- 1 [Interviewer requests and receives permission to record the
- 2 interview and to use the information gathered]

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- 4 [00:00:00]
- 5 [Talking Over Each Other]
- 6 FEMALE: Thank you for the [inaudible].

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- 8 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Okay. You're welcome.
- 9 The other thank you.
- 10 [Laughter]
- Okay, you'll make a famous man out of me yet.
- 12 [Laughter]

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- 14 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] Well, we'll see.
- 15 [Laughter]
- 16 I think you're already famous.
- 17 Alright.
- 18 So, my name is Marvin Bendele.
- 19 I'm here, the date is I'm here at Karl Kuby's Restaurant Kuby's
- 20 Sausage, uh, and the date is November twenty-eighth [28th], two
- 21 thousand seventeen [2017].
- 22 It is currently eight-fifty-six [8:56] A.M.
- 23 Uh, we're here to interview Karl Kuby Sr. about his life uh, with
- 24 the restaurant and and food here at in Dallas.
- 25 But uh, also hopefully beyond that, as well.
- 26 Uh, so, Mr. Kuby can I ask you to say your name and spell your last
- 27 [00:00:44]

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- 29 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: name, and then give give
- 30 us your birth date again.

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- 32 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Okay.
- 33 My name is Karl F. Kuby, K, U, B, Y.
- 34 Spelled K with an uh, uh, Karl with a K.
- 35 I was born on the twenty-fifth [25th] of December, nineteen thirty-
- 36 two [1932] in Kaiserslautern.
- 37 That is spelled, Kaiserslautern, Germany, which is a a little State –
- 38 Eines Falls [sp] now.
- 39 At that time it was Palatinate, Germany.
- We are about twenty [20] miles from the French border.
- 41 My parents ran a butcher shop that was founded in seventeen
- 42 thirteen [1713] by one [1] of my fore fathers.
- 43 He was a manager of a little kingdom called Lauingen [sp].
- 44 And uh, when the old Duke died the young one [1] came to him,
- and he told him that he should put the lands.
- 46 You know, each farmer, each we businessman had to pay.
- 47 Everything belonged to the State, so to the Kingdom.
- 48 So, everybody had to pay fifteen percent [15%] of his income, as to
- 49 the to the King.
- 50 [Talking Over Each Other]
- 51 To the yeah, to the to the Duke.
- 52 And uh, -, at that time, Germany had about forty-eight [48] different
- 53 kingdoms small kingdoms.
- 54 **[00:02:33]**

- 55 **[00:02:33]**
- 56 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, the Kaiser, the Emperor
- 57 had put a guideline not to charge more than fifteen percent [15%],
- 58 because that was about as much as they could afford.
- 59 But the young Prince when the old man died, he says, 'I want you to
- 60 charge twenty percent [20%]'.
- So, Kuby, his name was Daniel Kuby, he was a kind of uh, he
- 62 studied law in Strasburg.
- 63 And uh, he said, 'the Kaiser gave us this guideline and I think we
- should stick to the guideline.
- 65 Your Father was gonna go by the guideline'.
- 66 And he says, 'I need the money, you don't go by the guideline'.
- 67 So, he says, 'I'm not gonna do it'.
- 68 And he says, 'well, and uh, -, I have to do greater measures'.
- 69 And then he says, 'No, I'm gonna take you to the Kaiser's Court, the
- 70 Emperor's Court and sue you'.
- 71 And he did, and he won the case, but he got fired.
- 72 You know, who would keep him when he go against the the King,
- you know, so to speak.
- 74 So, he was lost, [inaudible] he was uh, by profession, he was a
- 75 lawyer, manager of a kingdom.
- 76 But he was he said, 'oh, there's forty-eight [48] kingdoms, I'm
- 77 gonna find another job'.
- 78 And he went from place to place to place to place, and he couldn't
- 79 find another job.
- 80 They wouldn't hire him.
- 81 **[00:04:09]**

- 82 [00:04:09]
- 83 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, he came to Kaiserslautern for
- 84 the reason that there the Emperor had a castle, a hunting castle.
- 85 And he thought if he would get this to manage then it would be a
- good job, you know.
- 87 And even the even the Kaiser would not manage; they would not
- 88 hire him.
- 89 So, he went ahead and uh, he stayed in Kaiserslautern, and he met
- a widow that had a butcher shop that was founded around sixteen
- 91 **fifty [1650]**.
- 92 And uh, they fell in love and he married her.
- 93 And he had to serve an apprenticeship of three [3] years, and then
- 94 work as a journeyman for another couple of years, before he could
- 95 take over the shop.
- 96 And the shop he took over in twenty-one [-1921].
- 97 And then he put it under the name of 'Kuby'.
- Now he became the the 'Master of the Guild', and he went right
- 99 away into uh, here to fore.
- 100 I've got to say here to fore, the Emperor, they would they would
- demand the meat prices to state this, and this, and this, and this.
- 102 And he says, 'we don't make no money that way'.
- 103 'We can go by, you know, by demand'.
- 104 So, he went ahead and told the butchers could raise their prices
- whenever it was necessary.
- 106 And uh, so, he existed for about maybe twenty [20] years, because
- 107 he he was about fifty-six [56] before he died, you know.
- 108 **[00:05:53]**

109 [00:05:53] 110 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - and that butcher shop 111 also existed till - till about the turn of the century, [inaudible] so my 112 brother had lost it. 113 Because he had no more heirs so they - they had to close it down. 114 115 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, so, this like the turn of 116 the century, twenty – two thousand [2000]? 117 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 118 119 120 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 121 122 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Ninety-eight [1998]. 123 124 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Ninety-eight [1998]. Okay. 125 126 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, I grew up in the business. 127 I wanted to be uh, - study medicine, going to high school and - and 128 Pre-Med. 129 And uh, - but somehow I baked very good chocolate. 130 131 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, really? 132 133 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And so, they – they came around 134 and they wanted to - wanted me to play professional soccer.

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- 136 **[00:06:44]**
- 137 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: At that time was, they call it uh, -
- 138 contract soccer.
- 139 They they pay you X X amount of dollars, and then they pay you
- 140 each game, you know.

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142 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 144 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The the fee is about uh, -
- was about eighty [80] marks a month, which was twenty dollars
- 146 **[\$20.00]** a month.
- 147 And the home game was nine dollars [\$9.00] and an outside game
- eighteen dollars [\$18.00], you know.
- 149 So, you would get real in comparison.
- 150 I played for Bair Leverkusen [sp], you know, Bair Leverkusen [sp].
- 151 And that uh, that's the number one [1] club now.
- 152 And they hired this Mexican guy, Chiciorito [sp].

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154 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 156 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They paid I think nine million
- 157 dollars for him to get him.
- 158 And then they paid him about six million dollars a year.
- 159 Playing playing the same position that I played at [inaudible].

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- 161 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
- 162 **[00:07:37]**

- 163 **[00:07:37]**
- 164 [Talking Over Each Other]

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- 166 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, I I went to Leverkusen, it is
- about uh, oh, I don't know, about two hundred [200] miles from my
- 168 home town.
- 169 And uh, my father had the foresights, 'learn your your trade'.
- 170 So, I I I learned my trade, you know, worked as a butcher, and so
- 171 **on**
- 172 And I got the Master Degree in in the Meat Market, and uh, -

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- 174 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: What does that entail?
- 175 Getting a Master's Degree?

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- 177 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: It's it's yeah, it's like a
- 178 Master's Degree.
- 179 It's it's not quite uh, what you do and and normally in Germany
- 180 the The Education System, you want me to stay like this?

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182 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: No, no, you're fine.

