

Oliver L. Warner Interview

Battery A, 313th Field Artillery Battalion

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00:00:00 Speaker 1

Do it with the worst mistake.

00:00:02 Speaker 1

Your mailing address.

00:00:05 Speaker 1

And then I'll mail.

00:00:05 Speaker 1

To you. Is that all right?

00:00:09 Speaker 2

Yeah, that's fine.

00:00:10 Speaker 1

OK.

00:00:15 Speaker 3

It doesn't matter.

00:00:16 Speaker 2

Up.

00:00:19 Speaker 1

I'm going to say.

00:00:27 Speaker 4

One intense you want color.

00:00:31 Speaker 5

Verbal essences color has that exhilarating herbal fragrance with pure color extract for color, more intense, more vibrant than it's ever been.

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Yeah.

00:00:40 Speaker 6

Wow.

00:00:40 Speaker 7

Great color.

00:00:41 Speaker 8

He did all this for me.

00:00:42 Speaker 9

Yeah.

00:00:42 Speaker 10

Oh, I did it for me.

00:00:44 Speaker 10

And maybe a little for him.

00:00:48 Speaker 5

Herbal essence is a totally organic experience in color.

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I.

00:00:58 Speaker 11

One of the biggest openings this fall.

00:01:02 Speaker 11

Won't be in theaters.

00:01:08 Speaker 11

The first SUV with a power sliding rear roof.

00:01:11 Speaker 11

The new GMC Envoy, XUV professional grade engineering.

00:01:17 Speaker 11

It's not more than you need, just more than you're used to.

00:01:17 Speaker 3

I.

00:01:23 Speaker 12

Survivor Pearl Islands, sponsored by GMC.

00:01:28 Speaker 11

Introducing the GMC Envoy XUV, the first SUV with a power midgate for a chance to win one go to cbs.com/survivor.

00:01:38 Speaker 6

Tonight gave them the audience.

00:01:40 Speaker 13

We stuck the band.

00:01:42 Speaker 6

Something off it.

00:01:43 Speaker 14

I'm sure you're a good looking guy in high school.

00:01:46 Speaker 6

And a top 10 from Baghdad. All new tonight.

00:01:48 Speaker 15

It's a choice no soldier should face.

00:01:53 Speaker 16

Believe you should be court martialed for sparing the life of that boy.

00:01:53 Speaker 8

Do.

00:01:56 Speaker 17

All.

00:01:57 Speaker 15

CBS Friday a father murdered 13 years ago.

00:02:01 Speaker 3

Down by a ***** was a theory.

00:02:02 Speaker 15

These is church going family in disgrace.

00:02:04 Speaker 15

Nice.

00:02:05 Speaker 18

Families don't talk about these things.

00:02:07 Speaker 15

But a new investigation will reveal a secret that walls stay buried.

00:02:11 Speaker 19

We want you to drop my dad's case.

00:02:13 Speaker 20

And I'm so close to the truth, not a.

00:02:17 Speaker 15

Oh, CBS Sunday after 60 minutes.

00:02:19 Speaker 7

Next time on survivor, the Morgan tribe has an unexpected visitor.

00:02:25 Speaker 21

I don't like.

00:02:26 Speaker 21

I've been bit by a couple animals.

00:02:29 Speaker 22

And a Drake tempers fly.

00:02:32 Speaker 6

No, what ridiculous is not doing anything.

00:02:34 Speaker 15

Start working on. Just shut up, all right.

00:02:37 Speaker 23

Maybe Sean should get a clue.

00:02:38 Speaker 16

Or he's going home.

00:02:40 Speaker 10

I cover the clues on an all new CSI CBS.

00:02:43 Speaker 24

Next, I'm really upset that I came all this way, but it didn't happen.

00:02:49 Speaker 24

I think I have learned stuff about myself when things suck and you're in a crappy situations and being able to carry through it. And I learned how much I can deal with.

00:02:57 Speaker 24

But regardless of all the politics, I.

00:02:58 Speaker 24

I could have been.

00:03:00 Speaker 24

Longer just had more time to kick some **** and really get into the game.

00:03:04 Speaker 23

A tip received by I Team 8 leads police to dig for a missing woman's body.

00:03:08 Speaker 23

Have an update.

00:03:09 Speaker 2

With Oliver Warner.

00:03:12 Speaker 2

Oliver Warner and he was in World War 2.

00:03:16 Speaker 2

So now we're going to ask.

00:03:18 Speaker 2

And the questions were you drafted or did you enlist in the war?

00:03:25 Speaker 1

I was.

00:03:27 Speaker 1

Enlisted.

00:03:28 Speaker 1

1942.

00:03:31 Speaker 1

I.

00:03:31 Speaker 1

Excuse me, I did enlist.

00:03:34 Speaker 1

I was.

00:03:35 Speaker 1

I was inducted in 1942 when I was at a sophomore Purdue University.

00:03:43 Speaker 2

OK. Were you living?

00:03:46 Speaker 2

Where were you living at the time?

00:03:47 Speaker 2

You in West Lafayette then or?

00:03:50 Speaker 1

I was living in a homemade trailer.

00:03:54 Speaker 2

In West Lafayette.

00:03:58 Speaker 1

It wasn't in West Lafayette. They wouldn't permit my homemade trailer in.

00:04:02 Speaker 1

City limits. So I lived outside the city limits.

00:04:08 Speaker 2

Why did you pick the service branch like what's?

00:04:11 Speaker 2

First, why did you join?

00:04:15 Speaker 1

I the reason why I was inducted?

00:04:19 Speaker 1

My intar ROTC class was inducted at the same time down to Fort Harrison, and I was a member of that ROTC class, so we were all.

00:04:29 Speaker 3

Thank you.

00:04:35 Speaker 1

Inducted at the same time.

00:04:37 Speaker 2

What print?

00:04:38 Speaker 2

What branches, services you?

00:04:40 Speaker 1

Field artillery.

00:04:42 Speaker 2

And so that's on the front line, right or?

00:04:45 Speaker 2

That.

00:04:47 Speaker 1

Yes, field artillery.

00:04:50 Speaker 1

Was very much in World War 2.

00:04:52 Speaker 1

Yeah.

00:04:54 Speaker 1

I I can get to it later.

00:04:57 Speaker 2

OK.

00:04:57 Speaker 1

I adjusted artillery fire. I really worked with the infantry.

00:05:01 Speaker 1

I was a forward observer.

00:05:05 Speaker 1

I was in with the infantry all the time.

00:05:08 Speaker 2

Do you recall your first days in the service?

00:05:11 Speaker 2

Do you recall like first getting there and?

00:05:13 Speaker 1

Oh, I sure do.

00:05:15 Speaker 1

I remember being inducted down at Fort.

00:05:21 Speaker 1

And being issued by clothes and getting in line for the army doctors to examine me physically.

00:05:33 Speaker 1

And showing me some films on proper behavior and what to look out for in the services.

00:05:42 Speaker 1

Yeah, I remember.

00:05:45 Speaker 1

Very distinctly is my first train ride. We all went down in the train.

00:05:49 Speaker 2

Was that exciting?

00:05:51 Speaker 1

What was to me, 'cause I'd never been on a train. I'm a farm boy.

00:05:55

Yeah.

00:05:56 Speaker 2

Was it nervous?

00:05:57 Speaker 2

Like, how did you feel?

00:05:58 Speaker 2

Like when you were going through that.

00:06:00 Speaker 1

Oh, I I really kind of enjoyed.

00:06:04 Speaker 1

It's a new adventure, you know, and I just was new to me and I was wide eyed and bushy tailed and enjoyed what was going on.

00:06:16 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:06:19 Speaker 2

Tell me about your boot camp. Like training experience. Like, what was that like?

00:06:24 Speaker 2

How difficult was that?

00:06:26 Speaker 1

OK, my basic training was in Fort Bragg.

00:06:32 Speaker 1

North Carolina.

00:06:34 Speaker 1

And this I took my training on a 155 hausers field artillery fees.

00:06:43 Speaker 2

OK.

00:06:46 Speaker 1

And was there for 17 weeks during the summer.

00:06:52 Speaker 1

And it was hot.

00:06:54 Speaker 1

A lot of sand.

00:07:00 Speaker 1

All new, of course.

00:07:03 Speaker 1

Because suddenly we had Reveley and we had to get up and go to mess hall and eat as a group and and you there wasn't any menu selection.

00:07:15 Speaker 1

Just whatever was there you would eat.

00:07:19 Speaker 1

And we would go out on field exercises.

00:07:24

Uh.

00:07:25 Speaker 1

On 155 housers and of course we every day we had to take the obstacle course.

00:07:35 Speaker 1

I have a description of an obstacle course. We want to see what it is.

00:07:43 Speaker 1

All we all pulled KP duty.

00:07:48 Speaker 1

You know, I had to get on her hands and.

00:07:50 Speaker 1

With brushes and brushes and soap and scrub the.

00:07:56 Speaker 1

The mess hall.

00:07:58 Speaker 1

We live together in a barracks of 16.

00:08:04 Speaker 1

Men.

00:08:05 Speaker 1

There was two-story 30 men in the first story and 30 in the second.

00:08:11 Speaker 2

Can't imagine that.

00:08:12 Speaker 1

We all share one common.

00:08:16 Speaker 1

We call them meeting called bad.

00:08:18 Speaker 1

Call them latrines.

00:08:20 Speaker 1

We all share the same latrine.

00:08:23 Speaker 1

There was absolutely no privacy.

00:08:27 Speaker 1

And we didn't even think anything about it, that the fact there wasn't any privacy.

00:08:32 Speaker 2

Oh my goodness, Oh my good.

00:08:36 Speaker 2

We back up for a second, and before the before all this even happened. What were you doing in your life?

00:08:42 Speaker 2

You said that you were at.

00:08:44 Speaker 2

Like what other things were going on with you were you have a girlfriend or were you?

00:08:52 Speaker 2

What were you working on at Purdue?

00:08:55 Speaker 1

Well, actually.

00:08:59 Speaker 1

I was.

00:09:02 Speaker 1

In agriculture education school.

00:09:06 Speaker 1

And what that meant was you came out as a vocational agriculture teacher and also science teacher, which I did Zionsville at 1st and when.

00:09:20 Speaker 1

You know, the war started in December of.

00:09:23 Speaker 1

1941.

00:09:27 Speaker 1

So the war had been going on for a year before I was ever inducted, so I was a student at Purdue in in the Ag school taking AG education.

00:09:44 Speaker 1

And science courses.

00:09:47 Speaker 1

And and I didn't have. I had a girlfriend.

00:09:50 Speaker 1

She's back there in the bedroom.

00:09:55 Speaker 1

We were high school classmates, not.

00:09:57 Speaker 2

OK.

00:09:59 Speaker 1

We were in high school together, I should say.

00:10:02 Speaker 2

And you? So you didn't even think about the war, did that?

00:10:05 Speaker 1

Not a whole lot, no.

00:10:07 Speaker 1

Knew that war was going on. Right and.

00:10:13 Speaker 1

But I was busy.

00:10:16 Speaker 1

With going to Purdue as a student and I really didn't react.

00:10:18 Speaker 2

Yeah. So just doing, so doing your own thing.

00:10:24 Speaker 1

Really, to the war.

00:10:27

Right.

00:10:28 Speaker 1

I suspect I will just a lot like young people are today.

00:10:34 Speaker 2

Yeah. OK. So back, all right.

00:10:37 Speaker 1

All right.

00:10:40 Speaker 2

You served in World War 2, right?

00:10:41 Speaker 2

Correct. And where exactly did you go?

00:10:42 Speaker 1

Yes.

00:10:45 Speaker 2

Area like overseas.

00:10:47 Speaker 2

Where what area was that?

00:10:48 Speaker 1

OK, I went to Germany.

00:10:53 Speaker 1

And I went overseas.

00:10:58 Speaker 1

I went over as a replacement. I had taken my basic training at Fort Bragg and then I went to officers training school at Fort Sill, Oklahoma became a second Lieutenant.

00:11:13 Speaker 1

And then I served in a division or two and then was shipped overseas in December of 1944 as a replacement.

00:11:25 Speaker 2

OK.

00:11:26 Speaker 1

And I can tell you about replacements.

00:11:29 Speaker 1

But that's what I went over as a replacement.

00:11:35 Speaker 1

And when I got there.

00:11:38 Speaker 1

I joined the 80th Infantry Division.

00:11:42 Speaker 1

And that was in the 3rd Army General George S Patton was my army commander.

00:11:49 Speaker 1

Maybe you've heard of old blood and guts.

00:11:50 Speaker 23

Yeah.

00:11:55 Speaker 1

General Patton and I went to the 80th Infantry Division.

00:12:02 Speaker 1

Were in combat.

00:12:05 Speaker 1

In Germany.

00:12:08 Speaker 1

And.

00:12:11 Speaker 1

I went over.

00:12:14 Speaker 25

As.

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A.

00:12:17 Speaker 1

Communications officer. I had gotten spatial training at Fort Sill and Communications.

00:12:25 Speaker 1

And when I went up to the battalion at night in the dark.

00:12:32 Speaker 1

First thing I saw in out in front of the battalion headquarters were three dead Germans in the middle of the street, practically stacked up on each other.

00:12:43 Speaker 1

And it was cold. And I met Major Bowden, the battalion commander.

00:12:53 Speaker 1

And he says Lieutenant Warner, I see in your record your reporting for duty as a replacement.

00:13:00 Speaker 1

You. I see your communications officer. I says yes, Sir.

00:13:05 Speaker 1

He says we have no use for communication officer. What we need are forward observers.

00:13:13 Speaker 1

Go up to with the infantry and it's just artillery fire.

00:13:17

Yeah.

00:13:18 Speaker 1

Well, I had that training along with other procedures at Fort Sill, OK.

00:13:26 Speaker 1

And when I got up to Baker company in the 317th Infantry Regiment, I found out why they were needing forward observers.

00:13:38 Speaker 1

A foreign observer didn't last too long.

00:13:42 Speaker 1

No more than any other platoon.

00:13:44 Speaker 1

2nd Lieutenant would last very long.

00:13:48 Speaker 1

The average span of an infantryman was in combat was about 60 days.

00:13:56 Speaker 1

He could expect to.

00:13:59 Speaker 1

Either killed wounded in action, trench foot, whatever.

00:14:06 Speaker 2

Did you see?

00:14:07 Speaker 2

So you obviously saw a lot of.

00:14:09 Speaker 2

You were actually in the combat, weren't you? The fighting.

00:14:12 Speaker 1

Yes, I actually was.

00:14:14 Speaker 1

There, when you're with the infantry and they are committed, you are definitely in combat.

00:14:24 Speaker 1

Because then you you experience a rifle fire machine gunfire.

00:14:33 Speaker 1

Uh burp guns screaming Mimis.

00:14:38 Speaker 1

88.

00:14:40 Speaker 1

Martyrs.

00:14:41 Speaker 2

Everything basically.

00:14:44 Speaker 1

Oh yes.

00:14:46 Speaker 3

Umm that?

00:14:46 Speaker 2

You read about.

00:14:48 Speaker 2

You know in the.

00:14:49 Speaker 2

History books about trench warfare and all that.

00:14:53 Speaker 2

Like can you tell?

00:14:55 Speaker 2

A little bit about it from your your exact experiences.

00:14:56 Speaker 1

Yes, I can.

00:15:01 Speaker 1

World War One.

00:15:03 Speaker 1

Was a trench warfare engagement terrible war? Terrible living conditions in World War 2? We did not have trench warfare. Oh, none.

00:15:15 Speaker 2

Oh no.

00:15:16 Speaker 1

Practically.

00:15:17 Speaker 1

What we had were foxholes.

00:15:21 Speaker 1

One and two men. Foxholes.

00:15:24 Speaker 1

And we moved a lot.

00:15:27 Speaker 1

You either in the 3rd Army.

00:15:31 Speaker 1

General Patton.

00:15:33 Speaker 1

Believed in attack, attack, attack, attack. As a result, he saved thousands of lives by that military philosophy.

00:15:48 Speaker 1

Because he would attack with these armored divisions, his tanks and we infantry would ride on the tanks till we hit resistance.

00:15:59 Speaker 1

Off the tank then would go off and leave us.

00:16:02 Speaker 1

They would get behind the enemy.

00:16:05 Speaker 1

And then the infantry would have to mop up the pockets.

00:16:09 Speaker 1

That was left.

00:16:11 Speaker 1

And by doing that, General Patton saved a lot of lives rather than this slugging out.

00:16:20 Speaker 1

Attack a little bit and then retreat and attack.

00:16:25 Speaker 1

He didn't believe in.

00:16:27 Speaker 1

He believed in taking off with his armor.

00:16:30 Speaker 2

Are there many casualties in your unit?

00:16:35 Speaker 1

Yes, a on the state side, a company.

00:16:40 Speaker 1

I will speak now and with the infantry that I experience, even though I wasn't field artillery.

00:16:49 Speaker 1

In the stateside a company.

00:16:53 Speaker 1

Comprised of about 200 men.

00:16:58 Speaker 1

And.

00:17:01 Speaker 1

Uh.

00:17:04 Speaker 1

During combat.

