

00:10:26,250 --> 00:10:28,750

And Pamela's married,
had three children--

219

00:10:28,750 --> 00:10:31,210

David, Joshua, and Rebecca.

220

00:10:31,210 --> 00:10:32,710

Robin doesn't have any yet.

221

00:10:32,710 --> 00:10:33,940

And Kara is not married yet.

222

00:10:33,940 --> 00:10:39,830

223

00:10:39,830 --> 00:10:42,942

That's my whole story.

224

00:10:42,942 --> 00:10:45,490

Do you have any questions, Gail?

225

00:10:45,490 --> 00:10:48,267

I do.

226

00:10:48,267 --> 00:10:49,350

Do you want me to go back?

227

00:10:49,350 --> 00:10:50,660

Sure, go ahead.

228

00:10:50,660 --> 00:10:53,830

Because I would go
back quite a way.

229

00:10:53,830 --> 00:10:55,590

OK.

230

00:10:55,590 --> 00:10:59,920

Well, my job is kind of

to ask questions that--

231
00:10:59,920 --> 00:11:02,290
where there might have
been gaps in the story.

232
00:11:02,290 --> 00:11:07,060
So what I'd like to do
is go back and ask you

233
00:11:07,060 --> 00:11:10,315
a question about the business
that your parents had when you

234
00:11:10,315 --> 00:11:12,280
were a girl selling feathers.

235
00:11:12,280 --> 00:11:14,680
Flowers and feathers, yeah.

236
00:11:14,680 --> 00:11:16,705
That was across the
street from Kissling.

237
00:11:16,705 --> 00:11:18,790
Kissling is a beer things.

238
00:11:18,790 --> 00:11:21,970
And when I went in the
afternoon with my mother,

239
00:11:21,970 --> 00:11:24,880
I saw the woman coming out
already drunk at 2 o'clock

240
00:11:24,880 --> 00:11:27,190
in the afternoon.

241
00:11:27,190 --> 00:11:28,225
That I still remember.

242
00:11:28,225 --> 00:11:32,320

And they came out like this.

243
00:11:32,320 --> 00:11:35,020
So what part of
Breslau was that in?

244
00:11:35,020 --> 00:11:39,610
That was in a town, actually,
in the business section, where

245
00:11:39,610 --> 00:11:42,820
my parents had their office.

246
00:11:42,820 --> 00:11:44,600
On Jungenstrasse.

247
00:11:44,600 --> 00:11:46,780
But it is all changed.

248
00:11:46,780 --> 00:11:50,140
Because I play bridge
and I met a lady.

249
00:11:50,140 --> 00:11:52,150
And she had a very,
very heavy accent.

250
00:11:52,150 --> 00:11:54,070
So I asked her where
she comes from.

251
00:11:54,070 --> 00:11:55,990
And she said, actually,
I come from Poland.

252
00:11:55,990 --> 00:11:57,100
But then I live in--

253
00:11:57,100 --> 00:11:58,397
I said, where did you live?

254
00:11:58,397 --> 00:11:59,980

And she said, you
won't know the city.

255
00:11:59,980 --> 00:12:01,330
I said, well, tell me.

256
00:12:01,330 --> 00:12:02,620
She said, Breslau.

257
00:12:02,620 --> 00:12:04,360
I said to her, this
is my hometown.

258
00:12:04,360 --> 00:12:05,495
Where did you live?

259
00:12:05,495 --> 00:12:07,120
She said, you wouldn't
know the street,

260
00:12:07,120 --> 00:12:08,800
they all changed it
to Russian names.

261
00:12:08,800 --> 00:12:12,730
So we couldn't even convert
where she was living.

262
00:12:12,730 --> 00:12:14,170
She went to the university.

263
00:12:14,170 --> 00:12:15,860
But isn't it a small world?

264
00:12:15,860 --> 00:12:16,886
Yeah.

265
00:12:16,886 --> 00:12:18,655
Yeah, she's the
refugee from Poland.

266
00:12:18,655 --> 00:12:21,710

267

00:12:21,710 --> 00:12:23,440

Well, I was wondering--

268

00:12:23,440 --> 00:12:25,690

in this business that

your parents had,

269

00:12:25,690 --> 00:12:28,090

did they sell to

Gentiles as well as Jews?

270

00:12:28,090 --> 00:12:28,840

Oh, yes.

271

00:12:28,840 --> 00:12:29,410

Oh, yes.

272

00:12:29,410 --> 00:12:32,260

He traveled, and there

was never any question

273

00:12:32,260 --> 00:12:33,670

what religion you are.

274

00:12:33,670 --> 00:12:36,970

We never even knew

that you asked.

275

00:12:36,970 --> 00:12:39,190

Even in school, I

mean, we knew this.

276

00:12:39,190 --> 00:12:40,510

We are Jewish girls.

277

00:12:40,510 --> 00:12:44,500

We had the lesson together.

278

00:12:44,500 --> 00:12:46,210

And these were this

and these were this.

279

00:12:46,210 --> 00:12:49,180

But afterwards, we
were always together.

280

00:12:49,180 --> 00:12:54,830

And never any remarks, or any
hate, or anything like that.

281

00:12:54,830 --> 00:12:56,260

I don't remember, anyway.

282

00:12:56,260 --> 00:12:57,970

Never.

283

00:12:57,970 --> 00:13:01,360

So when Hitler came to
power, did your father

284

00:13:01,360 --> 00:13:02,410

still have this business?

285

00:13:02,410 --> 00:13:04,000

Yeah.

286

00:13:04,000 --> 00:13:07,210

And did it change in
terms of the clientele?

287

00:13:07,210 --> 00:13:08,740

Yes, it changed very much.

288

00:13:08,740 --> 00:13:13,270

And then the fashion
changed and nobody

289

00:13:13,270 --> 00:13:17,500

wanted to buy anymore
flowers or feathers.

290

00:13:17,500 --> 00:13:20,080

And then he had to
give it up because he

291
00:13:20,080 --> 00:13:22,840
couldn't make any money.

292
00:13:22,840 --> 00:13:24,460
But he didn't give
it up because of--

293
00:13:24,460 --> 00:13:28,720
Of Hitler, no, but the
time was very, very bad.

294
00:13:28,720 --> 00:13:31,520
It got worse and worse.

295
00:13:31,520 --> 00:13:36,046
So people didn't spend as much
money anymore as they used to.

296
00:13:36,046 --> 00:13:39,760
Was there ever a time when he
could not sell to Gentiles?

297
00:13:39,760 --> 00:13:42,010
No, no, no.

298
00:13:42,010 --> 00:13:44,710
That was not.

299
00:13:44,710 --> 00:13:50,740
Whole Germany went down very,
very much business-wise.

300
00:13:50,740 --> 00:13:52,270
That's why he became so big.

301
00:13:52,270 --> 00:13:54,880
Because he promised
them so much.

302

00:13:54,880 --> 00:13:59,350
That's why he voted, why
everybody voted for him.

303
00:13:59,350 --> 00:14:02,080
Because people were hungry.

304
00:14:02,080 --> 00:14:07,330
And when you promised
them so much--

305
00:14:07,330 --> 00:14:09,910
everybody will have a car,
and everybody will live

306
00:14:09,910 --> 00:14:12,220
like a king, and you go for it.

307
00:14:12,220 --> 00:14:15,490

308
00:14:15,490 --> 00:14:17,910
And it's so easy
to blame somebody.

309
00:14:17,910 --> 00:14:20,340
And there was
always antisemitism.

310
00:14:20,340 --> 00:14:24,480
There was always in this
world, in Germany, so

311
00:14:24,480 --> 00:14:26,730
even worse than
Poland, and the worst

312
00:14:26,730 --> 00:14:29,820
in Russia than in Germany.

313
00:14:29,820 --> 00:14:34,530
Did you feel that as a girl you
experienced much antisemitism?

314
00:14:34,530 --> 00:14:35,370
I beg your pardon?

315
00:14:35,370 --> 00:14:36,160
As a girl?

316
00:14:36,160 --> 00:14:36,796
No.

317
00:14:36,796 --> 00:14:38,296
You don't feel you
experienced that.

318
00:14:38,296 --> 00:14:39,690
No, not at all.

319
00:14:39,690 --> 00:14:43,887
Because most people didn't
even know I was Jewish.

320
00:14:43,887 --> 00:14:45,720
I don't know, maybe I
didn't look so Jewish,

321
00:14:45,720 --> 00:14:47,970
or maybe they had another
idea what Jewish looked.

322
00:14:47,970 --> 00:14:49,350
I don't have any idea.

323
00:14:49,350 --> 00:14:52,680
But I've had never
anybody saying anything

324
00:14:52,680 --> 00:14:53,700
about this to me.

325
00:14:53,700 --> 00:14:59,760

326

00:14:59,760 --> 00:15:01,470

Then the next thing
I wanted to ask about

327

00:15:01,470 --> 00:15:04,980

was-- do you remember where
you were on Kristallnacht?

328

00:15:04,980 --> 00:15:06,390

I was home.

329

00:15:06,390 --> 00:15:08,790

And what did you see that night?

330

00:15:08,790 --> 00:15:09,840

We didn't see anything.

331

00:15:09,840 --> 00:15:13,380

But the next day, we
saw how they destroyed

332

00:15:13,380 --> 00:15:17,090

the business, the Jewish
business, and the temples

333

00:15:17,090 --> 00:15:19,515

were all thrown in glass.

334

00:15:19,515 --> 00:15:22,890

335

00:15:22,890 --> 00:15:29,340

So we knew that we had-- that
was 1938, I think in November.