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- 184 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, The Education System
- is that you have actually two [2] or two [2] maybe three [3]
- 186 different Education System.
- 187 You go from one [1] to four [4] Grammar School.
- 188 At the end of the fourth [4th] year in Grammar School, the teachers
- 189 **[00:08:38]**

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- 191 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: pull out the qualified kids that are
- 192 good students.
- 193 And recommend to the parents that they could go on to a higher
- 194 degree of learning.
- 195 In the High School with the age of eleven [11], you know, actually
- when you finish with the tenth [10th] and the fourth [4th] grade.
- 197 And then they go for nine [9] years to high school.
- 198 The High School includes pre pre-college courses, you know.
- 199 So, they graduated with nineteen [19], and that's what I did.
- 200 And then you can go to to college, you know.
- 201 But, we as kids, we worked at home, you know, we had to do boning.
- 202 We had to help out, and so, so, I I was able to make my studies -
- studies as a butcher in two [2] years.
- 205 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
- 207 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because I I worked for all my
- 208 life in that same business, you know.
- 209 So, when I was that way and and I came home, and I got hurt.
- 210 I couldn't play professional soccer anymore, and I went back to the
- 211 home club and played uh, an amateur club, you know.
- 212 Because I I had the Achilles Tendons torn up.
- 214 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
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- 217 **[00:09:47]**
- 218 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And that is like you couldn't fix it.

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220 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. Right.

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- 222 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I came home, and uh, I met
- this wonderful girl.
- 224 She was my neighbor, and uh, but she was a model.

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226 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: A model.

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- 228 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: A Dress designer, and uh, she
- was a seamstress, dress designer, and a model.
- 230 And she modeled in the in the city.

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232 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 234 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And so, I I wanted to marry her
- 235 and my parents did not like that.
- 236 They wanted me to marry a butcher girl, so they could help in the
- 237 butcher.
- 238 Because I was the oldest one, I would automatically get the
- 239 business, that's the way it is.
- 240 And uh, so, I decided, I think the best way would be for me to leave
- the country.
- 242 But that decision was made already much much earlier.
- 243 **[00:10:49]**

- 244 **[00:10:49]**
- 245 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We grew up in a way wonderful
- family, you know.
- 247 My family uh, my Father and Mother they were such good people.
- 248 I never saw them fight.
- When my Father died, I told my Mom, I said, 'you know, you were my
- 250 idol'.
- 251 'I never heard you say a bad word about him, and him never saying
- anything bad to you'.
- 253 'And I want to be the same way'.
- 254 And she said, 'oh, we had our differences, but it was none of your
- 255 business'.

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- 257 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
- 259 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know. [Laughter]
- 260 'We we settled that out of the when you were not around, you
- 261 **know**'.
- So, anyway, but uh, when I when my Father was about he was
- 263 exempt from The Army, because he was already over forty [40] years
- old when The War broke out, and uh, -.
- 266 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: World War II?
- 268 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: World War II.
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271 [00:11:45] 272 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 273 274 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And he had one [1] of our helpers, 275 he was a socialist. 276 And he found some old Socialist newspapers. 277 And he went to downtown and gave them away. 278 And so they arrested him and they put him the Dachau, in the 279 Concentration Camp. 280 281 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Who was this? 282 283 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: To Dachau in the -284 [Talking Over Each Other] 285 It was uh, - uh, - one [1] of our workers. 286 287 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 288 289 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, so they arrested him 290 and - and uh, - they put him to Dachau because it was against The 291 Nazi System, you know. 292 293 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 294 295 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, he was not Jewish, he was 296 just a Socialist, against Hitler, you know. 297 [00:12:24]

- 298 **[00:12:24]**
- 299 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, Papa was a Member of the
- 300 **Party**.
- 301 In nineteen-forty-one [1941], when The War was over with France
- when they make the peace with The Wichie, you know, with the
- 303 The Wichies.
- 304 He was let out from Dachau for good behavior.
- 305 You know, because we won The War with France, and he had to
- promise not to tell anybody about what's going on in in the
- 307 Concentration Camp, you know.
- 308 So, he came to live with us, because his house was confiscated by
- 309 The Nazis, so he had no place to stay.
- 310 And we had we used to have uh, anyway about five [5] six [6]
- 311 people working for us that lived with us.
- 312 You know, I've got a picture of the house out there.
- 313 Uh, that lived with us upstairs.
- 314 There was bedrooms and bathrooms that they they used
- 315 themselves, you know.
- 316 So, he said, Fritz, you know, most of your help is in The War, they
- were, and we didn't have, so you need me.
- 318 Maybe I can help you, and then uh, you can stay with you, you
- 319 **know**.
- 320 So, he stayed with us, and at night they would have a bottle of beer
- 321 together and talk.
- 322 And I guess one [1] night he told my Father what was really going on
- in the Concentration Camp.
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- 326 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.

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- 328 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He says, 'he was tortured, in order
- 329 to get uh, the names of all The Socialist Party members, you know,
- and he started crying'.
- 331 And he said that he 'he told the the thing'.
- 332 But he said, 'I couldn't stand it anymore'.
- 333 'They would whip him, then they put him in a in a uh, he called it
- a bucket of water and then shock him with current'.

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336 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, my gosh. Yeah.

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- 338 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, until until he
- 339 confessed uh, who was the members.
- 340 So, when my Father heard that, he says, 'you know, one [1] of the
- 341 things that was different between The German Army and The French
- 342 Army after World War I was the fact The French first [1st] mode of
- 343 punishment was whipping'.
- 344 'You know, they would put a soldier up there, and with a whip, he
- 345 would get thirty [30] whips, ten [10] whips, whatever violations he
- 346 did, you know'.
- 347 And uh, I saw in nineteen-forty-five [1945], forty-six [1946], we -
- we were uh, we were allowed to go out at first [1st] only two [2]
- 349 hours in the morning and two [2] hours in the afternoon.
- 350 So, we would go two [2] hours out of town, in the country, and then
- 351 **[00:15:11]**

352 [00:15:11] 353 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: come back in the two [2] hours 354 when we -355 And we came back, and I heard the - the music from The French uh, 356 - occupation. 357 And I go look, and they had a uh, - a Moroccan [sp] soldier standing 358 on a – on a chair. 359 And the sergeant behind it with a whip and giving him, you know, I 360 could see it from about a hundred [100] - a hundred and fifty [150] 361 yards away. 362 And uh, - so we hurried up, because they didn't want us to see that, 363 you know. 364 365 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: How old were you at that 366 time? 367 368 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I was about thirteen [13]. 369 370 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 371 372 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, I was thirteen [13] 373 years. 374 Anyway, then all those things came out about The Concentration 375 Camps. 376 I felt ashamed to be German; At first [1st] I did not believe it. 377 But then they came – people that were in The Concentration Camp 378 [00:15:59]

- 379 **[00:15:59]**
- 380 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: like, there was an old lady, Ms.
- 381 Burnbaum [sp].
- 382 She came back; her her son was in California, and she went to to
- 383 California to stay with her son, who was the same age like my
- 384 Father.
- 385 And that sweet old lady was a Jewish lady and she was our neighbor.
- 386 And we kids would go over there and play over there.

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- 388 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Is she one [1] of the
- 389 customers at the at the butcher shop?

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- 391 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, our our butcher shop.
- 392 And uh, she was gone.
- 393 You know, she went to to but then she came back and she said.
- 394 'My Father said, I thought you went to Fritz'?
- 395 You know, his name was Fritz too.
- 396 And uh, -, so he says, 'oh, she says Fritz uh, Fritz means 'Little
- 397 Fritz', you know, they call him'.
- 398 She knew him since he was a little boy like her son.
- 399 She says, 'America is a wonderful country, but I want to die at
- 400 home'.

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402 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.

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- 404 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, so I learned that these
- 405 **[00:16:56]**

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- 407 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: things actually were true about
- 408 The Concentration Camp.
- 409 And I felt so ashamed, I I lost my confidence.
- 410 I prayed my Grandmother used to; I got to go back.

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412 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.

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- 414 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I got to go back.
- When I was born, I weighed only two [2] pounds and four [4]
- 416 ounces.
- So, my Grandmother, who was Lutheran, took me, and ran down to
- 418 the first [1st] church that was in the block, you know.
- 419 It was a Lutheran Church, and had me baptized Lutheran, she was
- 420 Lutheran.
- 421 And I I held that against her, because my Mama was Catholic my
- 422 Father was Lutheran.
- 423 And my my Mother was uh, married to my Father.
- 424 She promised the Priest that the kids would be baptized Catholic.
- 425 Grandmother took me, and I said, 'I'm cheated that on despise [sp]',
- 426 you know, I I always felt that way.
- But later on I found out, and I really give her the benefit of the
- 428 doubt, because she was such a sweet woman.
- 429 And I think she did it out of fear I would die before I could get to
- 430 church, because then you go to hell, you know -
- 431 [Talking Over Each Other]
- 432 **[00:18:15]**

- 433 **[00:18:15]**
- 434 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Because you weren't -
- 435 because you weren't baptized, right?