00:17:07 Speaker 1

It wasn't very long until we D be down to 180 men and a lot of times a company would be maybe 121 thirty men.

00:17:20 Speaker 1

Because they were always experiencing casualties.

00:17:25 Speaker 1

In the Baker company that I was assigned to.

00:17:31 Speaker 1

Out of the 200 men that went through their training.

00:17:36 Speaker 1

Here in the United States.

00:17:40 Speaker 1

Only five of them ever went the whole distance with the Baker company to the end of the war only 5.

00:17:49 Speaker 2

And were you one of those five?

00:17:52 Speaker 1

No.

00:17:53 Speaker 1

I'm speaking of the original 200.

00:17:58 Speaker 1

That shipped overseas became engaged in combat.

00:18:02 Speaker 1

All that original 200 only 5 ended up and that was typical in infantry divisions.

00:18:11 Speaker 1

The very few.

00:18:14 Speaker 1

Infantrymen not speaking at headquarters.

00:18:19 Speaker 1

Or ordnance or.

00:18:21 Speaker 1

I'm speaking of the combat infantryman.

00:18:26 Speaker 1

Uh. He just couldn't expect to survive the full length of the engagement.

00:18:33 Speaker 1

Very our casualty rate in the infantry regiments was 180% from the time we entered combat in Normandy until we ended up.

00:18:48 Speaker 1

In May 845 in Austria.

00:18:55 Speaker 1

The.

00:18:58 Speaker 1

What was I saying?

00:19:00 Speaker 2

Oh, you're talking about the 100. There is 180% of the.

00:19:04 Speaker 1

But yes, that means that you have you realize what?

00:19:09 Speaker 1

100% cancellular rate would be.

00:19:12 Speaker 1

That would be complete turnover 100 percent, 80% then would be that 80% of those.

00:19:22 Speaker 1

And that that's why we had replacements constantly going over to replace casualties.

00:19:28 Speaker 2

OK.

00:19:29 Speaker 1

Now, do you know what a casualty is?

00:19:32 Speaker 1

Well, casually doesn't mean you've been killed.

00:19:34 Speaker 2

Oh, OK.

00:19:36 Speaker 1

Oh, a casualty is either killed.

00:19:40 Speaker 1

Killed in action.

00:19:43 Speaker 1

Missing in action.

00:19:47 Speaker 1

Uh.

00:19:49 Speaker 1

Battle fatigue.

00:19:52 Speaker 1

Trench foot.

00:19:54 Speaker 1

Being killed or wounded by friendly fire? That happens.

00:20:03 Speaker 1

When you shoot artillery, I would see my target.

00:20:09 Speaker 1

Whether the machine gun nest, a tank, a building, infantry, attacking infantryman in the woods, I'd see my target.

00:20:19 Speaker 1

Then I carried a radio and I'd radio back to the battalion Fire Direction Center and identify the coordinates of the.

00:20:31 Speaker 1

Of the target.

00:20:33 Speaker 1

And request fire for effect and then say on the way.

00:20:38 Speaker 1

And I'd listen because I never knew where my guns were 'cause they would be 1234 miles behind me somewhere 'cause I was with the infantry.

00:20:50 Speaker 1

And then I see the two rounds land relative to my target and I'd say over short left or right and.

00:21:01 Speaker 1

Until I got my fire setted on the target, then I'd say fire for a fact.

00:21:09 Speaker 1

And that would always be from 12 to 16105 artillery pieces firing at the same time on that target.

00:21:17 Speaker 26

Oh my goodness.

00:21:19 Speaker 2

Sometimes someone missed you or.

00:21:24 Speaker 2

Umm can you tell me like a few of your most memorable exper?

00:21:31 Speaker 2

lences like in the war fighting like something that you'll never forget.

00:21:38 Speaker 2

Bad or good?

00:21:39 Speaker 27

Mm.

00:21:40 Speaker 1

Yes, I can remember some of them.

00:21:47 Speaker 1

I remember adjusting time far.

00:21:52 Speaker 1

On exposed amphetamine.

00:21:56 Speaker 1

I will always remember that.

00:21:59 Speaker 1

I remember Castle Germany.

00:22:03 Speaker 1

Of who is on the edge of this large city?

00:22:09 Speaker 1

And in an orchard was a haystack.

00:22:13 Speaker 1

And it looked like a barrel of a tank sticking out.

00:22:18 Speaker 1

That's what I thought it was.

00:22:20 Speaker 1

I adjusted fire on that haystack, which I thought was a tank.

00:22:25 Speaker 1

It was a haystack, so I remember getting that tank.

00:22:32 Speaker 1

It was a haystack.

00:22:34 Speaker 1

I remember Lieutenant Weber.

00:22:38 Speaker 1

Uh, standing behind his tank directing fire on three pancer tanks, coming a tortoise.

00:22:49 Speaker 1

And his Sherman tank.

00:22:54 Speaker 1

Knocked out one of the tanks.

00:22:57 Speaker 1

And as soon as he got one knocked out, he was standing right by.

00:23:03 Speaker 1

A.

00:23:03 Speaker 1

A Rockwall Stonewall.

00:23:08 Speaker 1

And one of the rounds from the tank hit that wall right behind him.

00:23:14 Speaker 1

And the shelf fragments killed him.

00:23:16 Speaker 1

So I've always remembered watching Lieutenant Weber in action.

00:23:25 Speaker 1

Umm I remember.

00:23:27 Speaker 1

Probably remember living in foxholes.

00:23:31 Speaker 1

About as good as anything because it was so miserable.

00:23:37 Speaker 1

Cold the winter of 1945 and 1946 was the worst winter that Germany had had in 25 years.

00:23:48 Speaker 1

And would you survive in those?

00:23:52 Speaker 1

I can always remember trying to keep warm and my feet dry in a foxhole.

00:23:59 Speaker 2

That was difficult.

00:24:01 Speaker 1

Yes, and, but generally speaking, we'd go out and move out and attack the inventory would around 4:00 to 50 clock in the morning when it was dark, we jump off.

00:24:17 Speaker 1

And capture a small German village.

00:24:22 Speaker 1

And that's where we'd spend the night in.

00:24:26 Speaker 1

These German houses that had just been occupied by the Germans.

00:24:31 Speaker 2

Uh.

00:24:32 Speaker 1

With us driving them out, then we would take over.

00:24:37 Speaker 1

And that's where we wanted to stay. At least you could.

00:24:41 Speaker 1

Keep warm, you see.

00:24:43 Speaker 1

We didn't get.

00:24:44 Speaker 1

It's hard to dig a foxhole and frozen ground.

00:24:48

Hike.

00:24:48 Speaker 1

I'll tell you.

00:24:49 Speaker 2

You just dig him with your hand.

00:24:51 Speaker 1

Oh no. You had an entrenching tool carried on your back and always made sure I had mine.

00:24:58 Speaker 1

There's two things I always made sure I had. One of my entrenching tool and the other one my steel helmet.

00:25:06 Speaker 1

I made sure I had those two things.

00:25:11 Speaker 2

Umm. Umm OK.

00:25:12 Speaker 2

You know the Holocaust thing or Hitler. And did you ever come across any of that going on, the concentration camps or any of that sort of thing?

00:25:24 Speaker 2

You ever see any of that?

00:25:24 Speaker 1

Yes, I did.

00:25:27 Speaker 1

But the two known ones at the.

00:25:30 Speaker 1

Buchen involved.

00:25:32 Speaker 1

The 3rd Army liberated Bucharest and that was right before I joined the 3rd Army as a replacement.

00:25:43 Speaker 1

They also were involved with Dachau.

00:25:48 Speaker 1

But the concentration camp that I knew about was in Austria. It was evansy.

00:25:56 Speaker 1

We captured a concentration camp there.

00:26:02 Speaker 1

And is very unpleasant sight you can imagine.

00:26:08 Speaker 1

You.

00:26:09 Speaker 1

You can't.

00:26:11 Speaker 1

You cannot imagine, yeah.

00:26:14 Speaker 1

You just can't imagine the living skeletons that you see and you see people.

00:26:21 Speaker 1

Men dying right naked.

00:26:25 Speaker 1

Die right in front of you on the ground.

00:26:28 Speaker 1

Or their living quarters with three tiers high with just boards.

00:26:34 Speaker 1

Farm to live in there at Avani.

00:26:39 Speaker 1

We were told that the average inmate.

00:26:44 Speaker 1

Length was about six weeks.

00:26:48 Speaker 1

Terrible and.

00:26:51 Speaker 1

Book involved Dachau or even, I think, worse than ever.

00:26:56 Speaker 1

Both quite a bit larger.

00:27:00 Speaker 1

There were several concentration camps scattered all over.

00:27:04 Speaker 1

Not only in Germany but Austria, Czechoslovakia and other places.

00:27:09 Speaker 2

So when you say that you went there, so you freed, did you free those people then from that camp?

00:27:15 Speaker 1

Yes. And we had no difficulty doing it whatsoever because when we got close to the camp, had it under attack, the German Guards just all laughed, took off.

00:27:31 Speaker 1

They didn't defend it, so we didn't have any trouble taking it.

00:27:37 Speaker 1

And you can understand why the German Guards would take off because the inmates would kill them if they never could get to them.

00:27:45 Speaker 1

So they would just take off.

00:27:48 Speaker 2

And so then when you got to the people, did you just give them all that you had or how?

00:27:54 Speaker 2

Did that work? How did you?

00:27:56 Speaker 1

We only spent one day in this camp.

00:27:58 Speaker 2

Oh, OK.

00:28:00 Speaker 1

Because we were.

00:28:03 Speaker 1

In a timely so we took off on the next objective.

00:28:05 Speaker 2

Oh yeah, no.

00:28:11 Speaker 1

With the infantry, you just don't.

00:28:15 Speaker 1

Stay and enjoy much of anything. 'cause you're moving.

00:28:25 Speaker 1

What most people don't realize?

00:28:28 Speaker 1

In World War 2.

00:28:31 Speaker 1

In a combat division.

00:28:33 Speaker 1

Like the 80th Division.

00:28:37 Speaker 1

That.

00:28:40 Speaker 1

Only about 14% of that division actually.

00:28:45 Speaker 1

Shot or were shot at only about 14% the other.

00:28:52 Speaker 1

65 or 75% of the division were in support.

00:28:58 Speaker 1

You see you in the division, you have artillery like I was in. You didn't have very.

00:29:05 Speaker 1

Very many casualties and artillery.

00:29:09 Speaker 1

They just didn't get very many because they're remember 2345 mile behind.

00:29:15 Speaker 20

Uh.

00:29:16 Speaker 1

You have quartermaster, you have headquarters.

00:29:20 Speaker 1

You have supply. All these people are supporting the infantryman.

00:29:27

OK.

00:29:28 Speaker 1

Who make up only about 14%.

00:29:32 Speaker 1

70% of the casualty occurred right there.

00:29:35 Speaker 1

In the infantry.

00:29:38 Speaker 2

All right.

00:29:39 Speaker 2

It's all making sense now.

00:29:43 Speaker 1

Do you know how you could get out of combat?

00:29:47 Speaker 1

You couldn't.

00:29:49 Speaker 1

We all do that.

00:29:52 Speaker 1

In in World War 2.

00:29:54 Speaker 1

The Empire Division, we do, we couldn't get out. The only way you can get out of your unpleasant experiences is to get killed, to get wounded, to get captured.

00:30:09 Speaker 1

To have trench foot to have battle fatigue.

00:30:14 Speaker 1

Get injured or killed by friendly fire.

00:30:18 Speaker 1

Generally that'd be artillery fire or an accident.

00:30:22 Speaker 1

He was driving a Jeep and the Jeep overturned.

00:30:25 Speaker 1

Got killed or injured?

00:30:27

Yeah.

00:30:27 Speaker 1

Those are the only ways you could get out otherwise.

00:30:32 Speaker 1

Stuck and we see some of that today.

00:30:38 Speaker 1

In Iraq.

00:30:40 Speaker 1

We're beginning to question the morale of these soldiers in Iraq.

00:30:48 Speaker 1

There's 123 killed, about almost everyday, and this is wearing.

00:31:00 Speaker 1

And the third Infantry division that's in Iraq suffers casualties.

00:31:08 Speaker 1

So those troops.

00:31:12 Speaker 1

Are begin to realize. When do I get out of here and?

00:31:16 Speaker 1

At home.

00:31:18 Speaker 1

And we'd love to get him out of there, but we'd have to replace him with more.

00:31:24 Speaker 1

We still don't have a whole great lot to replace with.

00:31:29 Speaker 2

Were you ever injured?

00:31:31 Speaker 2

In the war, were you ever.

00:31:33 Speaker 1

And journey.

00:31:34 Speaker 2

Yeah. Injured. Like have a.

00:31:36 Speaker 1

Nope, never did.

00:31:40 Speaker 1

Suffer a.

00:31:41 Speaker 1

Never did get a Purple Heart.

00:31:44 Speaker 1

I had two brothers in the infantry in Europe. Neither one of them.

00:31:52 Speaker 1

Ever got a wound?

00:31:54 Speaker 1

And they saw even more action than I did.

00:31:58 Speaker 1

There was. So we three brothers were very fortunate.

00:32:01 Speaker 2

Yeah, I that's lucky, isn't it?

00:32:04 Speaker 1

Yes it is.

00:32:06 Speaker 2

Umm.

00:32:07 Speaker 2

How did you, uh?

00:32:09 Speaker 2

Stay in touch with your family while overseas.

00:32:11 Speaker 2

You or did you not well.

00:32:15 Speaker 1

Airmail.

00:32:17 Speaker 1

This was a little letter.

00:32:21 Speaker 1

Bernice received him.

00:32:22 Speaker 1

These were a little.

00:32:24 Speaker 1

What about four by 6 inches?

00:32:28 Speaker 1

Two page lightweight and you could write what you wanted and mail them as often as you wanted.

00:32:38 Speaker 1

They'd be picked up and flowing back.

00:32:41 Speaker 1

To the United States.

00:32:44 Speaker 1

So weight was a factor.

00:32:46 Speaker 3

Uh.

00:32:47 Speaker 1

And of course, they had to be censored.

00:32:50 Speaker 2

Yeah. So do many of do you have any of Bernice's letters that you have?

00:32:55 Speaker 1

Yes, I do.

00:32:56

And where are there?

00:32:58 Speaker 1

I have all of her letters.

00:33:00 Speaker 1

A/C.

00:33:01 Speaker 1

No, I have.

00:33:02 Speaker 1

Backwards.

00:33:03 Speaker 1

I don't have any of her letters. She sent me.

00:33:06 Speaker 1

She has all of mine.

00:33:07 Speaker 2

Yeah. And are there when you came back after the war, were you surprised?

00:33:12 Speaker 2

To see what they.

00:33:14 Speaker 2

Locked out.

00:33:15 Speaker 1

Yeah, Bernice is a great saver.

00:33:19 Speaker 1

And she saved all my letters. And after the war.

00:33:25 Speaker 1

Really, after I'd retired from.

00:33:28 Speaker 19

Eagle.

00:33:29 Speaker 1

School corporation.

00:33:32 Speaker 1

She took all these letters and typed them, put them in a in a book.

00:33:39 Speaker 1

Notebook.

00:33:39 Speaker 2

What's really mean?

00:33:42 Speaker 1

And.

00:33:45 Speaker 1

They were all there was some love letters in there and.

00:33:53 Speaker 1

And a lot of them would. I described some of the action.

00:33:59 Speaker 2

Oh, did you? Were you married before he?

00:34:02 Speaker 2

To the war.

00:34:04 Speaker 1

Uh.

00:34:04 Speaker 2

Did you get married right before you went or how?

00:34:07 Speaker 2

Yes. So you just wanted to?

00:34:10 Speaker 1

Were married about 5 months before I went overseas.

00:34:14 Speaker 2

And do you have any children yet?

00:34:16 Speaker 1

Yes, we have 5.

00:34:18 Speaker 18

We did not have any children.

00:34:21 Speaker 1

No, I'm sorry.

00:34:23 Speaker 2

Open.

00:34:23 Speaker 1

No, we didn't have any children before I went over after a return, we had five.

00:34:32 Speaker 2

Did you have plenty of?

00:34:34 Speaker 2

Did you ever feel like you needed other stuff?

00:34:38 Speaker 1

Yes, we were well equipped.

00:34:42 Speaker 1

We had ammunition.

00:34:46 Speaker 1

And.

00:34:50 Speaker 1

We had no problem there.

00:34:52 Speaker 1

Would have some.

00:34:53 Speaker 1

The infantry would have some problem with rations.

00:34:57 Speaker 1

During combat, you very seldom got a hot meal.

00:35:00 Speaker 2

Oh, right.

00:35:02 Speaker 1

Once in a while, they'd bring up the cooks, would prepare the meal.

00:35:07 Speaker 1

Back behind the lines.

00:35:10 Speaker 1

And put them in what we call alimite cans.

00:35:13 Speaker 1

They're insulated cans that are supposed to keep.

00:35:17 Speaker 1

Food hot or food cold, as the case may be, and they fry up some pancakes and put them in the olive cans and.