336

00:15:29,340 --> 00:15:32,700

And then, I think we
had to make a move.

337

00:15:32,700 --> 00:15:36,840

And people still didn't
believe it would last.

338
00:15:36,840 --> 00:15:38,540
They still didn't
think it would last.

339
00:15:38,540 --> 00:15:41,510

340
00:15:41,510 --> 00:15:45,890
Did any of your friends
experience any violence

341
00:15:45,890 --> 00:15:47,420
personally that night?

342
00:15:47,420 --> 00:15:50,250
No, no, I don't know.

343
00:15:50,250 --> 00:15:52,520
No, this I don't know.

344
00:15:52,520 --> 00:15:53,540
Well, some shops.

345
00:15:53,540 --> 00:15:57,950
Of course, they all
lost their business

346
00:15:57,950 --> 00:16:01,910
because they stole everything,
and they threw glass,

347
00:16:01,910 --> 00:16:04,460
and destroyed the shops.

348
00:16:04,460 --> 00:16:08,060

349
00:16:08,060 --> 00:16:09,322
And what were the--

350

00:16:09,322 --> 00:16:11,030

I know the children
were very young then,

351

00:16:11,030 --> 00:16:14,720

but what were their
reactions to the Nazis?

352

00:16:14,720 --> 00:16:19,130

I don't think they knew very
much about it because we

353

00:16:19,130 --> 00:16:20,390

didn't talk too much about it.

354

00:16:20,390 --> 00:16:22,710

We were so scared
even to say anything.

355

00:16:22,710 --> 00:16:25,580

We really thought that
somewhere, everybody

356

00:16:25,580 --> 00:16:28,010

is listening to.

357

00:16:28,010 --> 00:16:29,180

So you said very little?

358

00:16:29,180 --> 00:16:29,840

Very little.

359

00:16:29,840 --> 00:16:33,200

And even over the phone, we were
very careful to say anything.

360

00:16:33,200 --> 00:16:35,720

Because it was open, they
could all listen in to it.

361

00:16:35,720 --> 00:16:37,880

We didn't know who was
listening in to and when.

362
00:16:37,880 --> 00:16:40,640

363
00:16:40,640 --> 00:16:44,900
We were just scared stiff,
all of us, as I remember.

364
00:16:44,900 --> 00:16:53,070

365
00:16:53,070 --> 00:16:56,970
And of course, you had to
wear a star, of course.

366
00:16:56,970 --> 00:16:58,440
The Jewish star.

367
00:16:58,440 --> 00:17:01,140
This, my daughter said
to me the other day,

368
00:17:01,140 --> 00:17:06,300
that I had to wear things,
but I do not remember.

369
00:17:06,300 --> 00:17:08,819
She thinks we did.

370
00:17:08,819 --> 00:17:10,200
A band.

371
00:17:10,200 --> 00:17:13,140
But I just-- this
I cannot recall.

372
00:17:13,140 --> 00:17:14,710
So you don't recall
wearing a star?

373
00:17:14,710 --> 00:17:15,210
No.

374
00:17:15,210 --> 00:17:18,700

375
00:17:18,700 --> 00:17:21,220
I do not remember that.

376
00:17:21,220 --> 00:17:23,890
She thinks we did have
a band around our arm.

377
00:17:23,890 --> 00:17:26,230
But I don't know.

378
00:17:26,230 --> 00:17:29,920
I cannot remember that.

379
00:17:29,920 --> 00:17:31,990
I only know that I
couldn't take them anymore

380
00:17:31,990 --> 00:17:36,765
to the park, where there was
written down the swastika

381
00:17:36,765 --> 00:17:38,540
and said no Jews, no Jews.

382
00:17:38,540 --> 00:17:40,630
So that's when we
went to the cemetery

383
00:17:40,630 --> 00:17:43,210
to get some little
bit fresh air.

384
00:17:43,210 --> 00:17:46,300
This I remember.

385
00:17:46,300 --> 00:17:49,410
Was your shopping-- did
that become limited?

386
00:17:49,410 --> 00:17:51,210
No.

387
00:17:51,210 --> 00:17:53,680
No, but we didn't have
much money anyway to shop.

388
00:17:53,680 --> 00:17:57,897
We just shopped
what we had to have.

389
00:17:57,897 --> 00:17:59,980
Because when my husband
brought the paycheck home,

390
00:17:59,980 --> 00:18:02,590
we just had this was the rent,
and this was for the food.

391
00:18:02,590 --> 00:18:05,320
And sometimes there was some
for shoes left, and sometimes

392
00:18:05,320 --> 00:18:08,410
were nothing left.

393
00:18:08,410 --> 00:18:11,440
Gas and so on.

394
00:18:11,440 --> 00:18:16,840
A very tight budget,
very, very tight.

395
00:18:16,840 --> 00:18:19,000
And the kids going
to school then.

396
00:18:19,000 --> 00:18:21,880
But we didn't pay anything
for the school at that time,

397

00:18:21,880 --> 00:18:24,890
I don't think so.

398
00:18:24,890 --> 00:18:27,460
I have the picture here,
where Steffi went to school.

399
00:18:27,460 --> 00:18:32,860
And then we gave them two of
these things for the first day

400
00:18:32,860 --> 00:18:34,090
with chocolate in it.

401
00:18:34,090 --> 00:18:39,530

402
00:18:39,530 --> 00:18:41,930
Did you ever have--

403
00:18:41,930 --> 00:18:45,780
was your house ever raided,
any possessions ever taken.

404
00:18:45,780 --> 00:18:46,280
No.

405
00:18:46,280 --> 00:18:47,990
But we had to give it up.

406
00:18:47,990 --> 00:18:51,380
We had to give the rings
and everything we had.

407
00:18:51,380 --> 00:18:54,410
So out of fear, we
did what they told us.

408
00:18:54,410 --> 00:18:58,370
We would never hide anything,
not to get caught and go

409

00:18:58,370 --> 00:18:59,190
to the camp.

410
00:18:59,190 --> 00:19:03,830
So as I said, I gave
that beautiful ring.

411
00:19:03,830 --> 00:19:07,160
And I don't know who took
all my beds, and my tables,

412
00:19:07,160 --> 00:19:08,030
and everything.

413
00:19:08,030 --> 00:19:09,440
That was taken away.

414
00:19:09,440 --> 00:19:11,660
When I moved out,
I took my stuff,

415
00:19:11,660 --> 00:19:15,720
and moved out, and
left everything.

416
00:19:15,720 --> 00:19:18,170
So you don't know what
happened to your apartment

417
00:19:18,170 --> 00:19:19,100
after you left?

418
00:19:19,100 --> 00:19:21,120
No idea.

419
00:19:21,120 --> 00:19:23,780
But the things my
parents sent to me

420
00:19:23,780 --> 00:19:29,030
and they paid him for it, that
was taken back to Germany.

421

00:19:29,030 --> 00:19:32,630

Because they were sending
us to Sweden, to my kids.

422

00:19:32,630 --> 00:19:37,670

And they hoped that I could
get it there but I couldn't.

423

00:19:37,670 --> 00:19:39,280

Never get anything out of that.

424

00:19:39,280 --> 00:19:47,720

425

00:19:47,720 --> 00:19:50,950

This is something that you may
have answered along the way,

426

00:19:50,950 --> 00:19:52,060

and I just didn't catch.

427

00:19:52,060 --> 00:19:56,410

But the last time that you
heard from your parents,

428

00:19:56,410 --> 00:19:58,261

where were they?

429

00:19:58,261 --> 00:20:05,300

They were in the same street in
Breslau, where they used to be.

430

00:20:05,300 --> 00:20:07,910

And were you able to
tell from their letters

431

00:20:07,910 --> 00:20:11,440

if their living
conditions had changed?

432

00:20:11,440 --> 00:20:13,460

No, but you could

read through the lines

433

00:20:13,460 --> 00:20:16,540

that they were very unhappy
and wanted to get out.

434

00:20:16,540 --> 00:20:17,980

And that broke my heart.

435

00:20:17,980 --> 00:20:18,980

And I couldn't do it.

436

00:20:18,980 --> 00:20:19,980

I couldn't help them.

437

00:20:19,980 --> 00:20:22,850

438

00:20:22,850 --> 00:20:25,100

There was no
connection whatsoever.

439

00:20:25,100 --> 00:20:31,630

440

00:20:31,630 --> 00:20:38,550

So you had friends who were able
to take their entire families

441

00:20:38,550 --> 00:20:39,525

out, is that correct?

442

00:20:39,525 --> 00:20:42,270

443

00:20:42,270 --> 00:20:44,935

I guess my question is, if
you had had a lot of money,

444

00:20:44,935 --> 00:20:46,810

would you have been able
to get your entire--

445
00:20:46,810 --> 00:20:47,310
Oh, yes.

446
00:20:47,310 --> 00:20:47,890
--family out?

447
00:20:47,890 --> 00:20:51,010
Yes, at that time, yes.

448
00:20:51,010 --> 00:20:55,560
In '38, '37, yes,
you could get out.

449
00:20:55,560 --> 00:20:57,420
But most people
didn't because they

450
00:20:57,420 --> 00:21:00,780
didn't think it would last.

451
00:21:00,780 --> 00:21:03,360
Some people were smart,
and sent their money out,

452
00:21:03,360 --> 00:21:09,240
and they were accepted, and
they got the visa to get out.

453
00:21:09,240 --> 00:21:12,120
But not very many.

454
00:21:12,120 --> 00:21:15,060
Because six million
didn't believe it.