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437 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, because I wasn't baptized.

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439 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.

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- 441 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, I give her the benefit of the
- 442 doubt, you know.
- But my Mother had four [4] more children, she had three [3] more
- 444 children.
- One [1] one [1] I had one [1] sister and two [2] more brothers.
- 446 And uh, they were all Lutheran.
- So, Mama said 'then if one [1] Lutheran and and one [1] is
- 448 Lutheran and the other one [1] Catholic, that doesn't make no sense,
- 449 **you know**'.
- 450 So, but she never did go to church.
- 451 And she was excommunicated, and when my Father died, he had two
- 452 [2] friends, they were they were uh, Jesuit [sp] Priests in Brazil,
- 453 they were neighbor kids.
- 454 And they grew up together, and they came over to on the way to –
- 455 to The Pope, John, Pope John, you know, that that they call him
- 456 'The Farmer', you know.
- 457 And uh, so my Mother, they stopped at my Mother's house when
- 458 she had found at that Fritz died.
- 459 **[00:19:21]**

- 460 **[00:19:21]**
- 461 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Their friend, Fritz died, you know,
- was just happened at the same time.
- 463 [Clearing Throat]
- So, they, my Mother confessed to him, and she told him, I guess, how
- unhappy she was that she was excommunicated.
- 466 And they took the her her case to The Pope.
- 467 And The Pope reinstated her and [inaudible] fellowship in The
- 468 Catholic Church.
- So, she she became a Catholic again and died happy.

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471 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.

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- 473 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, she went to church
- 474 again.
- 475 But anyway, so that that was one [1] of the reasons also I I just,
- 476 I could not be proud even though the we we were, you know,
- 477 right after The War everything was destroyed.
- 478 I could show you pictures; I should have brought some of those
- 479 pictures.
- 480 The city was sixty percent [60%] demolished.

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482 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Which city was this?

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484 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Kaiserslautern, my home town.

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- 488 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. Okay.

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- 490 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, we would, as kids, you know, I
- 491 was twelve [12] thirteen [13] years old, my brother eleven [11].
- We would sit there every day, at least one [1] or two [2] hours.
- 493 And I had an old brick, a hammer when we cleaned the mortar off
- 494 the bricks, put them on the side, you know, so they could use them
- when they rebuilt the house, you know.

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- 497 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Was was the butcher shop
- 498 destroyed as well?

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- 500 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, our house was like a miracle
- it was uh, that that one [1] side of the block was all gone.
- 502 There was nothing wrong with it.

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- 504 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, just to get a an idea of
- 505 the space.
- 506 Did you had the butcher shop and your house together?

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- 508 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah. Yeah.
- 509 And see at the [inaudible] when my Father, I go go back to my
- 510 Father again.
- 511 He went down to the to the Party Headquarter, when they were all
- 512 little city, they all know each other, you know.
- 513 **[00:21:10]**

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- 515 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And the head man of the Party
- 516 was a guy by the name of uh, - Arthur Kobin [sp].
- 517 And he said, 'I do a - I'm gonna resign, because Hitler lied to us.
- 518 He said, no German would ever beat somebody else, because The
- 519 French did beat the Germans up, you know, too after World War I'.
- 520 Well, to make a long story short, he did not turn the papers in for six
- 521 [6] - seven [7] weeks.
- And so, my Father said, 'why uh, see they don't do nothing to me'. 522
- 523 And he said, 'well, I haven't send in the papers'.
- 524 And then he said, 'yes, I have the papers still here'.
- 525 And he says, 'let me have them, I send them in'.
- 526 And then two [2] or three [3] weeks later, there was The Order out
- 527 for him to be arrested.

529 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum.

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- INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, he said, 'what should I do
 - 532 now'?

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- 533 And he says, 'well the only way is you had so connections with the
- twenty-third [23rd] Infantry Regiment'. 534
- 535 My great-grandfather had bought the castle from The Count when he
- 536 gave it to that Infantry Regiment for a Headquarter.
- 537 And uh, - he says, 'volunteer in this thing again'.
- 538 So, he went to - to uh, - Munich, he went into The Infantry, and they
- 539 shipped him to Rumania where he - where he spent the rest of The
- 540 [00:22:42]

- 541 [00:22:42] 542 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: War fighting The Russians. 543 But he was a – a cook in The Army. 544 And us kids, my brother and I, they took us away from our Mother. 545 They closed our business down, and The Army took over the butcher 546 [inaudible], the sausage factory, and make sausage for The Army. 547 They closed our business down, and uh, - sent us kids, the two [2] 548 little ones. 549 My sister and my little brother stayed with my Mom. 550 And uh, - they sent us to Czechoslovakia into a Pre-Military School. 551 I would say a Cadet School like very much like the - The Marine 552 Academy down in the valley, you know. 553 554 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 555 556 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Kind of something like that. 557 558 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, this is when you were 559 about thirteen [13] - fourteen [14]? 560 561 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I was – I was twelve [12]. 562
- 565 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And my brother was eleven [11]. 566

INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE:

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Okay.

568	[00:23:30]
569	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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571	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And we stayed there for about one
572	[1] year and then The War was over.
573	So, my, at the end of The War, I saw Traunstein burning.
574	Traunstein, you know.
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576	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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578	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We were about a hundred and ten
579	[110] miles away from Traunstein to the South – South Sea, kind of
580	just South of Traunstein.
581	We could see the sky was red just like a dome.
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583	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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585	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Red for three [3] days at night.
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587	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, my God.
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589	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they said there's a big
590	bombing going there, we didn't know what happened there it was a
591	uh,
592	All these things that happened, and then when we came back we
593	cleaned those bricks up, and we couldn't go outside.
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- 595 **[00:24:11]**
- 596 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And we saw these American
- 597 soldiers laughing, smiling.
- 598 You know, the first [1st] ones I saw, I was in a little village to get
- 599 my bread.
- 600 You know, they send us when we came back from the school.
- 601 And my Father send us out in the country to my uncle.
- 602 They had a little farm in the country.
- And so, we would get one [1] week, we would get four [4] loaves of
- 604 bread.
- 605 And I go down there with the bicycle, and there was thirty [30] -
- forty [40] people standing in line, when I finding my way coming.
- 607 Well, as I walked into the door, I I thought somebody pushed me
- in, and then I heard this loud noise.
- 609 And I I didn't know what happened.
- 610 I I thought maybe a bomb hit or something.
- 611 And I was pushed into the store.
- 612 And I got my bread, and when I came out, everything was dusty.
- 613 And I looked up, there was the church and the steeple was gone.
- See what happened, Patton came in.
- 615 And people on the left side of the line they were.
- 616 And and he would [inaudible] there was this they checked all the
- 617 high high places, and they shot them out in case they had spies up
- 618 there, you know.

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- 620 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Or snipers. Snipers.
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622 [00:25:23] 623 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Snipers, yeah. 624 And uh, - so, I stand there with my bread. 625 And all of a sudden I see the people hanging bed sheets out of the 626 window. 627 And stand there with the window, with their white handkerchief like 628 this, when I say, what is this? 629 And I see these soldiers coming up the street. 630 They came up from around the corner, tank first [1st] and then a 631 Command Car with an officer on there. 632 Machine gun on it and they pointed the machine. 633 And I stand there with my bread. I said, 'you're not gonna take my bread away from me'. 634 635 [Laughter] 636 [Laughter] 637 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 638 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I stand there with my bread. 639 640 And they were Americans; you couldn't hear them, because the 641 German soldiers had these cleats on their shoes. 642 You know, they go boom, boom, boom, and these were just sneaking. 643 I said, they are like Indians, you know. 644 645 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 646 647

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- **[00:26:07]**
- 650 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, I heard that all these
- Western, you know, Indians they walk like Indians, you know, they
- 652 had shoes soles.