00:35:26 Speaker 1

And jolly orange marbley. And that was used to spread on, but they were always cold with the time we got them.

00:35:37 Speaker 1

I eat a lot of Kay.

00:35:40 Speaker 2

And what is that?

00:35:43 Speaker 1

K ration comes in a box about that long that wide and that thick.

00:35:50

And.

00:35:50 Speaker 1

I can tell you everything that's in AK ration box. I've made record of it.

00:35:55 Speaker 1

You want to hear it?

00:35:58 Speaker 2

Well, sure.

00:36:01 Speaker 1

Think I have it.

00:36:11 Speaker 1

Yeah, here it is.

00:36:13 Speaker 1

Ration.

00:36:16 Speaker 1

It had either breakfast, lunch or dinner types.

00:36:20 Speaker 1

And what made it distinguished between a breakfast, lunch or dinner was whether it had a can of meat or meat and cheese or meat and eggs.

00:36:30 Speaker 1

Meat and eggs was breakfast.

00:36:32 Speaker 1

And cheese and.

00:36:34 Speaker 1

Meet us dinner.

00:36:37 Speaker 1

You had biscuits, crackers, dextrose tablets.

00:36:42 Speaker 1

Instant coffee, instant lemon juice, fruit bar, chocolate bar, bullion, sugar tablets, chewing gum, cigarettes, and toilet paper.

00:36:54 Speaker 1

That would all be in this box.

00:36:58 Speaker 1

And it was supposed to have, uh. Furnished you with 3200 calories.

00:37:03 Speaker 2

Was it good?

00:37:06 Speaker 1

Well, when you're hungry, Alex, you don't get fussy.

00:37:11 Speaker 1

Or whatever you can eat. You're glad to get.

00:37:14

It.

00:37:15

Yeah, I I couldn't imagine.

00:37:16 Speaker 1

Hot meal, but I always.

00:37:20 Speaker 1

Got along OK with krishans.

00:37:21 Speaker 28

Hello that bartering?

00:37:26 Speaker 23

You.

00:37:26

Get chocolate.

00:37:27

Bars.

00:37:27 Speaker 1

For. Oh, well, that's never used.

00:37:31 Speaker 1

That's after that was when I was an occupation.

00:37:34 Speaker 1

You'd barter for.

00:37:36 Speaker 1

Cigarettes. The Germans all wanted cigarettes, so you could take a pack of cigarettes.

00:37:42 Speaker 1

And get about anything you wanted. It's worth about \$35 in US money.

00:37:49 Speaker 1

If I see your ***.

00:37:51 Speaker 1

We would give people.

00:37:55 Speaker 1

To clean up our quarters or in my case, after the war in office, no charge.

00:38:04 Speaker 1

All they wanted were the cigarette butts.

00:38:07 Speaker 2

Oh my gosh.

00:38:10 Speaker 2

So were you like, did everyone smoke in the war?

00:38:12 Speaker 2

That.

00:38:13 Speaker 1

I'm sorry to say it looked like about everybody smoked.

00:38:17 Speaker 1

Yeah, cigarettes and all. This came about from watching the movies in the 40s, 'cause every actress and actor sat around.

00:38:27 Speaker 1

With cigarette, did you ever see an old old?

00:38:28 Speaker 29

Yeah.

00:38:29 Speaker 1

Movie. Oh yeah, everybody's.

00:38:32 Speaker 1

Yeah. So and we could get cigarettes in combat.

00:38:38 Speaker 1

Our K ration would have 5 cigarettes in it. OK, in a little box everyday you could get those.

00:38:47 Speaker 1

Sulfur something else to?

00:38:50 Speaker 1

You got. I got to smoking cigarettes.

00:38:53 Speaker 2

The filthy signs.

00:38:54 Speaker 1

Because you could get them.

00:38:55 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:38:56 Speaker 23

He was in the occupation.

00:38:58 Speaker 15

For a year.

00:38:59 Speaker 1

Yeah, I was over in Germany a year and a half.

00:39:02 Speaker 2

After the war.

00:39:04 Speaker 1

After the war, I spent a little over a year in occupation.

00:39:08 Speaker 2

OK.

00:39:09 Speaker 2

So was it difficult being away from your wife for so long?

00:39:14 Speaker 2

Like how long exactly were you gone for?

00:39:18 Speaker 1

We were apart about a year and a half.

00:39:20 Speaker 2

OK and.

00:39:22 Speaker 1

Yeah, it's.

00:39:25 Speaker 1

When you're in love, I mean to tell you the days and nights can get along.

00:39:31 Speaker 1

Is that right, Anne?

00:39:34 Speaker 23

Them about your, about the Riviera.

00:39:38 Speaker 25

Well.

00:39:40 Speaker 1

This is shifting.

00:39:41 Speaker 1

They're talking to me about combat.

00:39:45 Speaker 2

It's fine.

00:39:46 Speaker 16

And.

00:39:46 Speaker 1

Well, after the war I went down to the river era, Cannes, France for.

00:39:52 Speaker 1

Recreation.

00:39:55 Speaker 1

And rest rnr.

00:39:57 Speaker 8

Uh.

00:39:59 Speaker 1

And spent 10 days down.

00:40:01 Speaker 1

Man, that was a change from what flew down in ADC 3.

00:40:09 Speaker 1

And flew back in ADC 3.

00:40:12 Speaker 1

Spent 10 days in Rivera.

00:40:14 Speaker 27

Right.

00:40:15 Speaker 1

Cannes, France is.

00:40:17

That nice.

00:40:19 Speaker 1

Oh man.

00:40:20 Speaker 23

Is where Princess Grace.

00:40:21 Speaker 2

Oh.

00:40:23 Speaker 2

Oh wow.

00:40:24 Speaker 1

Yeah, that's where facts.

00:40:26 Speaker 1

I knew I didn't go there, but I was on the hill above it and I have a picture of it.

00:40:32 Speaker 1

Looking down on it. Wow.

00:40:34 Speaker 2

So when you came home from the war, what was the feeling of everything? Like when you, like, came home off the ship or wherever?

00:40:43 Speaker 2

What?

00:40:44 Speaker 2

How did you feel?

00:40:46 Speaker 1

It's hard to describe that feeling now. I was elated. Thankful.

00:40:53 Speaker 1

Bitter, sarcastic, separated at Camp Atavary.

00:41:01 Speaker 1

But when I came home, I was a little bit bitter and sarcastic. Hum.

00:41:07 Speaker 1

Because I could see where all the casualties were.

00:41:13 Speaker 1

And I also knew that.

00:41:17 Speaker 1

The people in the United States had didn't have a clue what war was about, actually the suffering.

00:41:25 Speaker 1

That.

00:41:27 Speaker 1

Can you imagine the Germans and all they under under went in all the bombings?

00:41:36 Speaker 1

Men, women and children killed by the thousands. I don't know whether you've ever well.

00:41:45 Speaker 1

Sometime to hear a bomb coming, screaming it.

00:41:50 Speaker 1

It sounds like it's going to hit you on the head.

00:41:54 Speaker 1

And it's devastating and I don't know how those people ever stood.

00:42:00 Speaker 2

Yeah, how they ever.

00:42:04 Speaker 1

In the United States, what we have is rationing.

00:42:08 Speaker 1

We had what AB and C coupons.

00:42:13 Speaker 1

And everybody wanted to see coupon.

00:42:15 Speaker 1

You can get more, but everything was rationed.

00:42:18 Speaker 1

Was.

00:42:19 Speaker 1

Meat was.

00:42:20 Speaker 1

Shoes were rationed, gas was rationed.

00:42:25 Speaker 1

Well, I don't know.

00:42:26 Speaker 1

Never did.

00:42:28 Speaker 1

I was never here and had a rationing card like your folks did. My folks.

00:42:37 Speaker 1

But.

00:42:39 Speaker 1

But we we had mothers.

00:42:43 Speaker 1

Old sour mothers who lost sons.

00:42:47 Speaker 1

Now they knew what war was about without ever being in it.

00:42:54 Speaker 1

And I should say mothers, but fathers too, and brothers and sisters.

00:43:00 Speaker 2

When you when you came back from the war, was that the end of the war?

00:43:06 Speaker 2

Did you come back when the war had ended? the United States had won.

00:43:11 Speaker 2

Is that when you came back, OK?

00:43:12 Speaker 1

No, the war ended May 7, 1945, and I didn't come back until June of 1946.

00:43:23 Speaker 1

Because I spent one year in occupation.

00:43:26 Speaker 30

I.

00:43:28 Speaker 1

You only get so many points in combat.

00:43:33 Speaker 1

The length of service, whether it's combat service, whether you got a Purple Heart or Bronze star or some other.

00:43:41 Speaker 1

Medal you added all these and you got points, but if you had enough points you got to come home with your division.

00:43:49 Speaker 1

The 80th Entry Division came home without me because I did not have enough points.

00:43:56 Speaker 1

I had 58 points.

00:44:00

Did you need?

00:44:00 Speaker 1

Oh, I don't.

00:44:01 Speaker 1

I think around 75.

00:44:05

Yeah.

00:44:05 Speaker 1

To come home with a division.

00:44:09 Speaker 2

But when you came home, it was a great feeling so.

00:44:12 Speaker 1

Oh, yes, yes.

00:44:14 Speaker 2

Was your wife rooting for you?

00:44:17 Speaker 1

Sure.

00:44:19 Speaker 2

I bet after all those long.

00:44:21 Speaker 1

Sure.

00:44:25 Speaker 2

What did you did do in the occupational and the war or after the war?

00:44:32 Speaker 1

We made sure that the Germans didn't get reorganized or the communists didn't take over. We just guarded it.

00:44:43 Speaker 1

Small towns, largest towns.

00:44:48 Speaker 1

We just occupied and became a police force is what we did.

00:44:53 Speaker 2

Is it kind of like what they're doing in Iraq?

00:44:56 Speaker 2

You kind of compare that.

00:44:58 Speaker 1

Yes, kind of like that with one exception.

00:45:01 Speaker 1

In Iraq, they're still getting killed.

00:45:05 Speaker 1

We did not suffer from the Germans.

00:45:11 Speaker 1

And of course, Russia was our ally then, of course.

00:45:15 Speaker 1

But we we.

00:45:16 Speaker 1

We did not get uptight about getting.

00:45:21 Speaker 1

Some fanatic tying a bomb around him and getting into barracks and killing us.

00:45:26 Speaker 1

We didn't experience any of that like they are in Iraq.

00:45:29 Speaker 2

OK.

00:45:31

Umm.

00:45:32 Speaker 2

So then you came back home after your occupational after helping out the Germans get back in order and all that.

00:45:39 Speaker 2

Umm, what did you do when you came?

00:45:41 Speaker 2

Did you go back to school or and did you live in the same place? You just start right back up where you left off or how did.

00:45:43 Speaker 1

Yes.

00:45:50 Speaker 2

How?

00:45:50 Speaker 2

How did?

00:45:50 Speaker 1

That I had one semester to go at Purdue.

00:45:56 Speaker 1

And.

00:45:58 Speaker 1

So I got home in June of 46 and that fall I enrolled at Purdue University.

00:46:06 Speaker 1

And got my degree. My Bachelor of Science and I graduated on February last day of January.

00:46:16 Speaker 1

Think it was.

00:46:18 Speaker 1

Well, on Groundhog Day is when I came to Zionsville.

00:46:23

OK.

00:46:24 Speaker 1

1947.

00:46:27

Yeah.

00:46:28 Speaker 2

February 3rd.

00:46:30 Speaker 1

No, I graduated the day before it was. I came down here on Groundhog Day.

00:46:36 Speaker 1

February 2nd.

00:46:37 Speaker 2

OK. And did you have you always had this house or where do you?

00:46:42 Speaker 1

Live no.

00:46:46 Speaker 1

We lived down on downtown Cedar St.

00:46:51 Speaker 1

The corner well.

00:46:53 Speaker 8

We set up housekeeping.

00:46:55 Speaker 10

Which is 334 and 5th St.

00:46:59 Speaker 2

OK.

00:47:01 Speaker 1

But we live before that with Bernard Clayton, who's the editor of the Zionsville paper.

00:47:09 Speaker 1

We live with him.

00:47:11 Speaker 2

You lived with him.

00:47:12 Speaker 1

Yes, his wife had visited, was visiting her son in Honolulu.

00:47:18 Speaker 2

Oh wow.

00:47:18 Speaker 1

So Bernice became the cook.

00:47:23 Speaker 1

Or Bernard Clayton.

00:47:25 Speaker 1

He was a crusty individual then. We lived on Cedar.

00:47:29 Speaker 1

Three, which the house is still there, has an iron fence around which I put a little Gray bungalow.

00:47:38 Speaker 1

And then we live 13 years.

00:47:42 Speaker 1

Where the Nature Center is now.

00:47:44 Speaker 3

Mm.

00:47:46 Speaker 1

My family lived there for 13 years in that house.

00:47:49

Wow.

00:47:50 Speaker 1

But they have added a room.

00:47:55 Speaker 1

Area to that house, but the original house is still there that we lived in.

00:48:02 Speaker 2

So then you had five children. And how old are they now?

00:48:04 Speaker 1

Yes.

00:48:07 Speaker 2

They growing up.

00:48:08 Speaker 1

Oh yeah, they're all on their own.

00:48:10 Speaker 2

Have children.

00:48:12 Speaker 1

Sure, the oldest is an engineer, the Daimler Chrysler.

00:48:18 Speaker 1

He's singing about retiring.

00:48:19 Speaker 1

About 55.

00:48:22 Speaker 1

And I have a daughter who teaches down here at the Pike.

00:48:28 Speaker 1

My son is a General Motors.

00:48:32 Speaker 1

GM's graduate, and that's a a work GMI.

00:48:38 Speaker 1

That's a work school program. You go to school for six weeks and then you work for six weeks.

00:48:45

He.

00:48:45 Speaker 1

Did that for five years, graduated from there.

00:48:49 Speaker 1

Then his grades were good enough that he could choose any place he wanted to go for his masters.

00:48:55 Speaker 1

He went to University of Michigan, got his master because he met her Michigan girl there.

00:49:02 Speaker 1

That's what was the basis of his selection.

00:49:06

Still there.

00:49:07 Speaker 1

Still there.

00:49:09 Speaker 1

And he married her.

00:49:10 Speaker 2

OK.

00:49:11 Speaker 1

Elaine, my daughter's a Ball State grad.

00:49:14 Speaker 1

Teaches 9th Pyke Elementary.

00:49:17 Speaker 1

Eloise is a Ball State grad.

00:49:20 Speaker 1

She's a retired dietitian at Springfield, IL.

00:49:25 Speaker 1

I have a daughter who got her MRIMRS degree at Purdue.

00:49:30 Speaker 1

Took her almost two years to get it.

00:49:34 Speaker 1

He's now living in Oregon.

00:49:39 Speaker 1

And has two children and my youngest son is a single parent.

00:49:43 Speaker 1

One year at Indiana State and he lives twice that.

00:49:48 Speaker 2

OK.

00:49:51 Speaker 3

Picking up.

00:49:54 Speaker 2

All right.

00:50:03 Speaker 19

Lately, look again.

00:50:05 Speaker 18

Is back at Pizza Hut.

00:50:08 Speaker 18

It's just 299. When you get any large.

00:50:10 Speaker 18

Regular price, a big taste and a big folded pizza crust filled with cheese and luscious topping. No one makes the whole family happy like Pizza Hut.

00:50:14

I.

00:50:18 Speaker 23

So this is a result.

00:50:20 Speaker 15

It's the DVD event of the.

00:50:22 Speaker 15

Summer.

00:50:29

Hey.

00:50:30 Speaker 15

Die another day. Another day.

00:50:31 Speaker 15

The two disk Special Edition DVD only June 3rd.

00:50:51 Speaker 11

From coast to coast.

00:50:54 Speaker 6

You don't click it.

00:50:56 Speaker 31

Expect a ticket.

00:50:57 Speaker 11

Cops write tickets because seatbelts save lives, so click it or ticket.

00:50:58

I.

00:51:05 Speaker 32

Detective Eddie Arlette is one of New York's finest. We're.

00:51:08 Speaker 29

Going to get fast and we're going to.

00:51:09 Speaker 32

Hit hard, but in London they do things a little differently.

00:51:14 Speaker 33

So how you doing, Miss Woody Penny?

00:51:15

I'm really good.

00:51:17 Speaker 20

Especially when I'm on top.

00:51:51 Speaker 34

Dropped to 17th place.

00:51:53 Speaker 35

Yeah, and it didn't matter what kind of shield you've got or anything else. You're not going to see through that, right?

00:51:58 Speaker 35

That's what the drivers are looking through that got involved in that, that were behind him, but I couldn't help but think about Kristen fit up all the other night. We were talking on the trackside show and he said what have that guy anyway?

00:52:09 Speaker 35

Said he blown up.

00:52:10 Speaker 35

He said.

00:52:10 Speaker 35

What?

00:52:12 Speaker 35

He said oh, he blew up.

00:52:13 Speaker 35

Got you.

00:52:16 Speaker 29

They did push Kenny Wallace's car behind the garage, and that's only two cars out well past the halfway point.