455
00:21:15,060 --> 00:21:15,560
Right?

456
00:21:15,560 --> 00:21:19,350
Otherwise you wouldn't
have been killed.

457
00:21:19,350 --> 00:21:22,470
And then they only
told them to go away

458
00:21:22,470 --> 00:21:24,090
to make room for other people.

459
00:21:24,090 --> 00:21:26,350
And they didn't know that
they were going to camp.

460
00:21:26,350 --> 00:21:29,560
And so on and so forth.

461
00:21:29,560 --> 00:21:31,720
And out of the camp,
they undressed them,

462
00:21:31,720 --> 00:21:32,970
and took their gold teeth out.

463
00:21:32,970 --> 00:21:39,390
And only human being can be
that cruel and not an animal.

464
00:21:39,390 --> 00:21:45,380

465
00:21:45,380 --> 00:21:48,515
Well, moving on to England.

466
00:21:48,515 --> 00:21:52,250

467
00:21:52,250 --> 00:21:59,001
Did you have-- were there
Jewish communities set up there?

468
00:21:59,001 --> 00:22:01,730
This, I don't know.

469

00:22:01,730 --> 00:22:04,970

Because I worked in that
hospital and I never got out.

470

00:22:04,970 --> 00:22:07,970

On my day off, I met my
girlfriend from my home town

471

00:22:07,970 --> 00:22:10,130

and we had some coffee together.

472

00:22:10,130 --> 00:22:11,060

And then I went back.

473

00:22:11,060 --> 00:22:13,170

I never even knew there was any.

474

00:22:13,170 --> 00:22:15,750

But I'm sure there was any
community of us, I'm sure.

475

00:22:15,750 --> 00:22:18,470

476

00:22:18,470 --> 00:22:21,470

Did you go to religious
services, temple?

477

00:22:21,470 --> 00:22:22,410

Not at all.

478

00:22:22,410 --> 00:22:23,130

Not at all.

479

00:22:23,130 --> 00:22:25,580

Never, not in England.

480

00:22:25,580 --> 00:22:27,770

Not in Shanghai, either.

481

00:22:27,770 --> 00:22:28,600

How this was.

482
00:22:28,600 --> 00:22:32,360

483
00:22:32,360 --> 00:22:34,483
Was it available to you?

484
00:22:34,483 --> 00:22:35,400
I mean, did you want--

485
00:22:35,400 --> 00:22:36,065
You mean in England?

486
00:22:36,065 --> 00:22:36,815
--to go to temple?

487
00:22:36,815 --> 00:22:38,030
Yeah.

488
00:22:38,030 --> 00:22:40,910
I don't know.

489
00:22:40,910 --> 00:22:45,540
Because I didn't even know
my way around too much there.

490
00:22:45,540 --> 00:22:47,720
And to ask somebody,
I don't know.

491
00:22:47,720 --> 00:22:54,890

492
00:22:54,890 --> 00:23:00,140
Oh, there was-- back
in Germany, I just

493
00:23:00,140 --> 00:23:04,400
had a question about
the dentist's office,

494

00:23:04,400 --> 00:23:06,340
when you worked for the dentist.

495

00:23:06,340 --> 00:23:09,470
Did he have only
Jewish patients?

496

00:23:09,470 --> 00:23:11,450
Oh, no, no, no.

497

00:23:11,450 --> 00:23:12,440
He had others, too.

498

00:23:12,440 --> 00:23:15,896
Other religions, too.

499

00:23:15,896 --> 00:23:17,740
Even under the Nazi act?

500

00:23:17,740 --> 00:23:21,260
Oh, yeah, definitely, yeah.

501

00:23:21,260 --> 00:23:27,320
Because it wasn't even so
prominent that you asked about.

502

00:23:27,320 --> 00:23:29,390
If it's a good person,
then you didn't

503

00:23:29,390 --> 00:23:31,560
ask what religion they were.

504

00:23:31,560 --> 00:23:32,660
That was the second.

505

00:23:32,660 --> 00:23:33,635
We were first German.

506

00:23:33,635 --> 00:23:36,740

507
00:23:36,740 --> 00:23:41,390
See, when the Polish refugees
came over from Poland

508
00:23:41,390 --> 00:23:45,590
in, I don't know, 1933, or
so, we couldn't believe it

509
00:23:45,590 --> 00:23:47,420
the way they were
dressed, and the way

510
00:23:47,420 --> 00:23:48,690
they didn't have anything.

511
00:23:48,690 --> 00:23:51,330
We didn't have anything either,
but at least we were clean.

512
00:23:51,330 --> 00:23:54,240
They didn't even look
clean to us at that time.

513
00:23:54,240 --> 00:23:56,790

514
00:23:56,790 --> 00:24:02,810
So it's a different bring
up, maybe, or I don't know.

515
00:24:02,810 --> 00:24:05,450
Because they came to
Germany, quite a bit,

516
00:24:05,450 --> 00:24:06,385
the Polish refugees.

517
00:24:06,385 --> 00:24:13,110

518
00:24:13,110 --> 00:24:16,515

Everybody was hungry
at this, already.

519
00:24:16,515 --> 00:24:20,550

520
00:24:20,550 --> 00:24:23,790
Was there any regulation
of the dentist's office

521
00:24:23,790 --> 00:24:26,090
by the government or
[INAUDIBLE] during that time?

522
00:24:26,090 --> 00:24:30,570
No, not the time
when I was there.

523
00:24:30,570 --> 00:24:35,290
He had a few patients, and I
did the bookkeeping for him.

524
00:24:35,290 --> 00:24:40,270
And I don't know if he
ever got out of Germany.

525
00:24:40,270 --> 00:24:41,650
I don't think so.

526
00:24:41,650 --> 00:24:43,470
I don't know.

527
00:24:43,470 --> 00:24:46,110
I left in such a hurry
that I couldn't even--

528
00:24:46,110 --> 00:24:48,180
I asked my parents
to call him that I

529
00:24:48,180 --> 00:24:50,430
won't be there on Monday.

530

00:24:50,430 --> 00:24:52,320

I couldn't even reach
him before I left.

531

00:24:52,320 --> 00:24:54,990

532

00:24:54,990 --> 00:24:55,940

And what was his name?

533

00:24:55,940 --> 00:24:57,429

Do you remember his name?

534

00:24:57,429 --> 00:25:05,002

535

00:25:05,002 --> 00:25:05,710

Isn't that funny?

536

00:25:05,710 --> 00:25:07,711

I don't remember
her name anymore.

537

00:25:07,711 --> 00:25:12,130

538

00:25:12,130 --> 00:25:14,320

No, I can't remember his name.

539

00:25:14,320 --> 00:25:16,730

Did I say it before?

540

00:25:16,730 --> 00:25:17,560

You might have.

541

00:25:17,560 --> 00:25:18,100

Yeah.

542

00:25:18,100 --> 00:25:19,450

I can't remember now.

543
00:25:19,450 --> 00:25:21,830
OK.

544
00:25:21,830 --> 00:25:23,050
I can't remember now.

545
00:25:23,050 --> 00:25:27,050

546
00:25:27,050 --> 00:25:27,860
Let's see, then.

547
00:25:27,860 --> 00:25:30,475

548
00:25:30,475 --> 00:25:31,400
Let's see.

549
00:25:31,400 --> 00:25:34,630
The next question I
had was about Shanghai.

550
00:25:34,630 --> 00:25:38,090
What kinds of things did
you do there for fun?

551
00:25:38,090 --> 00:25:38,690
For fun?

552
00:25:38,690 --> 00:25:39,982
Yeah, what kinds of activities?

553
00:25:39,982 --> 00:25:42,470
We were sitting
outside on the street

554
00:25:42,470 --> 00:25:43,940
and having a little
bit fresh air.

555
00:25:43,940 --> 00:25:44,900

That was our fun.

556

00:25:44,900 --> 00:25:47,150

There was no fun.

557

00:25:47,150 --> 00:25:51,380

Sometimes we went-- there was a restaurant we went for coffee.

558

00:25:51,380 --> 00:25:54,170

But otherwise, we didn't do very much.

559

00:25:54,170 --> 00:25:58,830

560

00:25:58,830 --> 00:26:01,950

Again, there, did you feel like there were--

561

00:26:01,950 --> 00:26:05,145

well, actually Sylvia asked you this question

562

00:26:05,145 --> 00:26:11,520

about Jewish communities or community organization.

563

00:26:11,520 --> 00:26:13,680

Oh, yeah, there was.

564

00:26:13,680 --> 00:26:16,890

They had homes there for Jewish people

565

00:26:16,890 --> 00:26:19,290

they made so they could live there.

566

00:26:19,290 --> 00:26:23,070

And I don't think they paid any money.

567

00:26:23,070 --> 00:26:24,090

This Jewish camp.

568

00:26:24,090 --> 00:26:27,540

And then the American bombed
one of these camps, this I know.

569

00:26:27,540 --> 00:26:30,290

570

00:26:30,290 --> 00:26:31,740

But we had one room.

571

00:26:31,740 --> 00:26:34,610

We had enough money
to rent this one room.

572

00:26:34,610 --> 00:26:38,860

But some people didn't even
have any to even rent a room.

573

00:26:38,860 --> 00:26:41,740

But through this, lived
in that camps and those.

574

00:26:41,740 --> 00:26:48,850

575

00:26:48,850 --> 00:26:50,600

And the last question
I had about Shanghai

576

00:26:50,600 --> 00:26:53,240

was-- could you tell us about
your wedding ceremony, what

577

00:26:53,240 --> 00:26:54,080

it was like?