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654 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. Right. [Laughter]

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- 656 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And copper soles on the shoe.
- 657 That's how I saw [inaudible].
- 658 And then I went back to the farm, and I told uh, my aunt.
- 'Aren't the Americans out there on there'?
- 660 It's about four [4] miles from where I was.
- 661 And I went to school down there.
- 662 And uh, they said, 'oh, you don't believe it.'
- 'You we don't believe it'.
- And I said, 'no, I saw them, I saw them'.
- They didn't come for another six [6] weeks.
- Then two [2] or three [3] guys come walked up there, two [2] G.I.s.
- You know, very lightly leisurely coming to this little village, seven [7]
- 668 houses.
- 669 And uh, -, you know what?
- 670 There was [inaudible] thirty [30] or forty [40] German soldiers in the
- 671 **barn**.
- We would feed them and, you know, they threw their weapons away
- and they want to go home, you know.
- They knew The War was lost, you know, The War was going on on
- 675 **[00:27:03]**

- 676 **[00:27:03]**
- 677 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: the other side of The Rhine
- 678 River.
- So, the farmers would feed them; they cook a a pot full of beans, or
- 680 something like that.
- 681 And and here those two [2] Americans walked up there, and they
- walked around cause he was the The Head Forest Ranger.
- 683 And uh, The Head Game Warden and he had guns.
- 684 And they looked at these old guns and they left.
- 685 And they're looking at these old shotgun, you know, [inaudible] and
- they gave it back to him.
- 687 And uh, and even the ammunition he had in the house.
- 688 You know, they they just didn't take anything and they walked
- 689 away.
- 690 And we for another two [2] or three [3] weeks we didn't see any
- 691 **one**.
- 692 And then finally Papa came out there and he says, 'we're go into
- 693 town, we're coming back home."
- 694 And when I came home to our house there was thirty [30] people
- 695 living in our house, because there was so many people had nothing,
- 696 no place to stay, you know.
- 697 And uh, you know what?
- 698 We had thirty [30] people living in our house strangers.
- 699 And that was going on for another six [6] months maybe.
- 700 And then we couldn't open up the business till till we my Father
- 701 was, you know, he had to go [inaudible] because he was a Party
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- 704 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: member.

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706 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.

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- 708 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And he his was, he was ahead of
- 709 plus that he resigned, you know.
- 710 But that had to be it was -

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- 712 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did they have to establish?
- 713 The Americans have to establish that?

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715 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah.

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- 717 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. Did he get
- 718 interrogated?

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- 720 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, and then we became under
- 721 French occupation, and the French paid us back what we ever did in
- 722 France, you know.

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724 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.

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- 726 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We were they had a they had
- 727 the same law.
- When a French soldier came and asked you, 'where [In French], you
- 729 **[00:28:52]**

- 730 **[00:28:52]**
- 731 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: know, we spoke French too, you
- 732 **know**.
- 733 [In French] 'where's the where's the railroad station, you know'?
- 734 And then you would tell them, 'go this way, this way, and this way'.
- 735 '[In French] well how many minutes'?
- 736 And I say to them, 'yeah, this this many'.
- Okay, you know, and when he had the luggage, and he had to do
- 738 the luggage, you had to go with him to carry it to the railroad station.
- 739 So, one [1] one [1] of my buddies one [1] of my buddies, he
- 740 would he he they called him.
- 741 And he say, '[In French], and he said, how far is it'?
- 742 And he says, 'if you run like in nineteen-forty [1940], you'll be there
- 743 in five [5] minutes.'
- 744 [Laughter]

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746 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.

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- 748 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They arrested him.
- 749 [Laughter]

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751 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 753 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they kept him in jail for a
- 754 couple of days.
- 755 He was only fourteen [14] years old, you know.
- 756 **[00:29:43]**

- 757 **[00:29:43]**
- 758 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But but anyway, so so the
- 759 French were different.
- 760 But, you know, you they are also good people, you know.

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762 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 764 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But uh, -, we were very lucky.
- World War I, before World War I, Kuby's we would have the first
- 766 [1st] we were the first [1st] business in my part of the country
- 767 that buy all the tenderloins from every butcher shop.
- 768 All the the the sirloins and everything, good cuts of meat.
- And we shipped it to the hotels uh, on on The Riviera, to France,
- 770 to Paris, to Switzerland and everything.
- 771 We actually had a a house in Switzerland in the [inaudible] on the
- main street where my Father, my Mother.
- 773 My my Father had these two [2] sisters that were younger than
- 774 him.
- 775 They were there during World War I in that house.
- 776 And uh, and the other sister, she was a nurse in World War I, and
- 777 she died of tuberculosis.
- 778 Because the soldiers they they contracted tuberculosis, and they
- had a big hospital in my home town and.

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- 781 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well, so the I'm sorry.
- 782 The Kuby's were buying up this meat and shipping it around before
- 783 **[00:31:09]**

784 [00:31:09] 785 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: World War I? 786 787 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then ship it to the hotel. 788 Before, yeah, and so my Father -789 790 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: **Before World War I?** 791 792 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Before World War I. 793 [Talking Over Each Other] 794 795 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 796 797 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And my Grandfather and Great 798 Grand - Grandfather, you know, he was a very rich man. 799 And he had a – this big house in Switzerland. 800 But after World War II - after World War I, this - the Swiss 801 government took the house away from us for 'Restitutional War 802 Damage' that the Germans did in World War I. 803 804 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 805 806 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, they had some 807 damage, so they had to - so that house is still there, probably worth 808 maybe ten million dollars. 809 But it's gone, you know.

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- 811 **[00:31:47]**
- 812 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 814 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, -, so, I came over here.
- 815 I wanted to come over here.
- 816 All these things; let me put it this way.
- 817 All these things that weighing on me, because I prayed.
- 818 I prayed what my Grandmother taught me.
- 819 'I prayed let us win the War'.
- 820 'Protect Hitler, protect the soldiers, protect everything'.
- 821 And everything went down sour, you know.
- 822 I mean, The Lord I I started to doubt 'Father in Heaven'.

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- 824 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did you feel lied to by the
- 825 government?

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- 827 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because I was so sincere with
- 828 them.
- 829 And I always saw them, my Grandmother always said that 'Father in
- 830 Heaven, he's an old man, he's a kind old man'.
- 831 And and well, I I thought, I felt bad, because like uh, my
- prayers.
- 833 But my prayers were answered.
- Only one [1] or two [2] of my cousins got killed.
- 835 And my one [1] of my uncles got killed, two [2] of my uncles got
- 836 killed in The War, you know, the rest of them came home.
- 837 **[00:32:53]**

- 838 [00:32:53]
- 839 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Our house was preserved, you
- 840 **know**.
- 841 And not many people uh, they had so much luck, you know.

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843 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.

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- 845 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, when I came back, but I -
- 846 Then in the when we rebuilt Germany, we came back; my Father
- had built up the business a wonderful business.
- 848 And uh, we were just a super super store.
- 849 And we had cars, and we had uh, -, we all had to work with them and
- 850 everything.
- 851 And but, I wanted to be somewhere where the people smile.
- 852 I didn't want to go downtown anymore, and see all these people
- siting by the side of the street with their legs [inaudible] or have no
- arms, or blind.
- 855 And you and you have a hat there, and someone played the piano.
- 856 Or have the the accordion and someone played the violin.
- 857 And and you throw a few pennies in there, you know.
- 858 And I go to that I I want to go where there's happiness.
- 859 I saw these American soldiers, you know, the first [1st] American
- 860 soldiers when we -
- 861 When my Father picked us up from that place out in the country we
- 862 drove back with our bicycles.
- 863 And they were so organized.
- 864 [00:34:06]

865 [00:34:06] 866 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They had on the side of the road, 867 they had a two [2] inch uh, - a four [4] inch pipe with gasoline. 868 And every two [2] or three [3] miles they could fill their cars up with 869 gasoline, you know. 870 871 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Wow. 872 [Talking Over Each Other] 873 874 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they would [inaudible] 875 thousands of cars, you know. 876 And their cars full of soldiers going to 'The Front'. 877 878 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 879 880 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - and then the first [1st] 881 thing what they did, they threw us some boxes, little packages. 882 Sea rations, K rations, you know. 883 884 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 885 886 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And my Father picked them up. 887 And I said, 'what you doing'? 888 He says, 'oh, there's chocolate in it. You're gonna like it'. 889 890 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 891 [00:34:45]

- 892 **[00:34:45]**
- 893 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He said, 'Papa did it, they poison
- 894 us'.
- 895 They we do not they told us.
- 896 And they did some real bad things.
- 897 You know, when we were kids when we were kids, we had to go
- 898 out in the field to to find potato bugs in the potato fields, you
- 899 **know**.
- 900 You know, German number one [1] food is potatoes, you know.