00:52:16 Speaker 24

Run.

00:52:22 Speaker 29

Kenny Wallace now joins Jeremy.

00:52:36 Speaker 3

We are at the House of Oliver Warner on October 17th, 2003.

00:52:42 Speaker 3

We are interviewing Oliver Warner, who was born on December 26, 1921, and currently lives at 1005.

00:52:53 Speaker 3

Starkey Rd. Zionsville. IN 46077, he served in World War 2 in the army with his highest rank being firstly.

00:53:04 Speaker 3

Alligator will be interviewing Oliver and Anne Birch will be the camera operator.

00:53:59 Speaker 2

Were you drafted or did you enlist in the war?

00:54:03 Speaker 1

I was.

00:54:05 Speaker 1

Enlisted in 1942.

00:54:09 Speaker 20

And.

00:54:10 Speaker 1

I.

00:54:10 Speaker 1

Excuse me, I didn't enlist.

00:54:13 Speaker 1

I was inducted.

00:54:15 Speaker 1

I was inducted in 1942 when I was at a sophomore Purdue University.

00:54:22 Speaker 2

Were you?

00:54:24 Speaker 2

Where were you living at the time?

00:54:26 Speaker 2

You in West Lafayette then or?

00:54:29 Speaker 1

I was living in a homemade trailer.

00:54:33 Speaker 2

In West Lafayette.

00:54:36 Speaker 1

Indiana.

00:54:37 Speaker 1

Lafayette. They wouldn't permit my homemade trailer in the city limits, so I lived outside the city limits.

00:54:46 Speaker 2

What were you doing in your life?

00:54:48 Speaker 2

You said that you were at.

00:54:49 Speaker 2

Like what other things were going on with?

00:54:53 Speaker 2

Where you do, you have a girlfriend or were you?

00:54:57 Speaker 2

What were you working on at Purdue?

00:55:00 Speaker 1

Well, actually.

00:55:05 Speaker 1

I was.

00:55:07 Speaker 1

An agricultural education school.

00:55:11 Speaker 1

And what that meant was you came out as a vocational agriculture teacher and also science teacher, which I did Zionsville at first.

00:55:24 Speaker 1

And when you know the war started in December of 1941.

00:55:32 Speaker 1

So the war had been going on for a year before I was ever inducted, so I was a student at Purdue in the Ag school taking AG education.

00:55:49 Speaker 1

And science courses.

00:55:53 Speaker 1

And I didn't have I had a girlfriend.

00:55:56 Speaker 1

She's back there in.

00:55:59 Speaker 10

Yeah.

00:56:00 Speaker 1

We were high school classmates, not.

00:56:04 Speaker 1

We were in high school together, I should say.

00:56:07 Speaker 2

And you? So you didn't even think about the war, did that?

00:56:11 Speaker 1

Not a whole lot.

00:56:13 Speaker 1

I knew that war was going on right and.

00:56:18 Speaker 1

But I was busy.

00:56:21 Speaker 1

With gone to Purdue as a student and I really didn't react.

00:56:24 Speaker 2

So just doing so doing your own.

00:56:29 Speaker 1

Really, to the war.

00:56:34 Speaker 1

I suspect I will just a lot like young people are today.

00:56:39 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:56:42 Speaker 2

Why did you pick the service branch like what's?

00:56:44 Speaker 2

First, why did you join?

00:56:49 Speaker 1

I the reason why I was inducted?

00:56:53 Speaker 1

My entire ROTC class was inducted at the same time down to Fort Harrison.

00:57:03 Speaker 1

And I was a member of that ROTC class.

00:57:07 Speaker 1

We were all inducted at the same time.

00:57:12 Speaker 2

What branch of service you?

00:57:14 Speaker 1

Field artillery.

00:57:15 Speaker 2

And so that's on the frontline, right?

00:57:20 Speaker 2

Yes.

00:57:20 Speaker 1

Yes, field artillery.

00:57:24 Speaker 1

Was very much in World War 2.

00:57:28 Speaker 1

I I can get to it later.

00:57:31 Speaker 1

I adjusted artillery fire. I really worked with the infantry.

00:57:36 Speaker 1

I was a forward observer.

00:57:38 Speaker 2

OK.

00:57:38 Speaker 1

And I was in the with.

00:57:39 Speaker 1

Infantry all the time.

00:57:42 Speaker 2

Do you recall your first days in the service?

00:57:44 Speaker 2

Do you recall like first getting there?

00:57:47 Speaker 1

Oh, I sure do.

00:57:49 Speaker 1

I remember being inducted down at.

00:57:53 Speaker 1

Fort Harrison.

00:57:54 Speaker 1

And being issued by clothes and getting in line for the army doctors to examine me physically.

00:58:07 Speaker 1

And showing me some films on proper behavior and what to look out for in the services.

00:58:16 Speaker 1

Yeah, I remember.

00:58:18 Speaker 1

Very distinctly.

00:58:21 Speaker 1

Is my first train.

00:58:21 Speaker 1

We all went down in the train.

00:58:23 Speaker 2

Was that exciting?

00:58:24 Speaker 1

What was to me, 'cause I'd never been on a train. I'm a farm boy.

00:58:28

Yeah.

00:58:29 Speaker 2

Was it nervous?

00:58:30 Speaker 2

Like, how did you feel?

00:58:31 Speaker 2

Like when you were going through that.

00:58:34 Speaker 1

Oh, I I really kind of enjoyed.

00:58:37 Speaker 1

It's a new adventure, you know, and I just was new to me and I was wide eyed and bushy tailed and enjoyed what was going on.

00:58:49 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:58:53 Speaker 2

Tell me about your boot camp. Like training experience. Like, what was that like?

00:58:58 Speaker 2

How difficult was that?

00:58:59 Speaker 1

OK, my basic training.

00:59:04 Speaker 1

Was in Fort Bragg, NC.

00:59:08 Speaker 1

And this I took my training on a 155 hausers field artillery fees.

00:59:16 Speaker 2

OK.

00:59:18 Speaker 1

And was there for 17 weeks during the summer.

00:59:25 Speaker 1

And it was hot.

00:59:28 Speaker 1

A lot of sand.

00:59:33 Speaker 1

All new, of course, because.

00:59:37 Speaker 1

Suddenly we had Reveley and we had to get up and go to mess hall and eat as a group and and you.

00:59:46 Speaker 1

There wasn't any menu.

00:59:48 Speaker 1

You just whatever was there you would eat.

00:59:53 Speaker 1

And we would go out on field exercises.

00:59:58 Speaker 1

On.

01:00:01 Speaker 1

155 housers.

01:00:03 Speaker 1

And of course, we every day we had to take the obstacle course.

01:00:08 Speaker 1

I have a description of an obstacle course. We want to see what it is.

01:00:17 Speaker 1

All we all pulled KP duty.

01:00:21 Speaker 1

You know, I had to get on her hands and knees with brushes, hand brushes and soap and scrub the.

01:00:29 Speaker 1

The mess hall.

01:00:32 Speaker 1

We live together in a barracks of.

01:00:36 Speaker 1

60 men.

01:00:39 Speaker 1

There was two-story 30 men in the first story and 30 in the second.

01:00:45 Speaker 2

Vagina.

01:00:46 Speaker 1

We all shared one common.

01:00:50 Speaker 1

We call them meeting called by the call latrines. We all shared the same latrine.

01:00:56 Speaker 1

There was absolutely no privacy.

01:01:00 Speaker 1

And we didn't even think anything about it, that the fact there wasn't any privacy.

01:01:06 Speaker 2

Where exactly did you go?

01:01:09 Speaker 2

Area.

01:01:09 Speaker 2

Like overseas, where what area was that?

01:01:11 Speaker 30

Hey.

01:01:13 Speaker 1

I went to Germany.

01:01:16 Speaker 1

And I went overseas.

01:01:21 Speaker 1

I went over as a replacement. I had taken my basic training at Fort Bragg and then I went to officers training school at Fort Sill, Oklahoma became.

01:01:35 Speaker 1

A second Lieutenant.

01:01:37 Speaker 1

And then I served in a division or two.

01:01:43 Speaker 1

And then was shipped overseas in December of 1944 as a replacement.

01:01:49 Speaker 2

OK.

01:01:50 Speaker 1

I can tell you about replacements.

01:01:53 Speaker 1

But that's what I went over as replacement as a replacement.

01:01:59 Speaker 1

And when I got there, I joined the 80th Infrared Division.

01:02:05 Speaker 1

And that was in the 3rd Army.

01:02:09 Speaker 1

General George S Patton was my army commander.

01:02:13 Speaker 1

Maybe you've heard?

01:02:15 Speaker 1

Of O blood and guts.

01:02:19 Speaker 1

General Patton.

01:02:21 Speaker 1

And I went to the 80th Infantry Division.

01:02:25 Speaker 1

Were in combat.

01:02:29 Speaker 1

In Germany.

01:02:32 Speaker 1

And.

01:02:35 Speaker 1

I went over.

01:02:37 Speaker 1

As a.

01:02:40 Speaker 1

Communications officer. I had gotten spatial training at Fort Sill and Communications.

01:02:48 Speaker 1

And when I went up to the battalion at night in the dark.

01:02:55 Speaker 1

The first thing I saw laying out in front of the battalion headquarters were three dead Germans in the middle of the street, practically stacked up on each other.

01:03:06 Speaker 1

And it was.

01:03:10 Speaker 1

Cold and I met Major Bowden, the battalion commander.

01:03:16 Speaker 1

And he says Lieutenant Warner, I see if your record your reporting for duty as a replacement.

01:03:24 Speaker 1

You. I see your communications officer.

01:03:27 Speaker 1

I says yes Sir.

01:03:29 Speaker 1

He says we have no use for communication officer. What we need are forward observers.

01:03:37 Speaker 1

Go up to with the infantry and it's just artillery fire.

01:03:42 Speaker 1

Well, I had had that training along with other procedures at Fort Sill, OK.

01:03:49 Speaker 1

And when I got up to Baker company in the 317th Infantry Regiment, I found out why they were needing forward observers.

01:04:01 Speaker 1

A foreign observer didn't last too long.

01:04:05 Speaker 1

No more than any other platoon.

01:04:07 Speaker 1

2nd Lieutenant would last very long.

01:04:12 Speaker 1

The average span of an infantryman was in combat was about 60 days.

01:04:20 Speaker 1

He could expect.

01:04:23 Speaker 1

To either kill wounded in action, Trench foot, whatever.

01:04:29 Speaker 2

Umm did you see?

01:04:30 Speaker 2

So you obviously saw a lot of combat. You were actually in the combat, weren't you the fighting?

01:04:35 Speaker 1

Yes, I actually was.

01:04:37 Speaker 2

There.

01:04:38 Speaker 1

When you're with the infantry and they are committed, you are definitely in combat.

01:04:47 Speaker 1

'Cause then you you experience a rifle fire machine gunfire.

01:04:57 Speaker 1

Burp.

01:04:59 Speaker 1

Screaming Mimis, 80, eights.

01:05:04 Speaker 1

Martyrs.

01:05:05 Speaker 2

Thing basically.

01:05:07 Speaker 1

Oh yes.

01:05:10 Speaker 2

You read about, you know, in the history books about trench warfare and all that.

01:05:17 Speaker 2

Like, can you tell us a little bit about it from your exact experiences?

01:05:20 Speaker 1

Yes, I can.

01:05:24 Speaker 1

World War One.

01:05:27 Speaker 1

Was a trench warfare engagement terrible war? Terrible living conditions in World War 2? We did not have trench warfare. Oh.

01:05:38 Speaker 2

Oh no.

01:05:40 Speaker 1

Practically.

01:05:41 Speaker 1

What we had were foxholes.

01:05:44 Speaker 1

One and two men. Foxholes.

01:05:48 Speaker 1

And we moved a lot.

01:05:51 Speaker 1

You either in the 3rd Army, General Patton believed in attack.

01:06:00 Speaker 1

Attack, attack, attack.

01:06:02 Speaker 1

As a result, he saved thousands of lives by that military philosophy.

01:06:12 Speaker 1

Because he would attack with these armored divisions, his tanks and we infantry would ride on the tanks till we hit resistance.

01:06:22 Speaker 1

Off the tank then would go off and leave us.

01:06:26 Speaker 1

They would get behind the enemy.

01:06:29 Speaker 1

And then the infantry would have to mop up the pockets that was left. And by doing that, General Patton saved a lot of lives rather than this slugging out.

01:06:42 Speaker 1

Just.

01:06:43 Speaker 1

Attack a little bit and then retreat and attack.

01:06:48 Speaker 1

He didn't believe in.

01:06:50 Speaker 1

He believed in taking off with his armor.

01:06:54 Speaker 2

Umm. Were there many casualties in your unit?

01:06:57 Speaker 1

Yes.

01:06:59 Speaker 1

A on the state side, a company.

01:07:04 Speaker 1

I will speak now and with the infantry that I experienced, even though I was in field artillery.

01:07:13 Speaker 1

In the stateside a company.

01:07:17 Speaker 1

Comprised of about 200 men.

01:07:22 Speaker 1

And.

01:07:25 Speaker 1

Uh.

01:07:28 Speaker 1

During combat.

01:07:31 Speaker 1

It wasn't very long until we'd be down to 180 men and a lot of times a company would be maybe 120, a 130 men.

01:07:43 Speaker 1

Because they were always experiencing casualties.

01:07:49 Speaker 1

In the Bayer company that I was assigned to.

01:07:54 Speaker 1

Out of the 200 men that went through their training.

01:07:59 Speaker 1

Here in the United States.

01:08:03 Speaker 1

Only five of them ever went the whole distance with the Baker company to the end of the war.

01:08:11 Speaker 1

Only five of the original 200 that shipped overseas became engaged in combat.

01:08:19 Speaker 1

All that original 200 only 5 ended up and that was typical in infantry divisions, the very few.

01:08:31 Speaker 1

Uh amphetamine. I'm not speaking of headquarters or ordinance or quartermaster.

01:08:38 Speaker 1

Speaking of the combat infantryman.

01:08:44 Speaker 1

Uh. He just couldn't expect to survive at the full length of the engagement.

01:08:51 Speaker 1

Our casualty rate in the infantry regiments was 180.

01:09:01 Speaker 1

From the time we entered combat Normandy until we ended up in May 1945 in Austria, that means that you had you realized what 100% cancelled the rate would be.

01:09:17 Speaker 1

That would be complete turnover 100%.

01:09:20 Speaker 1

80% then would be that 80% of those.

01:09:26 Speaker 1

And that that's why we had replacements constantly going over to replace casualties.

01:09:33

OK.

01:09:33 Speaker 1

Well, casualty doesn't mean you've been killed.

01:09:36 Speaker 2

OK.

01:09:38 Speaker 1

Oh, oh. Casually is either killed killed in action.

01:09:44 Speaker 1

Missing in action.

01:09:50 Speaker 1

Battle fatigue.

01:09:53 Speaker 1

Trench foot.

01:09:55 Speaker 1

Being killed or wounded by friendly fire? That happens.

01:10:04 Speaker 1

When you shoot artillery.

01:10:08 Speaker 1

I would see my target.

01:10:10 Speaker 1

Whether the machine gun nest, a tank, a building, infantry, attacking infantryman in the woods, I'd see my target.

01:10:21 Speaker 1

Then I carried a radio and I'd radio back to the battalion Fire Direction Center and identify the coordinates of the.

01:10:31 Speaker 1

All the target and request fire for effect, and they'd say on the way.

01:10:40 Speaker 1

And I'd listen 'cause. I never knew where my guns were 'cause they would be 1234 miles behind me somewhere. 'cause I was with the infantry, and then I'd see the two rounds land relative to my target.

01:10:56 Speaker 1

And I'd say over short left or right.

01:11:00 Speaker 1

And.

01:11:03 Speaker 1

Until I got my fire centered on the target, then I'd say fire for a fact.

01:11:10 Speaker 1

And that would always be from 12 to 16105 artillery pieces firing at the same time on that target.

01:11:19

My.

01:11:20 Speaker 2

Sometimes someone missed you or.

01:11:25 Speaker 2

Could you tell me like a few of your most memorable experiences? Like in the war fighting, like something that you'll never forget?

01:11:35 Speaker 2

Bad or good?

01:11:38 Speaker 1

Yes, I can remember some of them.

01:11:45 Speaker 1

I remember adjusting time far.

01:11:49 Speaker 1

On exposed amphetamine.

01:11:54 Speaker 1

I will always remember that I remember.

01:11:59 Speaker 1

Castle, Germany.

01:12:01 Speaker 1

Of who was on the edge of this large city.

01:12:06 Speaker 1

And in an orchard was a haystack.

01:12:11 Speaker 1

And look like a barrel of a tank sticking out. That's what I thought was. I adjusted fire on that haystack, which I thought was a tank.

01:12:23 Speaker 1

And it was a haystack.

01:12:24 Speaker 1

So I remember getting that tank.

01:12:29 Speaker 1

It was a haystack.

01:12:32 Speaker 1

I remember Lieutenant Weber.

01:12:36 Speaker 1

Standing behind his tank directing fire on three pants or tanks coming a tortoise.