578

00:26:54,080 --> 00:26:59,900

Oh, yeah, this is
by Chinese laws.

579

00:26:59,900 --> 00:27:05,630

Because Hitler took our things away, our citizenship.

580

00:27:05,630 --> 00:27:09,440

So you had to go to a restaurant where people can come in.

581

00:27:09,440 --> 00:27:12,530

And you had to have two witness and lawyer.

582

00:27:12,530 --> 00:27:13,680

And then I have it.

583

00:27:13,680 --> 00:27:18,560

I have the certificate at home in Chinese

584

00:27:18,560 --> 00:27:22,670

that we get married on July 30, 1942.

585

00:27:22,670 --> 00:27:24,410

The two witnesses were the [INAUDIBLE],,

586

00:27:24,410 --> 00:27:30,020

the delicatessen store we lived above, and a lawyer.

587

00:27:30,020 --> 00:27:33,770

And that was accepted here in America

588

00:27:33,770 --> 00:27:35,870

because we were stateless.

589

00:27:35,870 --> 00:27:38,570

But when an American was in Shanghai

590

00:27:38,570 --> 00:27:44,420
and married by Chinese law, this
was not accepted in America.

591

00:27:44,420 --> 00:27:46,040
Because he was an
American citizen,

592

00:27:46,040 --> 00:27:50,870
he has to be married
by American law.

593

00:27:50,870 --> 00:27:54,170
Because I know a case which
didn't work because she thought

594

00:27:54,170 --> 00:27:56,180
it was OK, but it wasn't.

595

00:27:56,180 --> 00:27:58,460
And he did it on
purpose, by the way.

596

00:27:58,460 --> 00:28:01,830

597

00:28:01,830 --> 00:28:06,970
So were you able to get a
special dress for your wedding?

598

00:28:06,970 --> 00:28:07,703
Oh, no.

599

00:28:07,703 --> 00:28:09,120
We didn't have the
money for that.

600

00:28:09,120 --> 00:28:11,420
No, no, no.

601

00:28:11,420 --> 00:28:13,050
Just whatever we would have.

602
00:28:13,050 --> 00:28:13,550
No.

603
00:28:13,550 --> 00:28:17,260

604
00:28:17,260 --> 00:28:20,890
And I was just curious, do
you still have that bowl?

605
00:28:20,890 --> 00:28:26,110
That ball sounds-- the one bowl
that you did everything in.

606
00:28:26,110 --> 00:28:28,810
Oh, no, I left it in Shanghai.

607
00:28:28,810 --> 00:28:30,430
No, I couldn't take it with me.

608
00:28:30,430 --> 00:28:33,540
I left it in the room.

609
00:28:33,540 --> 00:28:34,510
No.

610
00:28:34,510 --> 00:28:36,950
It was a little bowl.

611
00:28:36,950 --> 00:28:45,120

612
00:28:45,120 --> 00:28:46,950
Well, I think the
only other question

613
00:28:46,950 --> 00:28:54,180
that I had, really, was when
you came to the US, did you--

614

00:28:54,180 --> 00:28:56,800

615

00:28:56,800 --> 00:28:58,420

what was your
religious life like?

616

00:28:58,420 --> 00:29:01,780

Did you find a temple?

617

00:29:01,780 --> 00:29:04,540

No, we didn't even look
for one at this time

618

00:29:04,540 --> 00:29:08,180

because we were so glad to be
here, and try to get a job,

619

00:29:08,180 --> 00:29:10,600

and try to get some
pots and a bed.

620

00:29:10,600 --> 00:29:14,590

And we were busy working
that we didn't join anything

621

00:29:14,590 --> 00:29:16,570

at the time.

622

00:29:16,570 --> 00:29:19,930

And then my daughter got married
the Sharis Israel in there

623

00:29:19,930 --> 00:29:22,180

on California.

624

00:29:22,180 --> 00:29:24,760

And my son is a member at the--

625

00:29:24,760 --> 00:29:26,035

what is the other big temple?

626

00:29:26,035 --> 00:29:27,910
I don't remember.

627
00:29:27,910 --> 00:29:30,672
On California.

628
00:29:30,672 --> 00:29:37,060
[? Emanuel. ?] Well, he is more
religious because the people he

629
00:29:37,060 --> 00:29:41,750
was with were more religious
than my daughter's.

630
00:29:41,750 --> 00:29:42,865
So it is a different.

631
00:29:42,865 --> 00:29:44,600
Oh, the people in Sweden?

632
00:29:44,600 --> 00:29:45,100
Yes.

633
00:29:45,100 --> 00:29:48,430
And people in Sweden he were
raised, he was more religious.

634
00:29:48,430 --> 00:29:51,895
And my daughter, they
didn't hold anything.

635
00:29:51,895 --> 00:29:55,010

636
00:29:55,010 --> 00:29:56,600
But they did good things.

637
00:29:56,600 --> 00:29:59,330
They kept my daughter, and
fed her, and dressed her

638
00:29:59,330 --> 00:30:00,470

for so many years.

639

00:30:00,470 --> 00:30:04,760

640

00:30:04,760 --> 00:30:07,400

So I think that's it.

641

00:30:07,400 --> 00:30:12,050

What did the Polish refugees
look like who came to Breslau?

642

00:30:12,050 --> 00:30:16,940

Oh, they were all these long
kaftans, what you call it?

643

00:30:16,940 --> 00:30:19,230

And they all had these
beards what people

644

00:30:19,230 --> 00:30:22,910

are having now, which we
never here seen, and a hat.

645

00:30:22,910 --> 00:30:25,160

They all wear hats.

646

00:30:25,160 --> 00:30:27,020

There were no other
people, Jewish people,

647

00:30:27,020 --> 00:30:28,520

like that in Breslau?

648

00:30:28,520 --> 00:30:29,430

No, not with this.

649

00:30:29,430 --> 00:30:29,930

No.

650

00:30:29,930 --> 00:30:34,940

Only people when they went

to that Orthodox school,

651
00:30:34,940 --> 00:30:37,760
they were dressed like this.

652
00:30:37,760 --> 00:30:44,030
But most people did not
go to these schools.

653
00:30:44,030 --> 00:30:47,960
And did they bring stories with
them as to what was happening?

654
00:30:47,960 --> 00:30:54,260
No, they didn't even speak
German, they only speak Polish.

655
00:30:54,260 --> 00:30:55,490
So there was no contact?

656
00:30:55,490 --> 00:30:57,560
No, no contact at all.

657
00:30:57,560 --> 00:30:59,220
Did you wonder
why they had come?

658
00:30:59,220 --> 00:30:59,720
No.

659
00:30:59,720 --> 00:31:02,010
Well, they said--
well, the other people

660
00:31:02,010 --> 00:31:04,400
said to talk to them,
it was very bad there.

661
00:31:04,400 --> 00:31:06,230
They couldn't have any jobs.

662
00:31:06,230 --> 00:31:09,620

And it was very much hate there.

663

00:31:09,620 --> 00:31:16,190

But that was before '33,
that was before Hitler came.

664

00:31:16,190 --> 00:31:21,070

They came already to Germany.

665

00:31:21,070 --> 00:31:22,160

Do you remember the year?

666

00:31:22,160 --> 00:31:24,380

Was it before your
daughter was born?

667

00:31:24,380 --> 00:31:27,320

No, it was after, after
my kids were born.

668

00:31:27,320 --> 00:31:30,360

It must have been in '34 or so.

669

00:31:30,360 --> 00:31:32,030

I think Hitler was
already in power

670

00:31:32,030 --> 00:31:35,180

because he gained power in '33.

671

00:31:35,180 --> 00:31:37,280

But they still
came because nobody

672

00:31:37,280 --> 00:31:40,170

thought it would get
that bad at that time.

673

00:31:40,170 --> 00:31:42,760

Nobody knew that.

674

00:31:42,760 --> 00:31:44,780

Did you ever hear Hitler speak?

675

00:31:44,780 --> 00:31:47,210

Oh, sure.

676

00:31:47,210 --> 00:31:50,570

Yeah, we had to listen
to it on the radio.

677

00:31:50,570 --> 00:31:52,490

Sure.

678

00:31:52,490 --> 00:32:01,130

[GERMAN] Terrible.

679

00:32:01,130 --> 00:32:03,200

When you heard the
speeches, would that

680

00:32:03,200 --> 00:32:05,210

be in the privacy of your home?

681

00:32:05,210 --> 00:32:06,350

Yeah.

682

00:32:06,350 --> 00:32:08,810

Privacy in our home, yeah.

683

00:32:08,810 --> 00:32:10,040

Why did you?

684

00:32:10,040 --> 00:32:14,330

Well, because it was always
ugly against us, and it was we

685

00:32:14,330 --> 00:32:17,240

are the reason that everything
is so bad, and we did this,

686

00:32:17,240 --> 00:32:17,930

and we did this.

687

00:32:17,930 --> 00:32:20,630
And maybe some people did it.

688

00:32:20,630 --> 00:32:22,790
But I didn't know
anybody who did something

689

00:32:22,790 --> 00:32:25,510
that bad as he said it.

690

00:32:25,510 --> 00:32:28,244
Are there any
specifics you remember?

691

00:32:28,244 --> 00:32:32,870
No, that they all are
rich, he said, always.

692

00:32:32,870 --> 00:32:35,900
These are the rich
people, the Jews.

693

00:32:35,900 --> 00:32:37,670
And I could tell them different.

694

00:32:37,670 --> 00:32:39,080
But they wouldn't listen to me.