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902 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, really.

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- 904 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And our potatoes never had potato
- 905 bugs.
- You know, the potato beetles, they're little uh, beetles like this.
- 907 And they would drop 'em by the airplanes.
- 908 And in in bottles, and they break, and then all of a sudden our
- 909 potato greens they're all the fields were eaten up.
- 910 And though we finally realized these are potato beetles, you know,
- 911 the the Americans brought them in.
- 912 So, we had to go we had no D.D.T., there was nothing.
- 913 You know, even the so, the uh, we had to go out [inaudible], and
- 914 how crazy the Germans are the we had to collect those beetles.
- 915 Put them in a bottle, and then they put alcohol all over to kill them.
- 916 [Laughter]
- 917 You know, so so it was humane.
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920	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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922	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, it's - so they - they did
923	a few things.
924	For – for instance, another thing they did they would drop uh, - these
925	fountain pens, you know, fountain pens.
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927	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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929	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: All of a sudden you find all these.
930	'Oh, look at that, a fountain pen'.
931	And you opened up the fountain pen and it blew your hand off.
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933	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
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935	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know.
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937	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Gosh.
938	And so the potato beetles were there to ruin the crops, so they could
939	get them to be used
940	[Talking Over Each Other]
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942	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, on – on the – the fountains
943	they would.
944	And then also at the end of The War they had – they shot at
945	[00:36:32]

- 946 **[00:36:32]**
- 947 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: everything moving.
- 948 I was shot at I was bombed at.
- 949 My brother and I I, as a matter of fact, when I was there just uh, -
- 950 three [3] months ago, I went to that little town.
- 951 We were in a truck and uh, two [2] or three [3] planes came diving
- at us and shot at us, and they shot right through the trucks.
- 953 There were about thirty [30] people in it.
- We jumped and ran into the basement, you know, you know, they
- 955 had this the same wrecked [inaudible] is still there.
- 956 And you and you could see the where the guns hit on the side of
- 957 the door.

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- 959 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
- 961 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They're still there, I saw that
- 962 [inaudible].
- 963 And I know it's The War at the end of The War it was terrible.
- And one [1] other thing what I won me over for the the Americans
- 965 was their kindness, you know.
- 966 They were not allowed to give us anything.
- No fraternity with the with the people.
- 968 But the first [1st] when they gave us those those K those
- 969 **K K rations**.
- 971 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
- 972 **[00:37:41]**

- 973 **[00:37:41]**
- 974 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: My Father opened it up and there
- 975 was uh, gum in it, you know.
- 976 Gum we never had gum before.
- 977 And he says, 'that's candy that you never don't swallow it, you can
- 978 use it'.
- 979 And I used the the gum at night.
- 980 I put it on my nightstand and the next day I'd -
- 981 [Talking Over Each Other]

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983 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Chew it again.

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- 985 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, you know, but uh, uh, I
- 986 liked it.
- 987 I he had to show us.
- 988 He actually had to eat the chocolate and we waited for about an hour
- 989 and he wasn't dying, so.

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- 991 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum. Make sure it wasn't
- 992 poison.

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- 994 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, before we ate the chocolate.
- 995 We were so indoctrinated, you know.

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- 997 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
- 998 Well, I mean, they had put in; they had dropped potato beetles on
- 999 **[00:38:20]**

1000 [00:38:20] 1001 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: your crops, so. 1002 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, they – they had a few things 1003 1004 like that but the soldiers [inaudible] used -1005 1006 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. 1007 1008 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They didn't like. 1009 And then, uh, - so one [1] night I looked out at the next door. 1010 We were had a brewery across the street, you know. 1011 And uh, - and they had a uh, - a lot of employees that lived there. 1012 So, they - they took over the - the, you know, the brewery had 1013 maybe fifty [50] vehicles to - to take the beer out, you know. 1014 And they confiscated the whole thing and the American troops moved 1015 in there - for transportation -1016 [Background Noise] 1017 They had all these big uh, - eighteen [18] wheelers, you know. 1018 They were all Blacks; that whole except for the officers they were 1019 White, you know. 1020 1021 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 1022 1023 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And so one [1] night I hear them 1024 making music on - they make music a lot of strange music, you 1025 know. 1026 [00:39:12]

- 1027 **[00:39:12]**
- 1028 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And their [inaudible] they played
- uh, the the 'Lily My Lane', you know, that that they would play
- 1030 that every time.
- 1031 You know, they they liked that German song, you know.
- 1032 So, and I look out the window and then all of a sudden I hear
- someone whistle.
- 1034 You know, and they all whistle like, [making a noise].
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- 1036 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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- 1038 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And and I looked and there was
- 1039 this Black guy and all I could see is his white teeth and the Black
- 1040 face.
- 1041 And he says, 'snaps', you know, he was the guy across the street
- 1042 from us, not quite as wide as this one [1].
- 1043 I said, 'snaps' [sp].
- 1044 Finally he said, 'you want snaps'?
- 1045 'Oh, yeah, snaps', he says.
- 1046 I said, 'how much'?
- He says, 'one [1] bottle, one [1] pound of coffee for one [1] bottle of
- 1048 snaps'.
- 1049 [Background Noise]
- 1050 So, you know, I was a I was a little bit; uh, when you grow up in –
- in the time like that you get a little greedy, you know.
- 1052 And I said, 'two [2] pounds of coffee for one [1] snaps'.
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- 1055 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 1057 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'So, so, okay'.
- 1058 So, he bought the coffee and I gave him the bottle.
- 1059 And I made a friend with him.
- 1060 So, at night they burned all their food what's leftover.
- 1061 You know, I was in The American Army; I come to that later on.
- 1062 And we had the order, everything leftover you burn it, because of
- the bugs.

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1065 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 1067 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They would burn it because of the
- 1068 bugs, but we were hungry.
- 1069 And then the bugs, the Germans, you know.
- 1070 I said, 'you don't have to burn that, oh, it's against the law'.
- 1071 And I said, 'what are you doing'?
- 1072 And he says, 'oh, I'm I put it over there'.
- 1073 You know, they where they make malt when they make malt, you
- 1074 know how they make malt.
- 1075 They take the the barley and they take, and they put it put it with
- 1076 **water**.
- 1077 Run water over it and put it in the basement where there's about
- 1078 **seventy [70] degrees.**
- 1079 And then they wait till they have a little stuff growing, you know, like
- 1080 **[00:41:09]**

- 1081 **[00:41:09]**
- 1082 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: uh, the barley sprouts, you
- 1083 know.
- 1084 Then they rake it all up and put it in a toasting oven.
- 1085 And then they make it brown, and then they cook a [inaudible], and
- 1086 that's make the the brown beer.
- 1087 Then they put hops [sp] in there, and then the yeast, and then they
- 1088 let it ferment, and then you have the beer.
- 1089 And and the hops makes it bitter, the the malt makes it sweet.
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- 1091 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. Agreeing.
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- 1093 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, so the the right
- 1094 combination is, and the more malt it gets darker.
- 1095 And the less malt you make the blond beer, you know.
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- 1097 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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- 1099 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, they were using the Germans
- 1100 to make beer over there, you know.
- 1101 But there was no malt, there was nothing.
- 1102 So, they threw all their food away.
- 1103 **So**, I said, 'okay'.
- 1104 So, I got all the milk cans and all the little pots and pans, and we put
- 1105 it out there.
- 1106 Oh, he says, 'you don't need it'.
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1108 [00:42:02] 1109 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, he came out there every day 1110 after breakfast, after lunch, after dinner. 1111 They put everything in number ten [10] cans, you know, the cans -1112 they threw the cans. 1113 And then he went inside to look for the matches. 1114 When he came out he didn't have to burn anything. 1115 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 1116 Agreeing. 1117 1118 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, and I had a business 1119 going. 1120 1121 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 1122 1123 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, I came home. 1124 My Father said, 'where you get all that stuff'? 1125 I said, 'so and so'. 1126 Then I saw they poured out all the coffee. 1127 You know, we hadn't had coffee for months, and months, and 1128 months, you know. 1129 The Germans would get a pound of coffee maybe a year. 1130 Cause it wasn't, we didn't have no - they - there was none 1131 available. 1132 So, we would get the coffee from them.