01:12:46 Speaker 1

And.

01:12:48 Speaker 1

His Sherman tank.

01:12:51 Speaker 1

Knocked out one of the tanks.

01:12:54 Speaker 1

And soon as he got one knocked out, he was standing right by a.

01:13:01 Speaker 1

A rock wall.

01:13:03 Speaker 1

Stone wall.

01:13:06 Speaker 1

And one of the rounds from the tank hit that wall right behind him.

01:13:11 Speaker 1

And the shelf fragments killed him.

01:13:14 Speaker 1

So I've always remembered watching Lieutenant Weber in action.

01:13:22 Speaker 1

I remember.

01:13:25 Speaker 1

Probably remember living in foxholes.

01:13:29 Speaker 1

About as good as anything because it was so miserable.

01:13:34 Speaker 1

Cold the winner of 1945 and 1946, was the worst winter that Germany had had in 25 years.

01:13:46 Speaker 1

And would you'd survive in those.

01:13:49 Speaker 1

I can always remember trying to keep warm in my feet, dry in a foxhole.

01:13:57 Speaker 2

I bet that.

01:13:57 Speaker 2

Difficult.

01:13:59 Speaker 1

Yes, and, but generally speaking, we'd go out and move out and attack the inventory would.

01:14:08 Speaker 1

Around 4:00 to 50 clock in the.

01:14:09 Speaker 1

When it was.

01:14:11 Speaker 1

Dark, we jump off on attack.

01:14:15 Speaker 1

And capture a small German village.

01:14:20 Speaker 1

And that's where we'd spend the night.

01:14:24 Speaker 1

In a these German houses that had just been occupied by the Germans.

01:14:29 Speaker 1

With us driving them out, then we would take over.

01:14:35 Speaker 1

And that's where we wanted to stay.

01:14:36 Speaker 1

Least you could keep.

01:14:39 Speaker 1

You see, we didn't get.

01:14:41 Speaker 1

It's hard to dig a foxhole in frozen ground, but you had an entrenching tool carried on your back and always made sure I had mine.

01:14:51 Speaker 1

There's two things I always made sure I had. One of my entrenching tool and the other one my steel helmet steel helmet.

01:14:59 Speaker 1

I made sure I had those two things.

01:15:02 Speaker 2

Did you ever come across any of that going on the concentration camps or any of that?

01:15:08 Speaker 2

Sort of.

01:15:09 Speaker 2

Do you ever see any well?

01:15:09 Speaker 1

Yes, I did.

01:15:11 Speaker 1

But the two known ones at the at Buchenwald.

01:15:18 Speaker 1

The 3rd Army liberated Bucharest and that was right before I joined the 3rd Army as a replacement.

01:15:29 Speaker 1

They also were involved with Dachau, but the concentration camp that I knew about.

01:15:38 Speaker 1

Was in Austria, it was evansy.

01:15:41 Speaker 1

We captured a.

01:15:44 Speaker 1

Concentration camp there.

01:15:47 Speaker 1

And is very unpleasant sight.

01:15:52 Speaker 1

You just can't imagine the living skeletons that you see and you see people.

01:15:59 Speaker 1

Men dying right naked.

01:16:02 Speaker 1

Die right in front of you on the ground.

01:16:06 Speaker 1

Or their living quarters with three tiers high with just boards.

01:16:12 Speaker 1

Firm to live in there at Ebony.

01:16:17 Speaker 1

We were told that the average inmate.

01:16:22 Speaker 1

Length was about six weeks.

01:16:26 Speaker 1

Parable and book involved Dachau, or even, I think, worse than Evans.

01:16:34 Speaker 1

They were both quite a bit larger.

01:16:38 Speaker 1

There were several concentration camps scattered all over.

01:16:42 Speaker 1

Not only in Germany but Austria, Czechoslovakia and other places.

01:16:46 Speaker 2

So when you say that you went there, so you freed, did you free those people then from that camp?

01:16:53 Speaker 1

Yes, and we had no difficulty doing it whatsoever because when we got close to the camp, had it under attack, the German Guards just all laugh.

01:17:08 Speaker 1

Ed took.

01:17:09 Speaker 1

They didn't defend it, so we didn't have any trouble taking it.

01:17:15 Speaker 1

And you can understand why the German Guards would take off because the inmates would kill them if they never could get to them.

01:17:23 Speaker 1

So they would just take off.

01:17:26 Speaker 2

And so then when you got to the people, did you just give them all that you had or how did that work? How did you?

01:17:34 Speaker 1

We only spent one day in this camp.

01:17:37 Speaker 2

OK.

01:17:38 Speaker 1

'Cause we were involved.

01:17:42 Speaker 1

In attack.

01:17:43 Speaker 2

Oh yeah.

01:17:44 Speaker 1

So we took off on.

01:17:46 Speaker 1

Next objective.

01:17:49 Speaker 1

With the infantry, you just don't stay and enjoy.

01:17:55 Speaker 1

Much of any 'cause you're moving.

01:17:58 Speaker 1

Uh.

01:18:02 Speaker 1

No.

01:18:03 Speaker 1

Most people don't realize.

01:18:06 Speaker 1

In World War Two, in a combat division like the 80th Division.

01:18:15 Speaker 1

That.

01:18:18 Speaker 1

Only about 14% of that division actually.

01:18:23 Speaker 1

Shot or were shot at only about 14% the other.

01:18:30 Speaker 1

65 or 75% of the division were in support.

01:18:36 Speaker 1

You see you in the division, you have artillery like I was in. You didn't have very, very many casualties in artillery.

01:18:46 Speaker 1

They just didn't get very many because they're remember 2345 miles behind.

01:18:53 Speaker 2

Uh.

01:18:54 Speaker 1

You have quartermaster, you have headquarters.

01:18:58 Speaker 1

You have supply. All these people are supporting the infantryman.

01:19:06 Speaker 1

Who make up only about 14%.

01:19:10 Speaker 1

70% of the casualty occurred right there in the infantry.

01:19:16 Speaker 2

Alright, it's all making sense now.

01:19:20 Speaker 1

Do you know how you could get out of combat?

01:19:25 Speaker 1

You couldn't.

01:19:27 Speaker 1

We all do that.

01:19:30 Speaker 1

In in World War 2.

01:19:32 Speaker 1

New Hampshire division we.

01:19:33 Speaker 1

We couldn't get out. The only way you can.

01:19:37 Speaker 1

Out of your unpleasant experiences is to get killed, to get wounded, to get captured.

01:19:47 Speaker 1

To have trench foot to have battle fatigue.

01:19:52 Speaker 1

Get injured or killed by friendly fire.

01:19:56 Speaker 1

Generally that'd be artillery fire or an accident.

01:20:00 Speaker 1

He was driving a Jeep and the Jeep overturned.

01:20:03 Speaker 1

Got killed or injured?

01:20:05 Speaker 1

Those are the only ways you could get out otherwise.

01:20:10 Speaker 1

You're stuck and we see some of that today.

01:20:15 Speaker 1

In Iraq.

01:20:18 Speaker 1

We're beginning to question the morale of the soldiers.

01:20:23 Speaker 1

In Iraq, there's 123 kill about almost everyday and this is wearing.

01:20:37 Speaker 1

And the third Infantry division that's in Iraq suffers casualties.

01:20:46 Speaker 1

So those troops.

01:20:50 Speaker 1

Are beginning to realize. When do I get out of here and gets at home?

01:20:55 Speaker 1

And we'd love to get him out of there, but we'd have to replace him with more.

01:21:02 Speaker 1

And we still have a whole great lot to replace with.

01:21:07 Speaker 2

Were you ever injured?

01:21:09 Speaker 2

In the war, were you ever.

01:21:11 Speaker 1

And journey.

01:21:12 Speaker 2

Yeah, injured like have.

01:21:13 Speaker 1

Nope, never did.

01:21:17 Speaker 1

Uh, suffer a?

01:21:19 Speaker 1

Never did get a Purple Heart.

01:21:22 Speaker 1

I had two brothers in the infantry in Europe. Neither one of them.

01:21:30 Speaker 1

Ever got a wound?

01:21:31 Speaker 1

And they saw even more action than I did.

01:21:36 Speaker 1

So we three brothers were very fortunate.

01:21:38 Speaker 2

Yeah, I that's lucky, isn't it?

01:21:42 Speaker 1

Yes it is.

01:21:45 Speaker 2

How did you, uh, stay in touch with your family while overseas with you? Or do you not?

01:21:51 Speaker 1

Well, airmail.

01:21:55 Speaker 1

This was a little letter.

01:21:59 Speaker 1

Bernice received him.

01:22:00 Speaker 1

These were little.

01:22:01 Speaker 1

What about four by 6 inches?

01:22:06 Speaker 1

Two page.

01:22:09 Speaker 1

Lightweight and you could write what you wanted and mail them as often as you wanted.

01:22:15 Speaker 1

It be picked up and flowing back.

01:22:19 Speaker 1

To the United States.

01:22:22 Speaker 1

So weight was a factor.

01:22:24 Speaker 1

And of course, they had to be censored.

01:22:28 Speaker 2

So do many of do you have any of?

01:22:31 Speaker 2

'S letters that you have.

01:22:33 Speaker 1

Yes.

01:22:34 Speaker 2

And where are there?

01:22:35 Speaker 13

I do.

01:22:35 Speaker 1

I have all of her letters A/C.

01:22:38 Speaker 1

No, I have that's backwards.

01:22:40 Speaker 1

I don't.

01:22:41 Speaker 1

Any of her letters she sent me.

01:22:43 Speaker 1

She has all of mine.

01:22:45 Speaker 2

Yeah. And are there when you came back after the war, were you surprised?

01:22:49 Speaker 2

To see what they.

01:22:51 Speaker 2

Blocked out.

01:22:53 Speaker 2

And so.

01:22:53 Speaker 1

Yeah, Bernice is a great saver.

01:22:57 Speaker 1

And she saved all my letters. And after the war.

01:23:02 Speaker 1

Really, after I'd retired from.

01:23:06 Speaker 1

Eagle School Corporation.

01:23:09 Speaker 1

She took all these letters and typed them, put them in a in a book.

01:23:16 Speaker 1

Notebook.

01:23:17 Speaker 2

What's it really mean?

01:23:19 Speaker 1

And.

01:23:23 Speaker 1

They were.

01:23:25 Speaker 1

Oh, there was some love letters in there and I had a lot of lot of them.

01:23:32 Speaker 1

I described some of the action.

01:23:36 Speaker 2

Did.

01:23:37 Speaker 2

Were you married before you went to the war?

01:23:40 Speaker 1

Yes.

01:23:41 Speaker 2

Did you get married right before you went or how?

01:23:44 Speaker 1

Yes.

01:23:46 Speaker 2

So you just wanted to?

01:23:47 Speaker 1

We were married about 5 months before I went overseas.

01:23:52 Speaker 2

And do you have any children yet?

01:23:54 Speaker 1

No, we didn't have any children.

01:23:55

Yeah.

01:23:56 Speaker 1

Before I went over after return, we had five.

01:24:03 Speaker 2

Did you have plenty of?

01:24:05 Speaker 2

Do you ever feel like you needed other stuff?

01:24:09 Speaker 1

Yes, we were well equipped.

01:24:13 Speaker 1

We had ammunition.

01:24:20 Speaker 1

We had no problem.

01:24:22 Speaker 1

We would have the infantry would have some problem with rations.

01:24:28 Speaker 1

During combat, you very suddenly got a hot meal.

01:24:31 Speaker 2

Right.

01:24:33 Speaker 1

Once in a while, they'd bring up the cooks, would prepare the meal back behind the lines and put them in what we call alimite cans.

01:24:44 Speaker 1

They're insulated.

01:24:46 Speaker 1

That's supposed to keep.

01:24:48 Speaker 1

Food hot or food cold, as the case may be, and they fry up some pancakes and put them in the olive cans and.

01:24:57 Speaker 1

And Jelly or orange marmalade. And that was used to spread on. But they were always cold with the time we got them.

01:25:08 Speaker 1

I eat a lot of Kay.

01:25:11 Speaker 2

And what is that?

01:25:14 Speaker 1

K ration comes in a box about that long.

01:25:18 Speaker 1

That wide and that thick.

01:25:20

And.

01:25:21 Speaker 1

I can tell you everything that's in AK ration box. I've made record of.

01:25:28 Speaker 1

Yeah, here it is.

01:25:30 Speaker 1

K ration.

01:25:33 Speaker 1

It had either breakfast, lunch or dinner.

01:25:37 Speaker 1

Types and what made it distinguished between a breakfast, lunch or dinner was whether it had a can of meat or meat and cheese or meat and eggs.

01:25:47 Speaker 1

Meat and eggs was.

01:25:49 Speaker 1

Meat and cheese was lunch and.

01:25:52 Speaker 1

Meat was dinner.

01:25:54 Speaker 1

You had biscuits, crackers, dextrose tablets, instant coffee, instant lemon juice, fruit bar, chocolate bar, bullion, sugar tablets, chewing gum.

01:26:08 Speaker 1

Cigarettes and toilet paper.

01:26:11 Speaker 1

Have it all be in this box.

01:26:15 Speaker 1

And it was supposed to have furnished you with 3200 calories.

01:26:21 Speaker 2

Was it?

01:26:21 Speaker 16

Was it good?

01:26:23 Speaker 1

Well, when you're hungry, Alex, you don't get fussy or whatever you can eat.

01:26:30 Speaker 1

Glad to get it.

01:26:31 Speaker 2

Yeah, I I couldn't imagine.

01:26:32 Speaker 1

It it wasn't like a hot meal, but I always got along OK with Kay Russians.

01:26:43 Speaker 36

Get chocolate bars.

01:26:45 Speaker 1

For. Oh, well, that's never used money. That's after that was when I was in occupation.

01:26:52 Speaker 1

You barter for.

01:26:53 Speaker 1

Cigarettes. The Germans all wanted cigarettes, so you could take a pack of cigarettes.

01:27:00 Speaker 1

And get about anything you wanted. It's worth about \$35 in US money.

01:27:07 Speaker 1

A pack of cigarettes.

01:27:09 Speaker 1

We would get people.

01:27:12 Speaker 1

To clean up our quarters or in my case, after the war in office, no charge.

01:27:22 Speaker 1

All they wanted were the cigarette butts.

01:27:25 Speaker 2

Oh my gosh.

01:27:26 Speaker 2

So were you like, did everyone smoke in the?

01:27:30 Speaker 2

That.

01:27:30 Speaker 1

I'm sorry to say it looked like about everybody.

01:27:34 Speaker 1

Yeah, cigarettes and all. This came about from watching the movies in the 40s, 'cause every actress and actor sat around with cigarette.

01:27:46 Speaker 1

Did you ever see?

01:27:47 Speaker 2

Oh yeah.

01:27:48 Speaker 1

Old movie everybody's smoking.

01:27:51 Speaker 1

So and we could get cigarettes in combat.

01:27:55 Speaker 1

Our K ration would have 5 cigarettes in it.

01:28:00 Speaker 1

And a little box.

01:28:02 Speaker 1

Every day you could get those.

01:28:05 Speaker 1

Sulfur something else to?

01:28:07 Speaker 1

You got. I got the smoking cigarettes.

01:28:10 Speaker 2

Yeah, the philosophy.

01:28:11 Speaker 1

'Cause you could get them.

01:28:12

Yeah.

01:28:14 Speaker 37

The occupation for a year.

01:28:17 Speaker 1

Yeah, I was over in Germany a year and.

01:28:18 Speaker 1

Half.

01:28:20 Speaker 2

After.

01:28:20 Speaker 1

The war.

01:28:21 Speaker 1

I after the war I spent a little over a year in occupation.

01:28:25 Speaker 2

OK.

01:28:27 Speaker 2

So was it difficult being away from?

01:28:30 Speaker 2

For so long, like how long exactly were you going for?

01:28:35 Speaker 1

We were apart about a year and a half.

01:28:38 Speaker 2

OK.

01:28:39 Speaker 1

Yeah, it's.

01:28:42 Speaker 1

When you're in love, I mean to tell you the days and nights can get long.

01:28:48 Speaker 1

That right, Anne?

01:28:52 Speaker 8

Tell them about your about the.

01:28:56 Speaker 1

Well, this is shifting gears. They're talking to me about combat.

01:29:02 Speaker 2

It's fine.

01:29:03 Speaker 1

Well, after the war I went down to river era Con France for.

01:29:10 Speaker 1

Recreation.

01:29:12 Speaker 1

And rest R&R.

01:29:14 Speaker 20

Uh.

01:29:15 Speaker 1

And spend 10 days down.

01:29:18 Speaker 1

Man, that was a change from what flew down in ADC 3.

01:29:26 Speaker 1

And flew back in ADC 3.

01:29:29 Speaker 1

Spent a 10 days of rear area cones, France.

01:29:34 Speaker 31

About 9:00.

01:29:36 Speaker 1

Oh man.

01:29:38 Speaker 38

Princess Grace.

01:29:39 Speaker 2

Oh.

01:29:41 Speaker 2

Oh wow.

01:29:41 Speaker 1

Yeah, that's weird facts.