695

00:32:39,080 --> 00:32:40,340
I was scared to say anything.

696

00:32:40,340 --> 00:32:44,920

697

00:32:44,920 --> 00:32:48,640
Can you recall what your
thoughts were as you heard him?

698

00:32:48,640 --> 00:32:52,750
Yeah, we knew that it was bad.

699

00:32:52,750 --> 00:32:55,990
Because they had so
many plans to kill him.

700
00:32:55,990 --> 00:32:58,990
And we always hoped it
will go through one day.

701
00:32:58,990 --> 00:33:00,410
And it didn't.

702
00:33:00,410 --> 00:33:04,205
Where did you learn
about these plans?

703
00:33:04,205 --> 00:33:04,705
Gossip?

704
00:33:04,705 --> 00:33:05,880
Oh, gossip.

705
00:33:05,880 --> 00:33:08,570
Gossip, yeah.

706
00:33:08,570 --> 00:33:09,200
Right.

707
00:33:09,200 --> 00:33:12,620
And who were the people who
were going to do the killing?

708
00:33:12,620 --> 00:33:14,300
Well, who were in
the same things.

709
00:33:14,300 --> 00:33:18,080
When they wanted to
be the number one.

710
00:33:18,080 --> 00:33:20,090
Yes, Goebbels wanted
to kill him once.

711
00:33:20,090 --> 00:33:24,320
And we heard this afterwards,
but it didn't work either.

712
00:33:24,320 --> 00:33:26,660
Did you ever see Hitler?

713
00:33:26,660 --> 00:33:31,910
No, not in-- we never
went whenever he spoke.

714
00:33:31,910 --> 00:33:34,590
We never went there.

715
00:33:34,590 --> 00:33:36,830
I don't even remember that
he was ever in Breslau.

716
00:33:36,830 --> 00:33:39,320
I can't recall that.

717
00:33:39,320 --> 00:33:41,240
We stayed most home
because we were

718
00:33:41,240 --> 00:33:42,440
scared to go on the street.

719
00:33:42,440 --> 00:33:44,900
Because god forbid you
said something and somebody

720
00:33:44,900 --> 00:33:47,180
heard it.

721
00:33:47,180 --> 00:33:47,900
They'd get you.

722
00:33:47,900 --> 00:33:55,080

723

00:33:55,080 --> 00:33:57,360
Do you know what
happened to your parents?

724
00:33:57,360 --> 00:34:00,220
No idea, no idea.

725
00:34:00,220 --> 00:34:03,340

726
00:34:03,340 --> 00:34:07,165
No, it was the last time when
I heard it from in Shanghai

727
00:34:07,165 --> 00:34:07,920
and that's all.

728
00:34:07,920 --> 00:34:10,780

729
00:34:10,780 --> 00:34:12,590
Have you ever been
back to Germany?

730
00:34:12,590 --> 00:34:14,199
No.

731
00:34:14,199 --> 00:34:14,840
Would you go?

732
00:34:14,840 --> 00:34:15,340
No.

733
00:34:15,340 --> 00:34:19,150

734
00:34:19,150 --> 00:34:20,500
Because?

735
00:34:20,500 --> 00:34:21,220
No.

736
00:34:21,220 --> 00:34:22,460
They threw me out.

737
00:34:22,460 --> 00:34:24,210
Why should I go when
I've been thrown out?

738
00:34:24,210 --> 00:34:29,020

739
00:34:29,020 --> 00:34:31,659
Have you ever been
back to Shanghai?

740
00:34:31,659 --> 00:34:34,350
No.

741
00:34:34,350 --> 00:34:34,850
No.

742
00:34:34,850 --> 00:34:37,590

743
00:34:37,590 --> 00:34:39,510
But your children have
been back to Sweden?

744
00:34:39,510 --> 00:34:40,620
Yes.

745
00:34:40,620 --> 00:34:42,580
And have you ever
returned to England?

746
00:34:42,580 --> 00:34:43,080
No.

747
00:34:43,080 --> 00:34:48,949

748
00:34:48,949 --> 00:34:52,400

Where did your
husband learn English?

749
00:34:52,400 --> 00:34:53,540
Which one, the first one?

750
00:34:53,540 --> 00:34:54,500
The second one.

751
00:34:54,500 --> 00:34:56,210
Second one.

752
00:34:56,210 --> 00:34:58,730
Well, in Shanghai
we spoke a lot.

753
00:34:58,730 --> 00:35:01,130
And then here in America.

754
00:35:01,130 --> 00:35:03,455
But he had English
in school, too.

755
00:35:03,455 --> 00:35:04,310
In Munich?

756
00:35:04,310 --> 00:35:07,405
In Munich, yeah.

757
00:35:07,405 --> 00:35:08,780
Did he have brothers
and sisters?

758
00:35:08,780 --> 00:35:11,615
No, he was the only one.

759
00:35:11,615 --> 00:35:13,850
And his parents
passed away in that--

760
00:35:13,850 --> 00:35:17,120
I mean, all right--

not all right,

761
00:35:17,120 --> 00:35:19,580
but they passed away without
being in a concentration camp.

762
00:35:19,580 --> 00:35:21,760
They passed before Hitler.

763
00:35:21,760 --> 00:35:22,510
Of natural causes?

764
00:35:22,510 --> 00:35:23,480
Yeah, natural, yeah.

765
00:35:23,480 --> 00:35:27,650
How did he happen
to take up tennis?

766
00:35:27,650 --> 00:35:31,610
They were quite rich people, and
they played tennis and things.

767
00:35:31,610 --> 00:35:37,100
And then during 1922, I think,
when Germany was very bad,

768
00:35:37,100 --> 00:35:40,550
his father lost everything,
and he became a tennis teacher

769
00:35:40,550 --> 00:35:44,030
in that club overnight to make
money to support his parents.

770
00:35:44,030 --> 00:35:47,930
And that's how became
an instructor then.

771
00:35:47,930 --> 00:35:50,200
And he was an instructor
always, all his life.

772
00:35:50,200 --> 00:35:53,690

773
00:35:53,690 --> 00:35:55,880
And so he was the
support of the family?

774
00:35:55,880 --> 00:35:57,290
Yeah, at that time.

775
00:35:57,290 --> 00:36:00,640
And then the parents passed
away before he left Germany.

776
00:36:00,640 --> 00:36:02,590
They where both dead.

777
00:36:02,590 --> 00:36:05,240
And he was able to give
tennis lessons in Shanghai?

778
00:36:05,240 --> 00:36:05,950
Yeah.

779
00:36:05,950 --> 00:36:09,130
To whom did he give the lessons?

780
00:36:09,130 --> 00:36:11,740
Mostly when the Americans
came, the Americans.

781
00:36:11,740 --> 00:36:16,320

782
00:36:16,320 --> 00:36:19,830
And so other Chinese took
lessons, too, before then.

783
00:36:19,830 --> 00:36:22,360

784

00:36:22,360 --> 00:36:25,660
But then the Chinese disappeared
for some reason, and only

785
00:36:25,660 --> 00:36:27,250
the Americans.

786
00:36:27,250 --> 00:36:33,880
He had only
Americans before they

787
00:36:33,880 --> 00:36:35,530
put the Americans in a camp.

788
00:36:35,530 --> 00:36:38,270
And we took a boat,
and went to the camp

789
00:36:38,270 --> 00:36:42,550
and visited them, and brought
them some food and rice.

790
00:36:42,550 --> 00:36:47,260
And they had not much
to eat, the Americans.

791
00:36:47,260 --> 00:36:50,590
We took a boat trip once.

792
00:36:50,590 --> 00:36:54,130
This I remember, too.

793
00:36:54,130 --> 00:36:56,380
A boat trip from Shanghai?

794
00:36:56,380 --> 00:36:58,710
To the American camp,
where the Americans,

795
00:36:58,710 --> 00:37:00,810
yeah, where they put them.

796

00:37:00,810 --> 00:37:04,330
Not very far, just
maybe a few minutes.

797
00:37:04,330 --> 00:37:05,890
But you couldn't get otherwise.

798
00:37:05,890 --> 00:37:07,840
You had to go by boat.

799
00:37:07,840 --> 00:37:09,040
This I remember.

800
00:37:09,040 --> 00:37:11,230
I don't know where they were.

801
00:37:11,230 --> 00:37:13,840
Do you remember what
the camp looked like?

802
00:37:13,840 --> 00:37:16,990
No, we just landed there, gave
them the food, and left again.

803
00:37:16,990 --> 00:37:18,790
We didn't even go in.

804
00:37:18,790 --> 00:37:22,298
I don't think they
let us go in, even.

805
00:37:22,298 --> 00:37:23,340
You handed them the food?

806
00:37:23,340 --> 00:37:24,962
We passing them, yeah.

807
00:37:24,962 --> 00:37:26,170
To the Americans or Japanese?

808
00:37:26,170 --> 00:37:27,795
To the Americans,

no, to the Americans.

809

00:37:27,795 --> 00:37:28,870

They let you go back.

810

00:37:28,870 --> 00:37:30,540

Yeah.

811

00:37:30,540 --> 00:37:31,840

Yeah, this I remember.

812

00:37:31,840 --> 00:37:35,110

We went there once.

813

00:37:35,110 --> 00:37:37,130

I was scared stiff
not to come back.

814

00:37:37,130 --> 00:37:41,772

I thought they might keep us
there, too, but they didn't.

815

00:37:41,772 --> 00:37:44,980

Ah, well.