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And that coffee was like gold, you know, you could trade a shirt for

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- 1136 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: a pound, a half [1/2] pound of
- 1137 coffee or something like that, you know, back and forth.
- 1138 And then we ran out of snaps [sp], so my Father's cousin was a uh,
- 1139 uh, had a a pharmacist, you know, he had a compounded
- 1140 pharmacy.
- 1141 And they used alcohol to make the drops, you know, to make the
- 1142 different delusions of the medicine.
- 1143 So, he says, 'well, can you make me some snaps'?
- 1144 And he says, 'well, I can make you some snaps'.
- He says, 'I give you one [1] pound of coffee for for a bottle of
- 1146 **snaps**'.
- He said, 'one [1] bottle, oh, yeah, I can make you all you want, you
- 1148 **know**'.
- 1149 [Laughter]
- 1150 So, you know, alcohol wasn't available, you know, but it -
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- 1152 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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- 1154 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, he made the snaps, and he
- 1155 put, sometimes he put anise [sp] flavor or sometimes whiskey.
- 1156 You know, he [inaudible] make it brown like whiskey, and put little -
- sometimes like cognac, you know.
- 1158 Whatever I had a business going.
- 1159 So, one [1] day I saw them they threw all the coffee out.
- 1160 And, you know, in combat over here wasn't a I was mess sergeant
- 1161 **[00:43:52]**

- 1162 **[00:43:52]**
- 1163 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: in the Eighth Army.
- 1164 And uh, when we were on maneuver we would make the coffee up
- 1165 coffee and put condensed milk in and sugar.
- 1166 Everybody gets the same if they if they didn't like sugar, it was too
- 1167 bad, if you like it black.
- 1168 Unless they just happened to come by, you know.
- 1169 They they drank whatever they got, you know.
- 1170 Anyway, so, my gosh, they threw maybe five [5] gallons ten [10] –
- 1171 ten [10] gallons of coffee away.
- 1172 So, I brought all these I got a can out there, and I show you.
- 1173 And I put them over there, and they threw it in our cans and then I
- 1174 came home.
- 1175 And Papa said, 'oh, my gosh, pouring the coffee'.
- 1176 My Grandmother she was she she's oh, she thought she had
- 1177 died and went to heaven.
- 1178 So, so, and it was sweet, you know.
- 1179 So, Papa said, 'what are we gonna do with all that coffee'?
- 1180 So, we gave it to the neighbors, and we gave it to all the people and
- 1181 everything.
- 1182 And then my Father's cousin had uh, a a pastry shop, you know,
- 1183 pastry shop.
- 1184 And he had these ice cream machines.
- 1185 So, he says, 'we gonna make slush', you know, because, you know,
- so he made that coffee.
- 1187 On the [inaudible] we didn't get ice they had they had no ice.
- 1188 **[00:45:09]**

- 1189 **[00:45:09]**
- 1190 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, another friend of my Father
- 1191 had the ice cream, the ice ice house.
- 1192 You know, he made those big blocks of ice that they weigh about
- fifty [50] pounds a piece, you know.
- 1194 So, he would give us for a pound of coffee, we could get a week's
- long ice every day.
- 1196 And we had to break it up, and then we had to churn the what what
- the guy, what my uncle not get we churned ourselves.
- 1198 [Background Noise]
- 1199 And Papa would put a little bit uh, extra stuff in it, food and
- 1200 something like that.
- 1201 And made ice with strawberry, or we, you know, we put some
- 1202 chocolate.
- 1203 And one [1] time my Grandmother invented a new ice cream.
- 1204 She used sour cream, and uh, put little pieces of dark chocolate,
- 1205 and mixed it all up.
- 1206 And it tasted really good, you know.
- 1207 Anything tastes good when you're hungry, you know.
- 1208 And uh, so we existed.
- 1209 [Background Noise]
- 1210 And it was it [inaudible] and we had no school.
- We had no school for close to two [2] years, because they they
- burned all the books up.
- 1213 The Americans came in there all the books, because Adolph Hitler put
- in each book a picture was Adolph Hitler.
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- 1216 **[00:46:30]**
- 1217 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He said, 'education is the is your
- 1218 way to to become uh, a man or you're you're to support the -
- 1219 the State, to the government'.
- 1220 You can, to the, you know, education is number one [1].

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- 1222 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, that was published in all
- 1223 the books?

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- 1225 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: In every book was [inaudible].
- 1226 [Talking Over Each Other]
- 1227 But the first [1st] the first [1st] pages, you know.

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1229 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.

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- 1231 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. All they would have to do is
- 1232 tear tear these pages out.
- 1233 They burn all the books and we had no books.
- 1234 So, they they came up; oh, somebody found uh, some books from
- my uncle.
- 1236 Oh, there was a book on Chemistry, a book on on uh, -, Physics,
- you know, from nineteen-twenty [1920], you know.
- 1238 So, that's what we could use when it was before Hitler.
- We didn't hear any history about the Germans.
- 1240 We couldn't teach any Histories till uh, uh, even before eighteen-
- 1241 **seventy [1870]**.
- 1242 **[00:47:24]**

- 1243 **[00:47:24]**
- 1244 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The War with France, it was
- 1245 Napoleon [sp] was on back, we couldn't get.
- 1246 [Background Noise]
- We got all The Middle Ages, you ask me about Middle Ages.
- 1248 I tell you the old antiques, I know everything about that.
- 1249 That's that's what we learned in school, you know.
- 1250 And I just could not take that anymore.
- 1251 I said, 'why? And I want to be happy like these Americans'.
- 1252 Then I found out that my Father's cousin is in America.
- 1253 And I said, well, and most of the people they would get packages
- 1254 from their friends here in The America.
- 1255 We did never get anything from him.
- 1256 So, he was the black sheep of the family.

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1258 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 1260 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And he when he my Father's
- 1261 uncle died it was his Father.
- He came out and went to the funeral, and uh, Bill, he was from
- 1263 **South Texas**.
- 1264 He lived in McAllen, Texas, in in actually in San Juan, Texas.
- 1265 And uh, so Bill was in America.
- 1266 Now why does he [inaudible]?
- He says, 'oh, he's he owes me money because he was a gambler'.
- 1268 And, you know, he came out there to his Father's funeral, and got a
- 1269 **[00:48:43]**

1270 [00:48:43] 1271 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: little bit of money when his Father 1272 died what he left him. 1273 And then he [inaudible], so, my Father had to pay his trip back to 1274 America. 1275 [Laughter] 1276 You know, in the thirties [1930's], you know. 1277 1278 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 1279 1280 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, anyway, I said, 'why can't we 1281 write him'? 1282 'Well, we don't have an address or nothing'. 1283 Now he had a sister and she was [inaudible] Emmy, Aunt Emmy. 1284 And she was married to The Chief of Police of Paris. 1285 You know, she was a French girl. And I said, uh, - you know, we were on the border. 1286 1287 And so, [inaudible] so, I - she came out to visit us. 1288 And she brought the first [1st] time, I never - I never seen it before. 1289 She brought cantaloupes, you know, we didn't - never see a melon. 1290 1291 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: From South Texas? 1292 1293 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, from – from – from South 1294 France. 1295

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- 1297 **[00:49:38]**
- 1298 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. Yeah.