01:29:44 Speaker 1

I know I didn't go there, but I was on the hill above it and I have a picture of it.

01:29:50 Speaker 1

Looking down on it. Wow.

01:29:52 Speaker 2

So when you came home from the war, what was the feeling of everything? Like when you, like, came home off the ship or were?

01:30:01 Speaker 2

What? How did you feel?

01:30:03 Speaker 1

It's hard to describe that feeling now.

01:30:05 Speaker 1

I was elated. Thankful.

01:30:11 Speaker 1

Bitter. Sarcastic.

01:30:14 Speaker 1

Separated at Camp Atterbury.

01:30:18 Speaker 1

But when I came home, I was a little bit bitter and sarcastic.

01:30:25 Speaker 1

Because I can see where all the casualties were.

01:30:31 Speaker 1

And I also knew that.

01:30:34 Speaker 1

The people in the United States had didn't have a clue what war was about, actually the suffering.

01:30:45 Speaker 1

Can you imagine the Germans and all they under under?

01:30:51 Speaker 1

Went in all the bombings.

01:30:54 Speaker 1

Men, women and children killed by the thousands.

01:30:58 Speaker 1

I don't whether you've ever well.

01:31:01 Speaker 1

Sometimes, to hear a bomb coming, screaming it, it sounds like it's going to hit you on the head.

01:31:11 Speaker 1

And it's devastating and I don't know how those people ever.

01:31:17 Speaker 1

Stood.

01:31:19 Speaker 1

Oh, in the United States, what we have is rationing.

01:31:25 Speaker 1

We had what AB and C coupons.

01:31:30 Speaker 1

And everybody wanted to see coupon.

01:31:32 Speaker 1

You can get more, but everything was rationed.

01:31:36 Speaker 1

Was.

01:31:36 Speaker 1

Meat was.

01:31:37 Speaker 1

Shoes were rationed, gas was rationed.

01:31:43 Speaker 1

I don't know. I never did.

01:31:45 Speaker 1

I was never here and had a rationing card like your folks did. My folks.

01:31:55 Speaker 1

But.

01:31:57 Speaker 1

But we we had mothers.

01:32:01 Speaker 1

Olds are mothers who lost sons.

01:32:05 Speaker 1

Now they knew what war was about without ever being in it.

01:32:12 Speaker 1

And I should say mothers, but fathers too, and brothers and sisters.

01:32:18 Speaker 2

So when you when you came back from the war, was that the end of the war?

01:32:23 Speaker 2

Did you come back when the war had ended?

01:32:26 Speaker 2

The United States had won.

01:32:28 Speaker 2

Is that when you came back?

01:32:31 Speaker 1

The war ended May 7, 1945, and I didn't come back until June of 1946.

01:32:40 Speaker 1

Because I spent one year in occupation.

01:32:44

I.

01:32:46 Speaker 1

You only get so many points in combat.

01:32:50 Speaker 1

The length of service, whether it's combat service, whether you got a Purple Heart or Bronze star or some other.

01:32:58 Speaker 1

Medal you have.

01:33:00 Speaker 1

All these and you got points.

01:33:03 Speaker 1

But if you had enough points, you got to come home with your division. The 80th Entrance Division came home without me because I did not have enough points.

01:33:13 Speaker 2

Oh.

01:33:14 Speaker 1

I had 58 points.

01:33:16 Speaker 2

And how did you need?

01:33:18 Speaker 1

Oh, I don't.

01:33:19 Speaker 1

I think around 75.

01:33:22 Speaker 1

To come home with a hamster division.

01:33:26 Speaker 2

But when you came home, it was a great feeling so.

01:33:30 Speaker 1

Oh, yes, yes.

01:33:31 Speaker 2

Was your wife waiting for you?

01:33:34 Speaker 1

Sure.

01:33:35

Right. Umm.

01:33:36 Speaker 2

After all those long quad.

01:33:38 Speaker 1

Sure.

01:33:43 Speaker 2

What did you do in the occupational?

01:33:47 Speaker 2

And the after the war.

01:33:49 Speaker 1

We made sure that the Germans didn't get reorganized or the communists didn't take over. We just guarded it.

01:34:01 Speaker 1

Small towns, largest towns.

01:34:05 Speaker 1

We just occupied and became a police force is what we did.

01:34:11 Speaker 2

Kind of like what they're doing in Iraq.

01:34:13 Speaker 2

You kind of compare that.

01:34:15 Speaker 1

Yes, kind of like that with one exception.

01:34:19 Speaker 1

In Iraq, they're still getting killed.

01:34:22 Speaker 1

Oh, we did not suffer from the Germans.

01:34:28 Speaker 1

And of course, Russia was our ally then, of course.

01:34:32 Speaker 1

But we we.

01:34:34 Speaker 1

We would did not get uptight about getting.

01:34:38 Speaker 1

Some fanatic tying a bomb around him and getting into barracks and killing us.

01:34:43

We.

01:34:43 Speaker 1

Didn't experience any of that like they are in Iraq.

01:34:47 Speaker 2

OK.

01:34:49 Speaker 2

Umm so then you came back home after your occupational after helping out the Germans get back in order and all that.

01:34:56 Speaker 2

What did you do when you came home?

01:34:58 Speaker 2

Did you go back to school or and did you live in the same place?

01:35:00 Speaker 1

Yes.

01:35:04 Speaker 2

Just start right back up where you left off or how.

01:35:07 Speaker 2

How did that?

01:35:08 Speaker 1

I had one semester to go at Purdue.

01:35:14 Speaker 1

And so I got home in June 46, and that fall I enrolled at Purdue University.

01:35:23 Speaker 1

And got my degree. My Bachelor of Science and I graduated on.

01:35:31 Speaker 1

February last year, January I think it was.

01:35:35 Speaker 1

Well, on Groundhog Day is when I came to Zionsville.

01:35:41 Speaker 1

1947 I graduated the day before it was. I came down here on Groundhog Day.

01:35:47 Speaker 1

February 2nd.

01:35:49 Speaker 2

OK. And did you have you always had this house or where do you live?

01:35:54 Speaker 1

No.

01:35:58 Speaker 1

We live down on downtown Cedar St.

01:36:02 Speaker 39

Down the corner.

01:36:03 Speaker 1

Well.

01:36:04 Speaker 8

We set up housekeeping on the.

01:36:06

Corner of oak.

01:36:07 Speaker 9

Which is 3.

01:36:10 Speaker 2

History, OK.

01:36:12 Speaker 1

But we live before that with Bernard Clayton, who is the editor of the Zionsville paper.

01:36:21 Speaker 1

We live with him.

01:36:23 Speaker 2

You lived with him.

01:36:25 Speaker 1

Yes, his wife had visited, was visiting her son in Honolulu.

01:36:29 Speaker 2

Wow.

01:36:30 Speaker 1

So Bernice became the.

01:36:32 Speaker 1

Cook for Bernard Clayton.

01:36:36 Speaker 1

Use a crusty individual.

01:36:39 Speaker 1

Then we lived on Cedar St. which the house is still there, has an iron fence around which I put a little Gray bungalow.

01:36:50 Speaker 1

And then we live 13 years where the Nature Center is now.

01:36:57 Speaker 1

My family lived there for 13 years in that house. Wow.

01:37:02 Speaker 1

But they have added a room.

01:37:06 Speaker 1

Area to that house, but the original house is still there that we lived in.

01:37:13 Speaker 2

So then you had five children. And how old are they now?

01:37:16 Speaker 1

Yes.

01:37:18 Speaker 2

Are they growing up and?

01:37:20 Speaker 1

Oh yeah, they're all on their own.

01:37:21 Speaker 2

How do you have children?

01:37:23 Speaker 1

Sure, the oldest is an engineer, the Daimler Chrysler.

01:37:29 Speaker 1

He's thinking about retiring.

01:37:31 Speaker 1

About 55.

01:37:34 Speaker 1

And I have a daughter who teaches down there at the.

01:37:39 Speaker 1

My son is a General Motors.

01:37:43 Speaker 1

G Miss graduate.

01:37:46 Speaker 1

And that's.

01:37:47 Speaker 1

A work.

01:37:50 Speaker 1

That's a work school program. You go to school for six weeks and then you work for six.

01:37:56 Speaker 1

And you did that for five years, graduated from there.

01:38:01 Speaker 1

Then his grades were good enough that he could choose any place he wanted to go for his masters.

01:38:07 Speaker 1

He went to University of Michigan, got his master because he had met her Michigan girl there.

01:38:14 Speaker 1

That's what was the basis of his selection.

01:38:18 Speaker 1

And he's still there.

01:38:20 Speaker 2

And.

01:38:20 Speaker 20

Yeah.

01:38:20 Speaker 1

He married her.

01:38:23 Speaker 1

Elaine, my daughter is a Ball State grad.

01:38:25 Speaker 1

Teaches 9th Pyke Elementary.

01:38:28 Speaker 1

Eloise is a Ball State grad.

01:38:31 Speaker 1

She's a retired dietitian at Springfield, IL.

01:38:36 Speaker 1

I have a daughter who got her MRIMRS degree at Purdue.

01:38:42 Speaker 1

Took her almost two years to get it.

01:38:45 Speaker 1

And she's now in living in Oregon.

01:38:50 Speaker 1

And has two children and my youngest son is a single parent.

01:38:55 Speaker 1

One year at Indiana State and he lives Whitestown.

01:39:35 Speaker 33

City history is concerned the four time Indy winners named did come up a couple of times in our quest to pinpoint the best.

01:39:43 Speaker 39

Obviously his record speaks for itself here at the Speedway and you know, just he had a way about him. You know, he knew what was driving these cars, how to how to be where he wanted to be, right, you know, right at the right at the right time.

01:39:54 Speaker 25

Finger he's not.

01:39:55 Speaker 25

Otherwise, we'll be in trouble.

01:39:57 Speaker 33

At least those driving Indycars would be in trouble much the same way guys on the stock car circuit.

01:40:03 Speaker 33

Would be hurting if the king was still running laps.

01:40:07 Speaker 34

I'm gonna be biased with Richard Petty. So that's.

01:40:09 Speaker 34

So let's take him out of the equation and look at everybody else 'cause I say.

01:40:13 Speaker 33

Him straight up. Petty Senior's record garner serious consideration. But even the king admits there are uncertainties in naming him. Best of the best.

01:40:23 Speaker 1

You know, when it comes to all forms of racing, I don't know. 'cause. I never run anything.

01:40:26 Speaker 33

Neither did Dale Earnhardt, which could explain this answer by Dale Junior.

01:40:33 Speaker 40

It's a toss up between maybe.

01:40:36 Speaker 40

My father, Michael Schumacher, if I could have both of them, I'd I'd have the hell. Hell of a race.

01:40:41 Speaker 40

Because you know, between the two of them, you'd win pretty much everything. You sat down in depends on the track in the car.

01:40:48 Speaker 40

Them two guys right. There were probably the best we've ever seen.

01:40:51 Speaker 33

Not everyone's so sure.

01:40:54 Speaker 34

I look at guys who could drive open wheel, could drive stock cars, could drive dirt, could drive asphalt, could drive Rd. courses.

01:41:01 Speaker 34

And one.

01:41:01 Speaker 21

But you got the maroon jetty and AJ Foy here on the IndyCar side.

01:41:05 Speaker 21

Those are kind of the guys that that did it all and you know Mario and AJ, they drove stock cars and Indy cars.

01:41:11 Speaker 21

I've kind of followed my career through those guys.

01:41:14 Speaker 10

Definitely got to pick Floyd as one of the favorites.

01:41:16 Speaker 10

You know, that guy's got pretty awesome.

01:41:19 Speaker 26

Guess I was pretty good.

01:41:19 Speaker 26

I don't know.

01:41:20 Speaker 26

I won a lot of races, but he's going to say you could have competed with them.

01:41:23 Speaker 26

People and you know, like all the people saying, well, this was a greatest driver here. This is greatest driver there.

01:41:29 Speaker 26

Don't look at that.

01:41:30 Speaker 26

I'm just glad to be among someone.

01:41:32 Speaker 33

As is Mario, who was the one guy to receive staunch support from both IndyCar and Winston Cup drivers?

01:41:40 Speaker 40

Just read the record.

01:41:41 Speaker 40

I mean, it's obvious what he you know what he did and every car that he got in.

01:41:44 Speaker 28

He was faster won. I think I drew inspiration for many.

01:41:48 Speaker 28

Many I early on was Alberto Scari, but I looked up to, you know, the master looked up to boy. I looked up to lot of people and.

01:41:59 Speaker 28

And I think that's how you draw inspiration as you go on in your.

01:42:03 Speaker 33

Career if you read enough into Andretti comment you understand his true genius from Mirs and Floyd to Unser and Unsurpr, from Petty and Earnhardt and Gordon to Andretti, Castro, Nevis and Schumacher.

01:42:04

I.

01:42:10

I.

01:42:19 Speaker 33

There lies plenty of room for awe and admiration.

01:42:22 Speaker 33

But if we didn't put one driver above the fray, this story wouldn't be quite as fun.

01:42:27 Speaker 33

So who does rank as best of the best?

01:42:31 Speaker 41

Ayrton Senna.

01:42:32 Speaker 30

Ayrton Senna.

01:42:33 Speaker 40

I never got to see Aaron Center run much, but you hear a lot about him possibly being the greatest Formula One driver ever.

01:42:39 Speaker 26

He would have to see him drive to understand why. You know, the guy was that special.

01:42:45 Speaker 41

And he do almost whatever he had to do to win almost in the Gray area of, you know, running the guy off the road or whatever it took sometimes to win the race and just that passion that, that, that desire to win is what sort of impresses me.

01:43:00 Speaker 33

Well, there you have it, Ericson.

01:43:02 Speaker 33

Now this of course by no means is any kind of official.

01:43:06 Speaker 33

It was just myself asking a few of the drivers, but I probably surveyed nearly 40 drivers on both sides between the IRL and Winston Cup and send his name came up from.

01:43:17 Speaker 33

At least 1/3 of.

01:43:18 Speaker 33

So obviously some pretty strong votes. And Steve Rogi, I know, you know racing about as well as anybody I've ever met.

01:43:24 Speaker 33

Would you agree with that taker or how would you rank some of these guys?

01:43:28 Speaker 42

Foyt was right when he said it's virtually impossible to pick one.

01:43:33 Speaker 42

Certainly a good one to pick you. You look though at the guys who did it in a variety of disciplines like Kyle Petty pointed out there, I think he was absolutely right for that.

01:43:42 Speaker 42

You look at Floyd.

01:43:43 Speaker 42

You look at Mario Andretti, you certainly look at Mark Donahue, who was one.

01:43:49 Speaker 42

Road racers of all.

01:43:50 Speaker 42

Probably the best American Rd. racer of all time.

01:43:53 Speaker 42

And then also one here on the Oval at the speed.

01:43:56 Speaker 42

I go all the way back to Barney Oldfield, who was barnstorming and then went into racing on dirt, on asphalt, on cinder, on pavement, on brick, you name it. I, I mean, from from year to year.

01:44:09 Speaker 42

Difficult to say. Chris Hagen joins us now. Chris, how about you?

01:44:13 Speaker 42

You have an opinion on the the greatest ever.

01:44:15 Speaker 43

Well, obviously it's got to be lake speed for my home state of.

01:44:18 Speaker 43

I'm surprised nobody brought him up in this whole ordeal, but hey, one guy will be talking about probably in years to come.

01:44:25 Speaker 43

Mr. Elio Castro, nevers. He was denied his historic 3P today, but very gracious in defeat.

01:44:31 Speaker 43

Well, if you call 2nd place a defeat for this guy after the race, I caught up with him and here's what he had to.

01:44:36 Speaker 43

It.

01:44:38 Speaker 43

Actually, we'll come to that in just a bit. I can tell you he was a heck of a guy.

01:44:42 Speaker 43

Very polite, very cordial. Given all the credit to his good buddy Jill de Faron.

01:44:46 Speaker 43

Two guys who years from now, will measure their place in history and I'm sure they'll be mentioned among the very best. In the meantime, let's go back to you guys upstairs.

01:44:54 Speaker 42

You know, Chris, maybe we.

01:44:56 Speaker 42

We can talk to Chris here for just a second.

01:44:58 Speaker 42

Uh Elio? Castro. Nevis. Real.

01:45:01 Speaker 42

Chris, you you talked to Castro Nevis. You saw him up there celebrating with Roger Penske and Jill de Ferran looked extremely genuine, very happy that his team made it and his mentor at times was able to pick up this win today.

01:45:15 Speaker 43

Oh, that's.

01:45:15 Speaker 43

He was like we said, it was obviously going to be happy the past two years when he was here and won, he was a a great champion and even and better, as we said in defeat. Now we do have that tape ready.

01:45:25 Speaker 43

See what he had to say from the man himself.

01:45:28 Speaker 25

Well, it's.

01:45:28 Speaker 25

Well, it's. I'm happy for the team.

01:45:30 Speaker 25

All of.

01:45:30 Speaker 25

You and I want to be a true man to a point of going to be another driver, but.

01:45:34 Speaker 25

My teammate is the team that's winning.

01:45:36 Speaker 25

And and again.