816

00:37:44,980 --> 00:37:47,740

Did your husband continue
to give tennis lessons

817

00:37:47,740 --> 00:37:48,730

in this country?

818

00:37:48,730 --> 00:37:50,410

Yeah.

819

00:37:50,410 --> 00:37:52,960

Yeah, even when he worked
for standard there,

820

00:37:52,960 --> 00:37:54,970

he taught people.

821
00:37:54,970 --> 00:37:56,850
They enjoyed it.

822
00:37:56,850 --> 00:37:57,350
Yeah.

823
00:37:57,350 --> 00:38:01,510
And we went to a game once,
and this one fellow, he

824
00:38:01,510 --> 00:38:03,940
played with my husband.

825
00:38:03,940 --> 00:38:05,020
He said, hi Edie.

826
00:38:05,020 --> 00:38:07,660
And I said, oh, my gosh,
I didn't recognize you.

827
00:38:07,660 --> 00:38:09,380
I've never seen you dressed.

828
00:38:09,380 --> 00:38:10,120
Which was wrong.

829
00:38:10,120 --> 00:38:12,220
I should have said.

830
00:38:12,220 --> 00:38:17,980
So his wife looked at me, and he
explained to her what it meant.

831
00:38:17,980 --> 00:38:19,630
No, so he was dressed.

832
00:38:19,630 --> 00:38:20,950
He has nice dress.

833
00:38:20,950 --> 00:38:22,780
And otherwise, in

tennis courts, you

834

00:38:22,780 --> 00:38:26,290

go like in the
t-shirt and shorts.

835

00:38:26,290 --> 00:38:29,110

And I said, I made
errors over errors.

836

00:38:29,110 --> 00:38:31,810

Did your husband
ever make any errors?

837

00:38:31,810 --> 00:38:33,280

I don't remember.

838

00:38:33,280 --> 00:38:35,780

I was the one who made
the errors, I think.

839

00:38:35,780 --> 00:38:41,900

840

00:38:41,900 --> 00:38:45,200

Did you ever see,
in San Francisco,

841

00:38:45,200 --> 00:38:50,090

any of the people from
Shanghai or Germany

842

00:38:50,090 --> 00:38:52,890

that you've spoken about?

843

00:38:52,890 --> 00:38:53,390

No.

844

00:38:53,390 --> 00:38:56,150

From Shanghai, I
saw a few people.

845

00:38:56,150 --> 00:38:58,040
Who?

846
00:38:58,040 --> 00:39:01,070
That was Marty Cohen,
but he passed away since.

847
00:39:01,070 --> 00:39:03,260
And I know his wife remarried.

848
00:39:03,260 --> 00:39:06,290
I don't know where she
is and who she married.

849
00:39:06,290 --> 00:39:08,600
I hardly know
anybody from Shanghai

850
00:39:08,600 --> 00:39:12,350
because we were not
in a business at all.

851
00:39:12,350 --> 00:39:16,550
People, who knows,
they exchanged money

852
00:39:16,550 --> 00:39:18,470
from American dollars
to Shanghai dollars.

853
00:39:18,470 --> 00:39:22,050
But my husband was
always a tennis only.

854
00:39:22,050 --> 00:39:23,720
And so we were never
in the business.

855
00:39:23,720 --> 00:39:27,420
And we lived a little bit
outside from Shanghai,

856
00:39:27,420 --> 00:39:30,320

a few blocks away
from the main street

857
00:39:30,320 --> 00:39:31,760
where everybody else lived.

858
00:39:31,760 --> 00:39:35,088
So whenever I met
somebody, years ago, they

859
00:39:35,088 --> 00:39:36,380
said, oh, you were in Shanghai?

860
00:39:36,380 --> 00:39:37,730
How come I never saw you?

861
00:39:37,730 --> 00:39:38,630
I never met you.

862
00:39:38,630 --> 00:39:44,270
Because we were never in
that groups, in these groups.

863
00:39:44,270 --> 00:39:46,430
Were you getting
news in Shanghai

864
00:39:46,430 --> 00:39:49,650
about what was happening
with the war in Europe?

865
00:39:49,650 --> 00:39:52,730
A little bit, yeah,
through a radio.

866
00:39:52,730 --> 00:39:53,540
Through the radio.

867
00:39:53,540 --> 00:39:56,448
The Japanese allowed
you to listen to radio?

868

00:39:56,448 --> 00:39:58,490
Well, we didn't have one,
but my friends had one,

869
00:39:58,490 --> 00:39:59,840
and they listened.

870
00:39:59,840 --> 00:40:01,130
So I guess they allowed it.

871
00:40:01,130 --> 00:40:03,495
I don't remember that
they didn't allow it.

872
00:40:03,495 --> 00:40:05,030
You got the news
from your friend?

873
00:40:05,030 --> 00:40:06,290
Yeah.

874
00:40:06,290 --> 00:40:09,530
Did you know anything
about the death camps

875
00:40:09,530 --> 00:40:10,770
while you were in Shanghai?

876
00:40:10,770 --> 00:40:11,550
Oh, yeah we heard.

877
00:40:11,550 --> 00:40:12,050
Yeah.

878
00:40:12,050 --> 00:40:15,460
We heard about that, too.

879
00:40:15,460 --> 00:40:16,220
Yeah, sure.

880
00:40:16,220 --> 00:40:18,890
We were upset and upset.

881
00:40:18,890 --> 00:40:20,430
But then we were
so worried about

882
00:40:20,430 --> 00:40:23,810
that the war ended and
everything is over,

883
00:40:23,810 --> 00:40:26,090
that we could do
something about it,

884
00:40:26,090 --> 00:40:33,482
but you can't do anything
unless that war was over.

885
00:40:33,482 --> 00:40:36,560
In Shanghai, you couldn't
do anything about anything.

886
00:40:36,560 --> 00:40:39,360
We were just lost there.

887
00:40:39,360 --> 00:40:41,270
But we were thankful
that they took us in

888
00:40:41,270 --> 00:40:42,820
and there, we saved our lives.

889
00:40:42,820 --> 00:40:45,920

890
00:40:45,920 --> 00:40:50,480
You will always feel that there
is this huge hole in your life

891
00:40:50,480 --> 00:40:52,280
when your children were?

892
00:40:52,280 --> 00:40:53,450

Oh, definitely.

893
00:40:53,450 --> 00:40:55,640
Definitely, yes, yes.

894
00:40:55,640 --> 00:40:59,210

895
00:40:59,210 --> 00:41:00,400
This I will never forget.

896
00:41:00,400 --> 00:41:04,910

897
00:41:04,910 --> 00:41:08,180
But as I said before,
you cannot make up time.

898
00:41:08,180 --> 00:41:12,230
Can make money, but not time.

899
00:41:12,230 --> 00:41:13,830
Do you know whether
your children

900
00:41:13,830 --> 00:41:16,440
have this same feeling?

901
00:41:16,440 --> 00:41:19,140
I think my daughter
has more than my son

902
00:41:19,140 --> 00:41:22,960
because she was looking
after him all the time.

903
00:41:22,960 --> 00:41:25,230
So he was not that alone
as my daughter was.

904
00:41:25,230 --> 00:41:29,390

905

00:41:29,390 --> 00:41:33,550

Do you think this is some of the reason that both children had--

906

00:41:33,550 --> 00:41:35,820

because you have six grandchildren and seven

907

00:41:35,820 --> 00:41:38,530

great grandchildren and big family here.

908

00:41:38,530 --> 00:41:42,760

Yeah, and my daughter enjoys the grandchildren, of course,

909

00:41:42,760 --> 00:41:49,080

very, very much because she missed so much.

910

00:41:49,080 --> 00:41:52,330

When she was not with me.

911

00:41:52,330 --> 00:41:55,170

So it's hard to understand, really.

912

00:41:55,170 --> 00:41:57,810

913

00:41:57,810 --> 00:41:58,920

I will never forget it.

914

00:41:58,920 --> 00:42:02,440

915

00:42:02,440 --> 00:42:07,570

All these years from, let's say, 1930

916

00:42:07,570 --> 00:42:11,100

to the present, what's
like the most vivid memory

917
00:42:11,100 --> 00:42:12,450
that you have?

918
00:42:12,450 --> 00:42:16,140
That I had to take my children,
I had to give up my children.

919
00:42:16,140 --> 00:42:18,390
That is my vivid memory.

920
00:42:18,390 --> 00:42:20,790
When they came back, it
was the most wonderful day.

921
00:42:20,790 --> 00:42:25,090

922
00:42:25,090 --> 00:42:26,810
Thank you very, very much.

923
00:42:26,810 --> 00:42:27,310
Yes.

924
00:42:27,310 --> 00:42:30,430

925
00:42:30,430 --> 00:42:30,930
Go ahead.

926
00:42:30,930 --> 00:42:33,120
What about the tennis
lesson that your husband

927
00:42:33,120 --> 00:42:35,550
gave the Sweden consul?

928
00:42:35,550 --> 00:42:39,210
Yeah, he gave a lesson
to the Swedish consul.

929

00:42:39,210 --> 00:42:41,280

And the Americans were
sitting on his side

930

00:42:41,280 --> 00:42:44,290

waiting to be taught.

931

00:42:44,290 --> 00:42:49,830

And so in English,
when you teach tennis,

932

00:42:49,830 --> 00:42:51,640

you have to show
them how to do it.

933

00:42:51,640 --> 00:42:53,940

And it's a swing back.

934

00:42:53,940 --> 00:42:56,490

And the Swedish
counsel said, please,

935

00:42:56,490 --> 00:43:00,780

teach me in German because
I like to know German more.