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- 1300 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, so, and she said so, my
- 1301 Father told her, 'you know, that crazy guy he wants to go to
- 1302 America'.
- 1303 And she said, 'did you write to Bill'?
- 1304 And he says, 'well we don't have no address'.
- 1305 He says, 'I I go write him.'
- 1306 And I have applied for Brazil.
- 1307 I had applied for Canada.
- 1308 I had applied for America, uh, Australia.
- 1309 They would pay the way to go there.
- 1310 I had a permit to go to to those three [3] countries.
- 1311 I had my trip to go to Canada.
- 1312 I left for Canada, and the night before I had an accident and I
- 1313 couldn't go.
- 1314 And I had just got my money back.
- 1315 I I worked my way over, and was supposed to work on the
- 1316 freighter for fifty dollars [\$50.00].
- 1317 They pay me fifty dollars [\$50.00].
- 1318 And I work on the freighter as a a waiter, you know, to to go to
- 1319 **Canada**.
- 1320 Well, I didn't [inaudible].
- 1321 So, right then I get this letter from from Texas, and it was
- 1322 addressed to me.
- 1323 **[00:50:44]**

- 1324 **[00:50:44]**
- 1325 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they were waiting for me to
- come home from school.
- 1327 And I said, [inaudible] was it, you know, I I was really shaky, and I
- 1328 opened it up.
- 1329 And he says, 'listen, I know what you go through, I went through
- that same thing, you don't want to go to Canada'.
- 1331 'You need some help'.
- 1332 I went to New York, and I had one [1] friend in New York, and he
- helped me get my feet on the ground.
- 1334 And he says, 'you come and see me over here'.
- 1335 And he had to put up a letter of credit for twenty thousand dollars
- 1336 **[\$20,000]**.
- 1337 But then I was married and I had a son that was eight [8] months
- 1338 **old**.
- 1339 And it took two [2] years before I get my papers to go to America.
- 1340 I had to qualify that I was not a Nazi; I that I didn't have uh, -
- 1341 Socialist Socialistic tendency.
- 1342 I was not a Communist; that I had a uh, a Police record.
- 1343 I had uh, I had to be healthy.
- 1344 You know, I had to go to to the German doctors, and then I had to
- 1345 go to the American doctors in Franklin and my wife too.
- 1346 And then the my wife, they send her to; this is a funny thing too.
- 1347 She had a a molar it was bad.
- 1348 And he says, 'that molar has to come out'.
- 1349 So, she went to her dentist, and this guy was a a donkert [sp], and
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- 1352 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: he pulled the the tooth next to
- 1353 it.

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1355 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 1357 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, I nearly went over there to
- raise cane but anyway.
- 1359 He he said, 'okay, I I draw, I pull that other one [1] out too'.

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1361 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Sure.

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- 1363 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He pulled that teeth.
- 1364 The long story; my wife, my son, Marcus, who was uh, eight [8]
- months old, and myself.
- 1366 We hired out to The Holland America Line.
- 1367 I paid uh, fifty dollars [\$50.00]; my wife paid fifty dollars [\$50.00];
- for the little boy, we paid five dollars [\$5.00] to come over here.
- 1369 And I had to help serve in the kitchen, you know, the food, you know.
- 1370 They had about eighteen eighteen [18] passengers.
- 1371 It was a uh, the the boat was called The Alabaster Dyke [sp].
- 1372 And it was a freighter about uh, nine thousand [9,000] tons, a small
- 1373 **ship**.
- 1374 And we left Amberg [sp] on the thirteenth [13th] of August; the
- thirteenth [13th] of uh, April, nineteen-fifty-six [1956], and came to
- 1376 Texas three [3] weeks later.
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1379	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Can we stop? Go, ahead,
1380	I'm sorry.
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1382	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Huh?
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1384	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: I – I was gonna ask if we
1385	could step back real quick, and what?
1386	What – did you have the opportunity to take over the butcher shop in
1387	Germany, or?
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1389	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, yeah, cause I was the oldest
1390	one [1], you know, and I named it.
1391	The butcher shop was in the name of 'Karl Kuby'.
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1393	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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1395	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: My grandfather; see my - the
1396	Kuby's uh, - they always said, 'we are descendants [sp] of Charles
1397	Main [sp]', you know.
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1399	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, yeah.
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1401	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, and they always had a
1402	Karl in the family.
1403	You know, that means Karl is Charles, you know.
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1405 [00:54:09] 1406 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 1407 1408 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The Germany, well, I do Gen -1409 Genealogy work; I'm back to one thousand [1,000] now. 1410 On my Mother's line, whose name is Urschel [sp]. 1411 Has nothing to do with The Kuby's. 1412 But I found they are Dukes and Counts, and they go back to one 1413 thousand [1,000]. 1414 And the place where - where that guy is - is about a hundred and 1415 twenty [120] miles from where Charles Main [sp] reigned. 1416 And I wouldn't be surprised that Charles Main [sp] had a bunch of 1417 illegitimate children, you know. 1418 [Talking Over Each Other] So, I might we having a little Charles Main [sp], [inaudible] but not 1419 1420 through my Father's line. 1421 1422 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. [Laughter] 1423 1424 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, - so, anyway, but uh, -, we 1425 made it; we stopped in Cuba for three [3] days to unload. 1426 You know, we - and then we picked up some more stuff and then we 1427 took it to Miami. 1428 But we couldn't go off the board, because my - I could not go off 1429 board except in Houston, you know. 1430

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1433	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Houston? Okay.
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1435	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. So, when we came into
1436	Houston, then we came off aboard, and I walked out.
1437	And I see this guy walk around with a sign, 'Karl Kuby – Karl Kuby'.
1438	And I say, 'well, that's my name'; I mean, [inaudible].
1439	And I walked over there, and he says, 'Oh, Bill sent me out here to
1440	pick you up and put you on an airplane and fly you to McAllen.'
1441	I said, 'okay'.
1442	So, he [inaudible], my cousin had uh, - about twenty [20] crop
1443	dusters.
1444	You know, he - he educated the B52's; he had the B uh, - twenty
1445	[20] – twenty-fours [24], the bombers.
1446	He – he trained the pilots for the – for the B24's in World War II.
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1448	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
1449	So, they didn't - I was wondering about that, cause there was -
1450	there's some Concentration Camps in South Texas at the time.
1451	I guess they didn't bother your?
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1453	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, no, no, no.
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1455	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: They didn't try to do that?
1456	Put him in there or anything like that?
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- 1459 **[00:56:21]**
- 1460 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, no, no, they didn't.
- 1461 When he I was there with Bill, and I.
- 1462 So, Bill came to the airport in McAllen; [inaudible] The Trans Trans
- 1463 Texas Airline with a DC3.
- 1464 My poor wife, she was sea sick on on the boat.
- 1465 Uh, -, we we were twenty-one [21] days on that boat.
- 1466 And I'm telling you, three [3] days we were in a big storm, you
- 1467 **know**.
- 1468 In the spring time you have a lot of storm there.
- 1469 And we were right outside of Dover, and they couldn't move, because
- 1470 and that horn goes [making noise].
- 1471 And then you hear the [making noise], [making noise], [making
- noise], and then there was a everybody stand still.
- 1473 You know, because they were afraid they run into each other.
- 1474 There were no radar like that today, you know.

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1476 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.

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- 1478 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then finally we made it.
- 1479 Then when it, but she would be so sea sick.
- 1480 The only one [1] that wasn't sea sick is my son.
- 1481 He was the happiest little kid [inaudible].
- 1482 So, I was out there and uh, and I helped.
- 1483 I had the boy at night, and I started getting sea sick too, because my
- 1484 wife was so sea sick.
- 1485 **[00:57:29]**

1486 [00:57:29] 1487 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And so the – the first [1st] mate; 1488 the - the steer man, you know, the - the next in command after the 1489 captain, he was German. 1490 And he told me, he says, 'well, when you get sea sick, you walk up to 1491 the front of the ship, to the bough, and hold yourself right there, and 1492 let that ice cold water flow over you'. 1493 'And you lose your sea sickness, you get okay'. 1494 And I did that; I walked up there, and those waves, they came up, 1495 and I got good. 1496 They went ten [10] - fifteen [15] feet higher than me, you know. 1497 And I was just soaking wet. 1498 And I came back, and he said, 'where you come from'? 1499 And I said, 'well, I told you what you did'. 1500 And he said, 'no, I was just joking'. 1501 1502 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 1503 So it didn't work. [Laughter] 1504 1505 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, it worked, it worked. 1506 1507 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, it did work. [Laughter] 1508 1509 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I was scared to death to get it 1510 again. 1511