01:45:38 Speaker 25

1st and 2nd.

01:45:40 Speaker 25

Now it was my turn to be second.

01:45:43 Speaker 25

Again, it's a shame.

01:45:44 Speaker 25

Especially because so close to make history, you know.

01:45:48 Speaker 25

Hey, the team deserve.

01:45:49 Speaker 25

The guys did an excellent job and now we're going to go celebrate you.

01:45:52 Speaker 43

Did you feel like you had something form?

01:45:54 Speaker 43

That last restart.

01:45:55 Speaker 25

We're there, but unfortunately the yellow keep coming and because of those situations, you never had a traffic and my car was very good on the traffic and I knew if I had a chance on those situations, would it be a really interesting deal but.

01:45:59

I.

01:46:09 Speaker 25

Hey, now it's over.

01:46:10 Speaker 25

Now we go for.

01:46:11 Speaker 25

Next one and hope for the championship.

01:46:14 Speaker 25

Thank you.

01:46:16 Speaker 43

So there you have it. Elio catcher and have a second place.

01:46:19 Speaker 43

Not too shabby, and he will indeed be back next year to try to make it 3 out of four.

01:46:23 Speaker 43

Not too bad. He's been here three years. Two first.

01:46:25 Speaker 43

The second place you can't complain about that guys.

01:46:28 Speaker 43

To.

01:46:28 Speaker 43

Upstairs to you.

01:46:29 Speaker 7

Yeah, you can't complain about that at.

01:46:31 Speaker 7

And in fact, Elio almost joined some of the greatest drivers all time. If he would have, in fact.

01:46:37 Speaker 7

Had the 3P.

01:46:38 Speaker 42

Today be the only one.

01:46:39 Speaker 7

Yeah.

01:46:40 Speaker 7

Hey, time to take another break. When we come back, we'll check in once again with Dave Benz and Charlotte, of course.

01:46:45 Speaker 7

More on today's 87th running of the Indianapolis 500.

01:46:49 Speaker 7

Go away.

01:46:58 Speaker 15

It said it's working.

01:46:58 Speaker 44

See how 1 great meteorologist with the most powerful weather.

01:47:02 Speaker 44

You enact forecast, but #1 newscast in prime time, age 20, something. Wait not telling owns a PAT 1 watches Fox 59 am the other.

01:47:03 Speaker 17

Here at.

01:47:06 Speaker 44

59.

01:47:17 Speaker 44

Dozens Fox 59 am are you watching?

01:47:20 Speaker 44

Give us a try and we'll make your morning in more ways than one.

01:47:25 Speaker 3

Oh.

01:47:28 Speaker 32

Lift the Durant.

01:47:31 Speaker 12

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01:47:40 Speaker 20

I.

01:47:51 Speaker 12

Visit one soon and discover how to live the dura difference.

01:47:53

None.

01:47:55 Speaker 32

I.

01:47:56 Speaker 16

Yes.

01:48:01 Speaker 15

Boy.

01:48:02 Speaker 37

You sure got stuff.

01:48:04 Speaker 37

Where do you put it all?

01:48:10

Music.

01:48:14 Speaker 37

The.

01:48:16 Speaker 37

What your Nissan dealer show you a new Murano at 32536.

01:48:21 Speaker 37

Got nothing to hide.

01:48:23 Speaker 37

You might, of course, Nissan Murano.

01:48:30 Speaker 7

Welcome back to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for Phoenix Race 8. Wrap up show and I tell you what, it was a great day here. Steve. I tell you what one one guy that really haven't touched on too much was Thomas Schecter.

01:48:41 Speaker 7

Mean the guy had a fantastic run today for the five.

01:48:45 Speaker 42

100th the second consecutive year that Thomas Schechter has led the most laps in this race.

01:48:51 Speaker 42

Year the race ended against.

01:48:53 Speaker 42

This year, Thomas showed some nice.

01:48:56 Speaker 42

I think he he was not in position to win at the end, but he was in position to get a top five finish and that's exactly what he came home with. A fourth place finish, a fine run today. Great points totals in terms of the season long I.

01:49:10 Speaker 42

Championship IndyCar.

01:49:12 Speaker 42

So I would think that chip.

01:49:15 Speaker 42

Chip really likes to win.

01:49:17 Speaker 42

I think he would have to be pretty happy with Thomas Checkers effort today.

01:49:21 Speaker 7

Yeah.

01:49:22 Speaker 7

We'll let's bring in Dave Benz and Chris Hagen for a little round table time here on the Fox 59 race.

01:49:28 Speaker 7

Wrap up show and.

01:49:30 Speaker 7

Hey, Dave, we were talking in the break here.

01:49:32 Speaker 7

We know that obviously the drivers that want to pull the double, obviously Robbie Gordon has done a Tony Stewart. John Andretti. Were there any there may not have been but were there any drivers that when they saw your Indianapolis shirt there that maybe?

01:49:38 Speaker 42

I understand.

01:49:46 Speaker 7

About it or other people were talking about maybe showing some interest in wanting, wanting to pull the double.

01:49:52 Speaker 33

You know, really that was a topic that didn't come up.

01:49:55 Speaker 33

I did talk to some other drivers during the week about what they thought about Robbie was doing and a lot of them thought he was.

01:50:01 Speaker 33

There was talk that, you know, when Tony Stewart did it, the year when he had two top 10s in both races, that he had pretty much collapsed in his trailer after the fact, so.

01:50:10 Speaker 33

I think a lot of them realize that it's not an easy thing to do, but I will give you 1 little interesting.

01:50:14 Speaker 33

One of the guys who works at the Fox station down here, who we've been working with all week, told us that he actually left his station, which is downtown Charlotte probably.

01:50:25 Speaker 33

Maybe about 10 Mile drive, I would say from from the Speedway here said he left when Robbie was knocked out of the race at Indy to come here and that when he by the time he arrived at the track, Gordon was already in his car out on P.

01:50:39 Speaker 33

Road. So just give you a little idea of how tough it was to get here today and Robbie, actually.

01:50:46 Speaker 33

Pretty good time getting to the track today.

01:50:48 Speaker 33

Know one.

01:50:49 Speaker 33

I want to talk to you guys about it that I missed out.

01:50:52 Speaker 33

On the end of the race, where did Sam Hornish?

01:50:55 Speaker 33

I know that he was having a spectacular day in the Chevy and I'm just curious as to how he finished up and and rogey.

01:51:02 Speaker 33

I.

01:51:02 Speaker 33

I know that he was having a great.

01:51:04 Speaker 33

Hopefully he finished strong and not bad considering the handicap the Chevy started out with.

01:51:08 Speaker 42

Well, no question. We bring Chris Hagen in now too. And Chris?

01:51:13 Speaker 42

Sam Hornish.

01:51:13 Speaker 42

I'll tell you, he was kind of the talk of the at least the the area of the pits that that I was in.

01:51:18 Speaker 42

About you have people turning and say man.

01:51:20 Speaker 42

Everybody knew what he was up against saying. Hornish is driving a heck of a race out there today.

01:51:24 Speaker 43

Well, everybody loves an underdog and that was the case.

01:51:26 Speaker 43

Everybody rooting for Sam and his little Chevy there and what a great.

01:51:30 Speaker 43

Unfortunately, less than 5 laps to go, he blows that thing out and he was done.

01:51:35 Speaker 43

Did a nifty bit of driving he he was kind of crafty leading up to the race, saying he was going to try to outthink the guys and do the best and.

01:51:41 Speaker 43

Team had a great strategy, a great.

01:51:43 Speaker 43

It was working to perfection. Would have been a tremendous accomplishment.

01:51:46 Speaker 43

Home top 10.

01:51:47 Speaker 43

Couldn't get it done, but Dave talking earlier about possible other drivers pulling.

01:51:51 Speaker 43

Double earlier today, Larry Foyt, who was here for the beginning of the.

01:51:55 Speaker 43

He talked about trying to do it next year, but unfortunately for Robert Gordon, not very successful, didn't complete the race here.

01:52:01 Speaker 43

Then he gets down there to Charlotte.

01:52:02 Speaker 43

A lap down.

01:52:03 Speaker 43

He was very.

01:52:04 Speaker 43

They talked to him afterwards. He said he wanted that thing to go.

01:52:07 Speaker 43

He wanted to finish on a positive note but can't be happy with either finish today.

01:52:12 Speaker 42

Well, you know, Chris, Robbie, Gordon doing the double today.

01:52:16 Speaker 42

Sam Hornish telling you he may be doing it next year brings up a big question and one that I know a lot of IndyCar fans don't necessarily want to face.

01:52:27 Speaker 42

The last star created by this series was Tony.

01:52:29 Speaker 42

He is now the Winston Cup champion and Sam Hornish has certainly been a star created by this series with two consecutive IndyCar championships and you got to wonder if he's going to stick around next year. Absolutely, absolutely.

01:52:43 Speaker 7

You know another guy that we haven't really touched on?

01:52:46 Speaker 7

It's not yet Scott Sharp yet, you know, obviously kind of a not a disappointing end of the race to him, but he also lost the points lead in the IndyCar Series.

01:52:55 Speaker 7

You know he not a good day for sharp and a lot of people thought.

01:52:58 Speaker 7

Was going to have a good day, Scott.

01:53:00 Speaker 42

Has always had difficulty here and I think it's fair to say that he's had his share of incidents.

01:53:07 Speaker 42

I think his his best finish here was 10th and.

01:53:36 Speaker 31

Yeah, yeah, I remember now.

01:53:38 Speaker 31

Last time I saw Jimmy, he was still on the ground tugging.

01:53:40 Speaker 31

His junk wasn't his junk.

01:53:42 Speaker 9

It was someone else's.

01:53:43 Speaker 31

Well, why are you talking to me, man?

01:53:45 Speaker 31

Because the only rig I got is my own.

01:53:49 Speaker 17

We done? If not.

01:53:56 Speaker 10

You know what?

01:53:57 Speaker 22

I'll take this one.

01:54:01 Speaker 23

Let me guess, citizen Ned doesn't want to get involved.

01:54:05 Speaker 22

Crap scares the crap out of the guy.

01:54:08 Speaker 23

Well, I guess he doesn't want to be seen.

01:54:09 Speaker 23

To us, boiled down.

01:54:12 Speaker 22

Basically, he said, Kraft and the Victoria had a pretty bad history.

01:54:16 Speaker 23

Yeah, it's becoming really clear.

01:54:18 Speaker 23

This out.

01:54:19 Speaker 23

Kraft was stealing cable from Edmonds.

01:54:21 Speaker 23

Cut the line.

01:54:22 Speaker 23

Hate thy neighbor. Did Ned mention anything about Kraft's dog?

01:54:27 Speaker 22

Way that it was always chained up in the yard and always barking.

01:54:36 Speaker 23

Starting to think the victim may have taken care of that.

01:54:41 Speaker 22

What about the tire marks?

01:54:43 Speaker 23

Not enough.

01:54:43 Speaker 23

We'd never get a match.

01:54:46 Speaker 23

We can't check crab's property out without a warrant, but.

01:54:53 Speaker 22

Oh, that won't get you a warrant either.

01:54:57 Speaker 23

You like jigsaw puzzles?

01:55:28 Speaker 34

Epithelials on the slash canopy match the ones on the sleeping bag.

01:55:31 Speaker 27

Drawstring Fred decks both places. Thank you and good nights.

01:55:37 Speaker 9

So Fred does a number on Jimmy's canopy to keep him from flying.

01:55:41 Speaker 10

He's threatened by the.

01:55:43 Speaker 10

Is to keep from getting shown up, you know.

01:55:45 Speaker 9

Vsb.

01:55:46 Speaker 9

Top dog and it sounds.

01:55:48 Speaker 9

You who you sounds like both of.

01:55:51 Speaker 36

You now please can you take us somewhere else?

01:55:53 Speaker 9

So Jimmy gets the new canopy.

01:55:57 Speaker 9

Flies, dies, comes down unattached. We got no canopy going to harness.

01:56:01 Speaker 10

We want to find out what happened.

01:56:03 Speaker 10

We need to find that rig.

01:56:04

Well.

01:56:04 Speaker 10

You're not going to find it here.

01:56:08 Speaker 25

I'm going go.

01:56:08 Speaker 9

Have you taken your medication today?

01:56:10 Speaker 38

See you.

01:56:13 Speaker 21

125 Hertz.

01:56:14 Speaker 23

-30 decibels.

01:56:16 Speaker 4

It's a significant decline from your last visit.

01:56:19 Speaker 26

Yes, but most human speech is above 300 Hertz.

01:56:22 Speaker 42

My.

01:56:22 Speaker 11

Midrange is still clear.

01:56:24 Speaker 4

If it were clear all the time, you wouldn't be here.

01:56:28 Speaker 20

I think it's time to consider something like surgery.

01:56:34 Speaker 8

Think about it. Let me know.

01:56:46 Speaker 9

Took off here and he came down here, right?

01:56:50 Speaker 10

Yeah, now the canopy is designed to soar.

01:56:53 Speaker 10

Has to fall down one of the body and at 15,000 feet, wind was northeast.

01:57:01 Speaker 10

At 22 mph.

01:57:02 Speaker 9

We'll get a little classical dynamics going on.

01:57:05 Speaker 9

Can find this rig.

01:57:14 Speaker 9

Search areas NE similar.

01:57:16 Speaker 10

Yeah, let's put on broadcast.

01:57:20 Speaker 10

Patrol unit spotted on a routine traffic stop.

01:57:25 Speaker 9

Lucked out.

01:57:30 Speaker 29

You got.

01:57:32 Speaker 27

And.

01:57:36 Speaker 10

Bingo.

01:57:41 Speaker 9

Leg loose. Arm buckled.

01:57:43 Speaker 9

This is no surprise there.

01:57:47 Speaker 10

15,000 feet up, no helmet.

01:57:49 Speaker 10

The only thing holding you in are two shoulder harnesses and a chest strap.

01:57:53 Speaker 37

About.

01:57:54 Speaker 9

The kind of rush you're looking for.

01:58:12 Speaker 9

Check this.

01:58:14 Speaker 9

Property Potassi glide center.

01:58:16 Speaker 10

That makes 2 liars.

01:58:18 Speaker 9

Weston didn't tell.

01:58:19 Speaker 9

He gave Jimmy his replacement rig 'cause.

01:58:21 Speaker 10

He knew how it would end up.

01:58:27 Speaker 10

Jimmy never had a chance, man.

01:58:29 Speaker 36

No way. I wanted to see him get his *** kicked, not killed.

01:58:33 Speaker 45

Yeah. Problem is, he did get killed.

01:58:36 Speaker 45

Flying your canopy.

01:58:38 Speaker 36

Don't know how that happened.

01:58:40 Speaker 9

So it seems the lines leading to the.

01:58:42 Speaker 9

Riser were cut.

01:58:48

I.

01:58:50 Speaker 4

The.

01:58:54 Speaker 30

Your rig.

01:58:55 Speaker 45

Your responsibility.

01:58:59 Speaker 45

This is your chance.

01:59:02 Speaker 33

I take it.

01:59:06 Speaker 36

Chris said that.

01:59:10 Speaker 36

He just wanted to teach Jimmy a lesson.

01:59:14 Speaker 45

Jimmy.

01:59:14 Speaker 31

'S going to hit you up for Academy.

01:59:16 Speaker 11

Should.

01:59:17 Speaker 31

Give him something big and small.

01:59:18 Speaker 27

I.

01:59:19 Speaker 36

Got that blue-green trainer? That ought to be fun. Perfect.

01:59:24 Speaker 36

10 minutes later, Jimmy shows up all hot.

01:59:28 Speaker 36

He asked.

01:59:29 Speaker 36

I gave. He took.

01:59:31 Speaker 9

Could let Fred get the better of him.

01:59:33 Speaker 36

Look, Jimmy lacks discipline.

01:59:37 Speaker 36

I needed to be brought down a peg or two.

01:59:41 Speaker 45

You brown all the way down.

01:59:46 Speaker 30

Oh, give me stake.

01:59:47 Speaker 30

Of.

01:59:48 Speaker 30

Lots of tender, juicy steak.

01:59:51 Speaker 30

At Applebee's lay some steak home a plate.

01:59:55 Speaker 30

Of tasty juicy steak.

01:59:57 Speaker 3

The.

01:59:58 Speaker 30

That's the steak.

02:00:00 Speaker 30

Bourbon.

02:00:00 Speaker 30

Pony Pepper, one with real blue cheese.

02:00:03 Speaker 30

Everyone's a sirloin on the way you please. The steaks and peas is waiting.

02:00:05 Speaker 2

The.

02:00:08 Speaker 30

You can't beat these at Applebee's.

02:00:13 Speaker 30

Eating good in the neighborhood.

02:00:16 Speaker 16

Kohl's Memorial Day celebration starts at hundreds of great Bonifies 4 wide this Friday and Saturday only you'll save on swimwear and shorts for the family, and on hundreds of other items storewide.

02:00:25 Speaker 16

Miss Kohl's.

02:00:26 Speaker 16

Day bonus size this Friday and Saturday.

02:00:26

I.

02:00:29 Speaker 16

Kohl's shop happy. Me happy.