936

00:43:00,780 --> 00:43:03,780

So than there the
word is [GERMAN]..

937

00:43:03,780 --> 00:43:07,860

So any time he swang back,
my husband said [GERMAN]..

938

00:43:07,860 --> 00:43:11,730

When the lesson was over,
the Americans said, Fred,

939

00:43:11,730 --> 00:43:13,590

why did you call him an asshole?

940

00:43:13,590 --> 00:43:14,900
He's such a nice guy.

941
00:43:14,900 --> 00:43:18,940

942
00:43:18,940 --> 00:43:22,400
I'm glad we got that.

943
00:43:22,400 --> 00:43:25,048
Five seconds or eight seconds.

944
00:43:25,048 --> 00:43:28,270

945
00:43:28,270 --> 00:43:30,800
OK, tell us about
this picture, please.

946
00:43:30,800 --> 00:43:33,700
I don't remember
when it was taken.

947
00:43:33,700 --> 00:43:38,110
Maybe in 1935, '36.

948
00:43:38,110 --> 00:43:41,230
And we had to have the picture
taken with the left ear

949
00:43:41,230 --> 00:43:43,570
showing.

950
00:43:43,570 --> 00:43:45,910
Who is this a picture of?

951
00:43:45,910 --> 00:43:46,990
Me.

952
00:43:46,990 --> 00:43:48,045
Oh, that's my picture.

953
00:43:48,045 --> 00:43:48,545
OK.

954
00:43:48,545 --> 00:43:53,780

955
00:43:53,780 --> 00:43:55,820
And tell us about
this photo, please.

956
00:43:55,820 --> 00:43:57,950
These are my parents,
the last picture

957
00:43:57,950 --> 00:44:02,750
I got, and took it with
me wherever I went.

958
00:44:02,750 --> 00:44:05,660
They were in their
50s at the time.

959
00:44:05,660 --> 00:44:06,830
Where was the picture taken?

960
00:44:06,830 --> 00:44:09,620
In Breslau.

961
00:44:09,620 --> 00:44:13,730
And what year you think
it was taken roughly?

962
00:44:13,730 --> 00:44:26,140
I think 1935, '36.

963
00:44:26,140 --> 00:44:28,570
Tell us what you know
about this photo, please.

964
00:44:28,570 --> 00:44:33,190
That's my father-in-law, who
was a soldier at the time.

965
00:44:33,190 --> 00:44:38,010
I think it was World War
I. That's all what I know.

966
00:44:38,010 --> 00:44:38,510
Yeah.

967
00:44:38,510 --> 00:44:39,635
And what's his name, again?

968
00:44:39,635 --> 00:44:43,060

969
00:44:43,060 --> 00:44:44,380
Levy.

970
00:44:44,380 --> 00:44:47,050
I don't know his first name.

971
00:44:47,050 --> 00:44:48,130
I forgot his first name.

972
00:44:48,130 --> 00:44:50,760

973
00:44:50,760 --> 00:44:52,450
Levy is his last name.

974
00:44:52,450 --> 00:44:54,410
Do you know what
uniform he's wearing?

975
00:44:54,410 --> 00:44:57,490
No, no idea.

976
00:44:57,490 --> 00:44:59,530
No idea.

977
00:44:59,530 --> 00:45:01,180
Tell us about this

photo, please.

978
00:45:01,180 --> 00:45:01,680
OK.

979
00:45:01,680 --> 00:45:04,840
That's me when I
worked in a hat shop.

980
00:45:04,840 --> 00:45:08,650
And it shows that they
would give a photo like this

981
00:45:08,650 --> 00:45:10,570
to people who buy two hats.

982
00:45:10,570 --> 00:45:13,120
It was just an advertisement.

983
00:45:13,120 --> 00:45:14,400
And it was in the window.

984
00:45:14,400 --> 00:45:17,420

985
00:45:17,420 --> 00:45:18,900
Do you know what
year it was taken?

986
00:45:18,900 --> 00:45:24,060

987
00:45:24,060 --> 00:45:26,760
Probably 1928.

988
00:45:26,760 --> 00:45:28,960
When I was-- what was I?

989
00:45:28,960 --> 00:45:29,700
16 then.

990

00:45:29,700 --> 00:45:35,950
Yeah, 1928, '29.

991
00:45:35,950 --> 00:45:37,720
Tell us about this
photo, please.

992
00:45:37,720 --> 00:45:40,270
That was taken when
I was 16 years old.

993
00:45:40,270 --> 00:45:43,930
And I got this honesty
ring from my husband.

994
00:45:43,930 --> 00:45:47,395
And then I had to
give it up to Hitler.

995
00:45:47,395 --> 00:45:50,290

996
00:45:50,290 --> 00:45:51,400
And he worked.

997
00:45:51,400 --> 00:45:54,410
I think he paid two
years on that ring.

998
00:45:54,410 --> 00:45:56,665
For my 16th birthday.

999
00:45:56,665 --> 00:45:59,110
And I got my first
lipstick from him, too.

1000
00:45:59,110 --> 00:46:04,230

1001
00:46:04,230 --> 00:46:04,950
When was it?

1002

00:46:04,950 --> 00:46:06,570
1912?

1003
00:46:06,570 --> 00:46:11,920
1928.

1004
00:46:11,920 --> 00:46:13,180
Go ahead, Sylvia.

1005
00:46:13,180 --> 00:46:17,920
Did you take this photo
when you left Germany?

1006
00:46:17,920 --> 00:46:18,540
This?

1007
00:46:18,540 --> 00:46:20,530
Yeah, I took this photo with me.

1008
00:46:20,530 --> 00:46:22,240
And my parents' photo.

1009
00:46:22,240 --> 00:46:23,260
I had it in my purse.

1010
00:46:23,260 --> 00:46:26,055

1011
00:46:26,055 --> 00:46:27,430
Tell us about this
photo, please.

1012
00:46:27,430 --> 00:46:30,745
That's a passport
picture was taken.

1013
00:46:30,745 --> 00:46:33,550

1014
00:46:33,550 --> 00:46:35,800
No, I don't-- I think
that-- no, pardon me,

1015
00:46:35,800 --> 00:46:39,340
that was when I was
still in the hat shop.

1016
00:46:39,340 --> 00:46:42,220
And they had a few pictures
from me in the window

1017
00:46:42,220 --> 00:46:46,120
to show, to advertise
what the photographer can

1018
00:46:46,120 --> 00:46:48,550
do when they buy two hats.

1019
00:46:48,550 --> 00:46:52,210

1020
00:46:52,210 --> 00:46:53,715
That's all the same time.

1021
00:46:53,715 --> 00:46:55,440
Tell us about this
picture, please.

1022
00:46:55,440 --> 00:46:59,830
That was my first husband when
he was about 19 years old,

1023
00:46:59,830 --> 00:47:02,146
when I met him.

1024
00:47:02,146 --> 00:47:07,140
And then we got married
two years later.

1025
00:47:07,140 --> 00:47:11,970

1026
00:47:11,970 --> 00:47:12,950
Yeah, that's all.

1027
00:47:12,950 --> 00:47:20,622

1028
00:47:20,622 --> 00:47:22,080
Tell us about this
picture, please.

1029
00:47:22,080 --> 00:47:23,710
That's my mother-in-law.

1030
00:47:23,710 --> 00:47:26,350

1031
00:47:26,350 --> 00:47:28,260
She was a diabetic case.

1032
00:47:28,260 --> 00:47:30,040
And I don't know.

1033
00:47:30,040 --> 00:47:33,240
I heard that they didn't give
them any insulin anymore.

1034
00:47:33,240 --> 00:47:35,880
So she would have passed away
in about three or four days

1035
00:47:35,880 --> 00:47:37,731
anyway.

1036
00:47:37,731 --> 00:47:39,750
Do you know where
this was taken?

1037
00:47:39,750 --> 00:47:40,470
No.

1038
00:47:40,470 --> 00:47:44,640
It was taken in Breslau but I
have no idea where and when.

1039

00:47:44,640 --> 00:47:48,270

I had these pictures
in my purse.

1040

00:47:48,270 --> 00:47:54,540

Some of them, my son
took it from his father.

1041

00:47:54,540 --> 00:47:56,040

Please tell us about this photo.

1042

00:47:56,040 --> 00:47:59,610

All right, that's my husband and
me when we were both about 17

1043

00:47:59,610 --> 00:48:01,470

and he was 21.

1044

00:48:01,470 --> 00:48:04,680

And I had to smoke, so
I practiced every day

1045

00:48:04,680 --> 00:48:08,010

when he came up in the evening
to visit me so I could smoke.

1046

00:48:08,010 --> 00:48:10,440

And I was sick as a
dog, but I still smoked.

1047

00:48:10,440 --> 00:48:11,670

I want to be a big shot.

1048

00:48:11,670 --> 00:48:14,490

1049

00:48:14,490 --> 00:48:16,330

Where was it taken?

1050

00:48:16,330 --> 00:48:19,500

This was taken, probably,
yeah, I don't even

1051
00:48:19,500 --> 00:48:21,060
remember where it was taken.

1052
00:48:21,060 --> 00:48:27,120
Maybe on the ocean where you
can lay down on the sand or so.

1053
00:48:27,120 --> 00:48:29,490
That's where it was taken.

1054
00:48:29,490 --> 00:48:33,780
There was a swimming
pool in the middle.

1055
00:48:33,780 --> 00:48:35,400
Yeah, that's where it was.

1056
00:48:35,400 --> 00:48:36,720
On a day outing?

1057
00:48:36,720 --> 00:48:38,288
Yeah, on a day outing.

1058
00:48:38,288 --> 00:48:40,080
And I think that's
center is where this is.

1059
00:48:40,080 --> 00:48:42,750

1060
00:48:42,750 --> 00:48:45,740
Only a different--
only different things.

1061
00:48:45,740 --> 00:48:47,070
Same day, different photo.

1062
00:48:47,070 --> 00:48:49,440
Yeah, I just want to
have my hair straight

1063
00:48:49,440 --> 00:48:51,230
and I lost it up, as usual.

1064
00:48:51,230 --> 00:48:58,902

1065
00:48:58,902 --> 00:49:00,360
Tell us about this
picture, please.

1066
00:49:00,360 --> 00:49:01,890
Yeah, we went on an outing.

1067
00:49:01,890 --> 00:49:08,250
And so we took the picture with
the kids, Steffi and Peter.

1068
00:49:08,250 --> 00:49:12,390
And what year would
you guess this was?

1069
00:49:12,390 --> 00:49:17,890
I would think about 1934, '35.

1070
00:49:17,890 --> 00:49:21,310
Well, Steffi was about
five, so it's in '36, maybe.

1071
00:49:21,310 --> 00:49:22,740
That's what she looks like.

1072
00:49:22,740 --> 00:49:25,740
Do you remember
where it was taken?

1073
00:49:25,740 --> 00:49:27,240
On a beach someplace.

1074
00:49:27,240 --> 00:49:33,908

1075

00:49:33,908 --> 00:49:35,200
Tell us about this one, please.

1076
00:49:35,200 --> 00:49:37,150
That's the first
picture after Peter

1077
00:49:37,150 --> 00:49:43,730
arrived in Sweden in 1939.

1078
00:49:43,730 --> 00:49:45,920
He was five years old then.

1079
00:49:45,920 --> 00:49:47,330
So this was taken in Sweden?

1080
00:49:47,330 --> 00:49:48,650
Yes.

1081
00:49:48,650 --> 00:49:51,630
Was sent to you where?

1082
00:49:51,630 --> 00:49:53,930
To Breslau, to my hometown?

1083
00:49:53,930 --> 00:50:02,710
That was 1939,
maybe in May, June.

1084
00:50:02,710 --> 00:50:05,002
They sent me the
picture right away.

1085
00:50:05,002 --> 00:50:06,460
OK, tell us about
this one, please.

1086
00:50:06,460 --> 00:50:20,030
This is my daughter's first
picture in Sweden in 1939.

1087
00:50:20,030 --> 00:50:22,740

What thoughts did you have
when you received this?

1088
00:50:22,740 --> 00:50:24,660
Cried.

1089
00:50:24,660 --> 00:50:27,100
Cried a lot.

1090
00:50:27,100 --> 00:50:29,820
Oh, yeah, let's go.

1091
00:50:29,820 --> 00:50:31,480
Tell us about this, please.

1092
00:50:31,480 --> 00:50:32,070
OK.

1093
00:50:32,070 --> 00:50:34,560
We could not go in a park
anymore because there

1094
00:50:34,560 --> 00:50:36,280
were on the benches, "No Jews."

1095
00:50:36,280 --> 00:50:41,760
So I took them to the cemetery
to get some fresh air, my son,

1096
00:50:41,760 --> 00:50:44,385
my daughter, and myself.

1097
00:50:44,385 --> 00:50:47,430
Do you know what year?

1098
00:50:47,430 --> 00:50:53,400
It must have been 1936 about.

1099
00:50:53,400 --> 00:50:56,220
Steffi was probably
five years old then.

1100
00:50:56,220 --> 00:50:58,920

1101
00:50:58,920 --> 00:51:00,750
OK, tell us about this, please.

1102
00:51:00,750 --> 00:51:03,360
That is Shanghai.

1103
00:51:03,360 --> 00:51:07,590
And they called me Marlene.

1104
00:51:07,590 --> 00:51:10,620
They thought I looked like
her, so they took the picture.

1105
00:51:10,620 --> 00:51:15,220

1106
00:51:15,220 --> 00:51:16,030
I don't know why.

1107
00:51:16,030 --> 00:51:21,720

1108
00:51:21,720 --> 00:51:23,550
That's what I told you.

1109
00:51:23,550 --> 00:51:25,962
Oh.

1110
00:51:25,962 --> 00:51:26,670
Do you like that?

1111
00:51:26,670 --> 00:51:28,087
You want to take
the picture, too?

1112
00:51:28,087 --> 00:51:30,030
Well, I'm taking two
different views of it

1113
00:51:30,030 --> 00:51:31,880
so I have to hold
each one for a--

1114
00:51:31,880 --> 00:51:33,550
Oh, interesting.

1115
00:51:33,550 --> 00:51:36,570
I had no idea what he's doing.

1116
00:51:36,570 --> 00:51:38,100
Tell us about this, please.

1117
00:51:38,100 --> 00:51:41,280
That's my daughter's
first day in school.

1118
00:51:41,280 --> 00:51:43,530
And we always gave these--

1119
00:51:43,530 --> 00:51:45,780
I don't know what you call it--

1120
00:51:45,780 --> 00:51:49,170
as presents on the first day.

1121
00:51:49,170 --> 00:51:52,740
These things what she is
holding with the candies in it.

1122
00:51:52,740 --> 00:51:56,840
That was-- that's what you did.

1123
00:51:56,840 --> 00:51:59,060
What year was this taken?

1124
00:51:59,060 --> 00:52:01,070
Oh, she must have been--

1125
00:52:01,070 --> 00:52:03,830

'31 and six.

1126
00:52:03,830 --> 00:52:05,930
'37.

1127
00:52:05,930 --> 00:52:09,920
She was probably six years old.

1128
00:52:09,920 --> 00:52:11,960
And 6 and 1/2 or so.

1129
00:52:11,960 --> 00:52:14,774
No, six when she
to go to school.

1130
00:52:14,774 --> 00:52:16,280
'37.

1131
00:52:16,280 --> 00:52:19,858
Maybe 1936 somehow or then.

1132
00:52:19,858 --> 00:52:21,150
Tell us about this one, please.

1133
00:52:21,150 --> 00:52:25,700
OK, that was in Breslau
when we were just planning

1134
00:52:25,700 --> 00:52:42,870
to get married, in 1929, 1930.

1135
00:52:42,870 --> 00:52:45,630
This is near where
your parents lived?

1136
00:52:45,630 --> 00:52:46,620
No.

1137
00:52:46,620 --> 00:52:49,980
No, that's far,
far, further away.

1138
00:52:49,980 --> 00:52:51,960
Particular section of
the city you remember?

1139
00:52:51,960 --> 00:52:53,070
No, I don't remember.

1140
00:52:53,070 --> 00:52:54,530
It looks like the funeral--

1141
00:52:54,530 --> 00:52:57,480
like a cemetery on the side.

1142
00:52:57,480 --> 00:53:00,780
I don't remember where it was.

1143
00:53:00,780 --> 00:53:02,190
Tell us about this one, please.

1144
00:53:02,190 --> 00:53:04,350
That was my son when
he was in the Navy.

1145
00:53:04,350 --> 00:53:13,663

1146
00:53:13,663 --> 00:53:14,830
What year was this, roughly?

1147
00:53:14,830 --> 00:53:18,810

1148
00:53:18,810 --> 00:53:23,007
Oh, it must have
been '53, '54, 1955.

1149
00:53:23,007 --> 00:53:23,840
Something like that.

1150
00:53:23,840 --> 00:53:26,390

1151
00:53:26,390 --> 00:53:27,685
He was through with college.

1152
00:53:27,685 --> 00:53:29,951
And how old are you
through with college, 22?

1153
00:53:29,951 --> 00:53:33,180

1154
00:53:33,180 --> 00:53:34,400
That's my second-- oh.

1155
00:53:34,400 --> 00:53:34,910
OK.

1156
00:53:34,910 --> 00:53:39,500
That's my second husband,
the tennis instructor.

1157
00:53:39,500 --> 00:53:40,770
That was taken--

1158
00:53:40,770 --> 00:53:42,650
I don't know.

1159
00:53:42,650 --> 00:53:45,680
Maybe in 1947, '48,
when we came here.

1160
00:53:45,680 --> 00:53:51,950

1161
00:53:51,950 --> 00:53:53,480
And how long were you married?

1162
00:53:53,480 --> 00:53:54,140
30 years.

1163
00:53:54,140 --> 00:53:57,130

1164
00:53:57,130 --> 00:53:58,045
Passed away in '72.

1165
00:53:58,045 --> 00:54:00,920

1166
00:54:00,920 --> 00:54:02,570
This would have been your 50th?

1167
00:54:02,570 --> 00:54:05,135
Yes.

1168
00:54:05,135 --> 00:54:07,190
Tell us about this, please.

1169
00:54:07,190 --> 00:54:10,580
That's my husband was one
of my granddaughters, who

1170
00:54:10,580 --> 00:54:13,860
was two years old at the time.

1171
00:54:13,860 --> 00:54:17,300
Now, I don't know.

1172
00:54:17,300 --> 00:54:20,910
I don't know when it was taken.

1173
00:54:20,910 --> 00:54:23,730
Must have been in the '50s--

1174
00:54:23,730 --> 00:54:24,680
'60s.

1175
00:54:24,680 --> 00:54:26,210
Granddaughter's name?

1176
00:54:26,210 --> 00:54:30,440
Sharon It's Sharon.

1177

00:54:30,440 --> 00:55:33,334