02:00:34 Speaker 46

When you want a battery that keeps going and going and going and going Energizer Max, do you have the Bunny inside?

02:00:44 Speaker 1

Come on the inside.

02:00:46 Speaker 15

On July 2nd, Catch a wave.

02:00:47

Hey Cortana.

02:00:50 Speaker 1

Take the plunge.

02:00:51 Speaker 43

Let's.

02:00:52 Speaker 37

Go.

02:00:53 Speaker 32

Get wet.

02:00:56 Speaker 17

And stay cool.

02:00:58 Speaker 15

From Green Works Pictures, the people who brought you Shrek.

02:01:01 Speaker 33

Give that guy a raise. Come on.

02:01:07 Speaker 32

If he starts hugging your leg, it means he likes you.

02:01:11 Speaker 15

Men Sinbad Rady, PG. Starts July 2nd everywhere.

02:01:13 Speaker 19

Oh.

02:01:42

The.

02:01:44

Replay.

02:01:46 Speaker 17

Memorial Day in America, it's a time for families.

02:01:50 Speaker 17

Lowe's will help you celebrate this charbroil grill specially designed to cook with either charcoal or gas is of great value at only 269.

02:01:59 Speaker 17

By any growth from Lowe's huge selection and get free assembly and free propane.

02:02:03 Speaker 17

Your Lowe's card storewide and pay nothing until January.

02:02:07 Speaker 17

Four on purchases of \$299 or more begin this Memorial Day at Lowe's and celebrate all summer long.

02:02:13

I.

02:02:15 Speaker 15

Stevie S nest get into the show.

02:02:16 Speaker 14

There's a girl that's safe.

02:02:18 Speaker 15

People are watching every week.

02:02:20 Speaker 14

As soon as we get a profile, the.

02:02:21 Speaker 15

More we're going to know the hit drama without a trace. CBS next.

02:02:25 Speaker 6

Tonight, Dave's all new with Tony Award nominee Antonio Banderas.

02:02:30 Speaker 6

You want to ask.

02:02:31 Speaker 23

Me out on a date.

02:02:31 Speaker 19

Let's go. Let's go out on a date.

02:02:33 Speaker 6

They're very inviting.

02:02:35 Speaker 6

Klum we.

02:02:36 Speaker 7

Come up to the house.

02:02:36 Speaker 27

I have t-ball.

02:02:37 Speaker 37

What will it float?

02:02:38 Speaker 42

The Grinder girl nearly set fire to my coupons.

02:02:41

That was.

02:02:42 Speaker 6

The CBS mailbag and an all new Top 10 tonight.

02:02:45 Speaker 19

It's made the main events are all right here.

02:02:48 Speaker 19

Wish TV was the only station to bring you complete start to finish coverage of the Mini marathon.

02:02:52 Speaker 19

Don't miss the other exciting may events exclusively on Wish TV.

02:02:56 Speaker 18

The 500 festival parade.

02:02:58 Speaker 19

As the official broadcaster, this is the only place you'll see the entire parade, with all the drivers and more big name celebrities than ever before.

02:03:06 Speaker 18

The Speedway special.

02:03:07 Speaker 19

Only 500 preview show.

02:03:09 Speaker 18

And the Indy 500 victory celebration this.

02:03:12 Speaker 19

May all the main events are on Wish TV.

02:03:15 Speaker 20

Marsh has everything you'll need for the perfect Memorial Day celebration, so fire up the grill and save on the freshest 100% beef ground.

02:03:17 Speaker 11

I.

02:03:24 Speaker 20

Just \$1.18 a pound ground fresh in store throughout the day.

02:03:27 Speaker 20

Aunt Millies hamburger or hot dog buns? Buy one, get one free and sweet whole watermelons only 388 each.

02:03:30

I.

02:03:34 Speaker 20

Plus, mix and match your favorite.

02:03:36 Speaker 20

12 packs of Coke, Pepsi, or 7UP for just 249 each. So for the perfect Memorial Day celebration with all your family favorites. Hurry to marsh.

02:03:44

Yeah.

02:03:46 Speaker 16

It would be great if we could repeat today's weather for race day.

02:03:48

The.

02:03:49 Speaker 7

I'll have a look ahead, Newport.

02:03:55 Speaker 38

Call.

02:03:56 Speaker 10

Don't tell me.

02:03:57 Speaker 10

Rick pleaded ignorance, right?

02:03:59 Speaker 9

Before he lawyered up.

02:04:00 Speaker 10

Really. Yeah. That guy's wasting his money. Take a look.

02:04:11 Speaker 9

It's frayed.

02:04:14 Speaker 9

You're saying if he'd cut it with the?

02:04:15 Speaker 9

It would be clean.

02:04:17 Speaker 10

These lines are spun polymer.

02:04:20 Speaker 10

They're lightweight, but strong as hell, covered in a plastic shell. Now, over time, that plastic coating wears down unprotected lines rub against one another, weakening, spraying and.

02:04:29 Speaker 10

Bill SNAP is normal wear and tear.

02:04:33 Speaker 9

Man. But Weston knew that the canopy was in bad shape.

02:04:37 Speaker 9

We don't have any evidence to suggest that he sabotaged it.

02:04:41 Speaker 10

Do you remember a case about a year ago?

02:04:43 Speaker 10

Canyon.

02:04:44 Speaker 9

Oh, the victim of sudden weather that you thought was murder?

02:04:47 Speaker 10

Yeah, you fool me.

02:04:49 Speaker 10

Shame on you, you fool me twice.

02:04:52 Speaker 10

Shame on me.

02:04:57 Speaker 5

Can you help me out?

02:04:59 Speaker 23

Depends.

02:05:01 Speaker 5

I can't get out into the field because I maxed out on overtime for the month.

02:05:06 Speaker 23

Ah, and you're confined to the lab, huh?

02:05:09 Speaker 23

Well, hey, look, it's regular hours. I mean, go have dinner with the boyfriend Hank, right?

02:05:15 Speaker 23

And and go a spa.

02:05:17 Speaker 20

Hank is not my boyfriend.

02:05:19 Speaker 20

And you know, those places are filled with bacteria.

02:05:23

Yeah.

02:05:25 Speaker 23

Sarah, I don't make the rules around here. You guys talk to Chris about that.

02:05:28 Speaker 5

Yeah, he's he's not really in a talking mood.

02:05:33 Speaker 23

What makes you think he's going to talk to me?

02:05:37 Speaker 23

Get some rest.

02:05:38 Speaker 20

I'm not tired, really. I'm not tired.

02:07:04 Speaker 9

As the cumulus cloud right there, right formed by warm air, rising thermals.

02:07:09 Speaker 10

Yeah, yeah, the the bigger the cloud, the more air that gets sucked in stronger the thermal.

02:07:15 Speaker 10

Check out our boys.

02:07:18 Speaker 10

Heading straight for.

02:07:19 Speaker 1

No.

02:07:19 Speaker 9

Probably getting a ride of his life.

02:07:34

I.

02:07:38 Speaker 15

None.

02:07:41 Speaker 9

Rising Fast Air's getting thinner 15,000 feet.

02:07:45

Yeah.

02:07:46 Speaker 9

He passes out and suffocates.

02:07:55 Speaker 10

Catch a good thermal. You take it as far as it takes you dead or alive.

02:08:10 Speaker 10

And a show Fred up. Jimmy had to fly higher.

02:08:13 Speaker 46

Hi.

02:08:13 Speaker 9

But he had an oxygen tank on his harness.

02:08:17 Speaker 9

Why didn't he use it?

02:08:19 Speaker 10

Good question.

02:08:28

The.

02:08:33 Speaker 23

The keyword here retaliation.

02:08:39 Speaker 23

Roger Edmonds cut the cable that you stole.

02:08:42 Speaker 36

Hey, you're stealing it himself.

02:08:44 Speaker 23

Of course he was.

02:08:48 Speaker 23

So then you.

02:08:49 Speaker 23

Chop up his tree.

02:08:56 Speaker 23

Borrowed Ned's truck to dump the branches.

02:08:59 Speaker 31

I borrowed that stuff all the time. He doesn't mind.

02:09:01 Speaker 14

It's not important to him. It's no big deal.

02:09:03 Speaker 23

Shut up.

02:09:04 Speaker 23

This isn't about Ned.

02:09:06 Speaker 23

It's about Roger.

02:09:10 Speaker 23

While you're out dumping the branches.

02:09:13 Speaker 23

Roger comes home.

02:09:14 Speaker 23

Sees what you've done to his tree.

02:09:18 Speaker 23

Up the ante.

02:09:24 Speaker 23

You return home.

02:09:27 Speaker 23

Find your dog.

02:09:30 Speaker 23

Start looking for Roger.

02:09:48 Speaker 44

Your dog look as bad as my treat.

02:10:06 Speaker 1

Text.

02:10:10

The.

02:10:15 Speaker 27

Yeah.

02:10:17 Speaker 22

Desert eagle.

02:10:22 Speaker 23

Something else you borrowed?

02:10:25 Speaker 45

He killed my dog.

02:10:36 Speaker 9

The gauge reads full.

02:10:37 Speaker 10

Yeah, I don't think it works bro.

02:10:39 Speaker 9

There's only one way to find out.

02:10:46 Speaker 9

I'm fine.

02:10:49 Speaker 10

An experienced flyer prepared for the altitude and there's no reason not to use his oxygen.

02:10:57 Speaker 9

Unless he didn't needed it.

02:11:13 Speaker 1

OK.

02:11:14 Speaker 9

Las Vegas is 2030 feet above sea level.

02:11:18 Speaker 9

You have everything plugged in yet.

02:11:23 Speaker 9

See what we got.

02:11:27 Speaker 9

30 feet.

02:11:30 Speaker 10

I think we're off by a couple G's.

02:11:36 Speaker 45

Jimmy's altimeter. Your fingerprints on the inside. That's cute.

02:11:41 Speaker 11

You.

02:11:41 Speaker 31

Should put it in the frame, so I fixed gear for other Flyers sometimes.

02:11:47 Speaker 31

Deal.

02:11:48 Speaker 9

Oh, you fixed it all right.

02:11:50 Speaker 9

You decalibrated.

02:11:51 Speaker 9

It was off by 2000 feet.

02:12:02 Speaker 10

In the air, you lose perspective. You have to trust your instruments.

02:12:06 Speaker 45

Jimmy didn't know how high he actually was.

02:12:13 Speaker 3

The.

02:12:32 Speaker 31

Yeah, I already told you.

02:12:34 Speaker 31

This dude was soft in the air.

02:12:35 Speaker 31

Could have turned back anytime.

02:12:37 Speaker 45

But you know he wouldn't.

02:12:39 Speaker 45

You set him up.

02:12:40 Speaker 9

Yeah, perfect sky.

02:12:43 Speaker 9

Massive canopy fishing thermals, dude, and a challenge you'd never refuse.

02:12:49 Speaker 9

Clayton and gifts himself.

02:13:00 Speaker 10

You couldn't stand the fact that he was.

02:13:03 Speaker 10

Than you.

02:13:03 Speaker 31

Hey, I called him out.

02:13:04 Speaker 31

Took me.

02:13:06 Speaker 31

Bigger.

02:13:06 Speaker 31

Air higher altitudes push the limit.

02:13:09 Speaker 31

That's why we fly.

02:13:11 Speaker 9

No, it's not why you.

02:13:13 Speaker 9

The truth is on your arm.

02:13:15 Speaker 9

Lecto majera deciphering the three Furies.

02:13:21 Speaker 9

Unceasing anger.

02:13:23 Speaker 9

Vengeance and jealousy.

02:13:26 Speaker 9

That's what you're about.

02:13:29 Speaker 14

Sorry dude.

02:13:35 Speaker 9

Hey cat.

02:13:38 Speaker 23

Hey, I heard you know your Greek mythology. I'm impressed.

02:13:41 Speaker 23

Never would have.

02:13:42 Speaker 39

Guessed.

02:13:43 Speaker 9

Yeah, I'm a mystery.

02:13:44 Speaker 28

Yes you are.

02:13:48 Speaker 23

So where's Nick?

02:13:49 Speaker 9

He bugged out early.

02:13:50 Speaker 23

What good work you guys both of you?

02:13:54 Speaker 43

Would you let him know?

02:13:57 Speaker 9

Yeah, well.

02:13:58

Can't see you around.

02:13:59 Speaker 9

All right. Have a good morning.

02:14:01 Speaker 4

You too.

02:14:09 Speaker 23

Clothes that murder.

02:14:09 Speaker 23

Was working.

02:14:11 Speaker 23

A man's life for a dog's life, for a Mulberry tree.

02:14:15 Speaker 23

Sometimes I wonder if people are meant to live together.

02:14:18 Speaker 14

How do you know what this?

02:14:19 Speaker 26

Say good fences make good neighbors.

02:14:21 Speaker 23

Then you'd make a great neighbor.

02:14:24 Speaker 15

Oh.

02:14:28 Speaker 4

New case.

02:14:30 Speaker 26

Ongoing.

02:14:35 Speaker 8

Oh, bugs.

02:14:39 Speaker 23

Enjoy.

02:14:44

The.

02:14:47 Speaker 8

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02:15:02 Speaker 15

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The.

02:15:23 Speaker 13

The team from Atlantis has.

02:15:25 Speaker 13

Let's do it. The excitement is back.

02:15:28 Speaker 13

And the adventures continue.

02:15:30 Speaker 7

What?

02:15:31 Speaker 2

You're going to want.

02:15:32 Speaker 3

To take a look at this.

02:15:33 Speaker 13

It latches Milo's return only today on Disney's.

02:15:36 Speaker 8

Video at Red Lobster. You don't have to use silverware and you don't have to choose between delicious bucculat lobster, sweet crab legs and mouth watering shrimp because this is the place that has it all. The best variety of great seafood always at Red Lobster.

02:15:53 Speaker 27

Okay, let's say this is your car and you get into an accident.

02:15:56 Speaker 27

Oh boy, if you take it to an Allstate recommended repair shop, they'll fix it so you're pretty happy.

02:16:01 Speaker 27

Like I'm pretty.

02:16:03 Speaker 27

Even better, Allstate guarantees the workmanship for as long as you own the.

02:16:06 Speaker 27

Which means if even the smallest thing goes wrong, you don't have to pay for it. So.

02:16:09

Oh.

02:16:10

I.

02:16:11 Speaker 27

Happy. You're like, oh, I'm.

02:16:14 Speaker 27

So happy.

02:16:14 Speaker 27

So there you go. The Allstate lifetime repair guarantee.

02:16:17 Speaker 34

Recall now and find out how you're.

02:16:19 Speaker 27

In good hands with allspice.

02:16:24 Speaker 33

Go ahead.

02:16:24 Speaker 4

No, you start.

02:16:26 Speaker 43

What's fun about going camping?

02:16:27 Speaker 7

I think it's the whole experience of just being outside.

02:16:29 Speaker 4

You take away all those distractions and then they can just have fun being with each other.

02:16:33 Speaker 7

But it's always kind of fun to go out and pick up all the latest gadgets, the gear that goes with it.

02:16:37 Speaker 4

That's the kids favorite part going to Walmart and trying to find the new thing to take camping with.

02:16:43 Speaker 7

It's usually fishing related.

02:16:43 Speaker 4

Which is. Yeah, that's right.

02:16:45 Speaker 20

I'll die.

02:16:46 Speaker 27

There's something very cool about a campfire.

02:16:49 Speaker 4

Big Bondy big, which is why we'll do it for as long as.

02:16:52 Speaker 20

Yes.

02:16:53

Yeah.

02:16:56 Speaker 14

Without the traces next here on CBS.

02:17:00 Speaker 38

I seen your Thursday picks up survivor.

02:17:02 Speaker 44

Go.

02:17:03 Speaker 38

Then we've got a summer treat for you. The all new amazing race teams of two chase around the planet for 1,000,000 bucks.

02:17:12 Speaker 38

To the bag, since it's the most exciting adventure.

02:17:16

You're laugh.

02:17:16 Speaker 38

We all knew amazing race starting as next Thursday.

02:17:21 Speaker 6

Dave's all new with Antonio Banderas and Heidi Klum tonight.

02:17:36

I.

02:17:59 Speaker 16

Hey kids.

02:18:01 Speaker 24

Forgot something?

02:18:05 Speaker 20

Yours too, if you.

02:18:06 Speaker 16

Want to be a big girl?

02:18:08 Speaker 12

Forgive me.

02:18:11 Speaker 27

Be home for supper.

02:18:12 Speaker 18

On time.

02:18:15 Speaker 33

Come on, get up.

02:18:16

All.

02:18:17 Speaker 19

Right, let's suck in the back.

02:18:19 Speaker 6

The seat belt on.

02:18:21 Speaker 16

Seat belt, please come.

02:18:23 Speaker 37

On love you.

02:18:26 Speaker 14

Greg Pritchard, 42 years old, daughter Kyla, six years old.

02:18:30 Speaker 18

Bye.

02:18:30 Speaker 14

He was supposed to open up his dry cleaning store as usual, then take Kyle at his school.

02:18:35 Speaker 14

He never got to the store and Carla never made it to school.