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1513 [00:58:20] 1514 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 1515 1516 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, I – [Laughter] 1517 So, we came down and then on the way down, and she got, my wife 1518 got even air sick. 1519 I said, 'you get everything'. 1520 And he - and then we were down, and then she got home sick. 1521 1522 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] Oh. 1523 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: That was the worse one [1]. 1524 1525 And then we came to Texas and it was just like coming to paradise. 1526 You know, I mean, the first [1st] meal I got; I never forget it. They came out the kids; he had kids that were [inaudible] a bit little 1527 1528 younger. I was twenty-four [24] years; twenty-three [23] years old. 1529 1530 Wait a minute; yeah, twenty-three [23] years old. 1531 So, the first [1st] meal we had they came and brought us a 1532 cantaloupe from the field cut in half [1/2]. 1533 They filled it that much with vanilla ice cream. 1534 And man-oh-man, my wife went; 'What is that? What is this'? 1535 And I said, 'that's a cantaloupe'; and I – I knew it from my – my Aunt 1536 from France, you know. 1537 And but I never ate it with vanilla ice cream in it. 1538 I thought it was the best stuff ever. 1539 [00:59:28]

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1541	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I was down there and he took
1542	me to a grocery store.
1543	And the – and the manager was a Jewish guy by the name of 'Bruno'.
1544	[Background Noise]
1545	Bruno was uh, - I think he was from Germany; he was from - from
1546	The Rhine Land.
1547	And he says, 'I teach you all about the groceries; the grocery store.'
1548	'And you a butcher?'
1549	'Yeah, I said, I make you a butcher; American cutting.'
1550	And I said, 'Okay, uh, - [inaudible].
1551	And I said, 'I really don't like that too much.'
1552	And he says, 'Well, I got another job for you.'
1553	So, he took me to the Marr [taking a breath] - to The Marr Meat
1554	Packing Company in – in San Juan, Texas; these were Canadians.
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1556	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: The Marr?
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1558	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Marr Meat Packing; they don't
1559	exist anymore.
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1561	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Do you know how?
1562	How did you spell it?
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1564	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: M, A, R, R.
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1567 [01:00:22] 1568 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 1569 1570 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And there was uh, - Jack, Bob, and 1571 Henry – Henry – Henry Marr – Jack and Bob, they were the owners. 1572 They were Canadians. 1573 And Bob Marr was a - he was in The British Navy during World War I 1574 - - World - World War II, you know. 1575 And he was a cusser, you know, he - he really could cuss like a 1576 sailor. 1577 You know, British Navy they're - they're known for that. 1578 So, I came in that business, and uh, -, 'so, what do you'? 'Well we want you to make sausage'. 1579 1580 And I said, 'okay'. 1581 I have never seen anything like this in my life. 1582 They were making - there was another meat packing company out 1583 there. 1584 And it was Hinojosa in - in Harlin - in Harlingen - Hinojosa, and they 1585 were big - bigger. 1586 And we only – we had about sixty [60] employees, you know. 1587 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 1588 Sure. 1589 1590 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - so, we would make 1591 wieners; number one [1] wieners; number two [2] wieners.

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Number one [1] bologna; number two [2] bologna.

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1594 [01:01:48] 1595 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I'm telling you, I have never 1596 knew that you could make bologna out of - out of flour and milk, you 1597 know. 1598 I had never seen that; so they made the number two [2] bologna, 1599 they used uh, - twenty [20] pounds of meat; twenty [20] pounds of 1600 flour; twenty [20] pounds of milk powder; and uh, - sixty [60] 1601 pounds of ice. 1602 Chop it up, and then they put coloring in it, and spices, and they -1603 and they make that. 1604 Then we put them in the smoke house and smoke them overnight. 1605 It was the number one [1]; it was more like bread than - than - than 1606 meat, you know. 1607 1608 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, like a - so, make a third 1609 [3rd] meat? 1610 1611 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 1612 1613 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 1614 1615 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then to make the number one 1616 [1] we used sixty [60] pounds of meat, and not quite as much stuff. 1617 And it was a fairly; it was okay. 1618 And so, they would sell that to the store.

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And they put the expiration date on it.

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- 1621 **[01:02:51]**
- 1622 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, they had to guarantee
- it one [1] week since they were a small business.
- 1624 So, after the one [1] week, they get that back what what didn't
- 1625 **sell**.
- 1626 You know, they picked it up, they they they get it one [1] day –
- 1627 one [1] day delivery one [1] week.
- 1628 One [1] day they went to this store on every Thursday.
- 1629 And they take the old one [1] off and put on the new one [1].
- 1630 And then they put it and they and we had a cooler that was about
- three [3] times as big as these two [2] rooms together, you know.
- 1632 And they had them full of barrels fifty-five [55] gallon barrels
- 1633 with where olives came in.
- 1634 You know, we made an olive loaf pickle and olive loaf.
- 1635 And and uh, they used the the olives they come pickled.
- 1636 You know, they come in a vinegar solution.
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- 1638 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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- 1640 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they put all these packages
- with the paper and with the mold, and everything in those barrels
- and they left them there.
- 1643 And I said, 'what do you do with it?'
- 1644 'Oh, you will see, that is that's our money maker'.
- 1645 **'What you I'?**
- 1646 Anyway, so, here comes the cutting season.
- 1647 **[01:04:09]**

- 1648 **[01:04:09]**
- 1649 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And at that time they had 'for
- sales', you know, 'for sales'.

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1652 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 1654 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And my cousin had he had
- 1655 fifteen hundred [1,500] acres.
- 1656 But he was mainly in the crop dusting business.
- 1657 He flew twenty [20] twenty [20] airplanes.
- 1658 I said, 'can I fly?'
- 1659 And he says, 'Oh, I might take you with me'.
- 1660 And my wife found out that I wanted to fly.
- And she says, 'no, I don't want to be married to; I don't want to be a
- 1662 widow, don't do that please.'
- 1663 And I said, 'okay, I am not gonna do it', you know.
- 1664 So, I wouldn't fly.
- 1665 So, I went to that meat packing.
- 1666 So, we make that sausage.
- 1667 And on the Tuesday when the cutting season came, all these 'for
- 1668 sales' came in.
- 1669 They take all that them barrels, and there was that much mold on
- 1670 **top**.
- 1671 They threw that mold out, and then they open these packages up.
- 1672 And they wash them with; they put them in a big barrel and wash
- 1673 them all up.
- 1674 **[01:05:13]**

- 1675 **[01:05:13]**
- 1676 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then they grind them up and
- put chili powder with it.
- 1678 Stuffed them and make chorizo out of it.
- 1679 I mean, and the Mexicans would say, 'Are we killing all the Mexicans;
- 1680 we're killing all the Mexicans.'
- 1681 I said, 'oh, my gosh, I cannot do this.'

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- 1683 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I went to the boss, and I said,
- 1684 'you know, that's that's you cannot do this this is you kill
- 1685 people.'
- 1686 'No, these Mexicans they like it, you know, you've got to put a lot of
- [inaudible] a lot of hot peppers in it that's all it, you know.'
- 1688 They put eggs with it, you know, and I but uh, I never tasted one
- 1689 **[1]**.
- 1690 So, but then I noticed also when I made the regular sausage; every
- morning I people put in maybe thirty [30] pieces that weighed
- about thirty [30] pounds a piece.
- 1693 You know, that big, and then they put them in a machine and sliced
- 1694 them up.
- 1695 You know, and we smoked them overnight.
- 1696 In the morning I I had to come in, and I worked from six o'clock
- 1697 **[6:00]** till six o'clock **[6:00]**.
- 1698 And then at eight o'clock [8:00] I had to put the sausage in for the
- 1699 **next day**.
- 1700 And I had to come in a little bit early to take them out, so they're out
- 1701 **[01:06:29]**

- 1702 **[01:06:29]**
- 1703 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: by six o'clock [6:00] in the
- morning.
- 1705 And then we had to shower and cool them off.
- 1706 And then put them in the cooler.
- 1707 Then they peeled them and they sliced them up.
- 1708 But every day I would say, ten [10] ten percent [10%] twenty
- percent [20%] of what the sausages would pop open.
- 1710 And I said to the the boss I said I said, 'there's bacterias in it –
- 1711 and that's why they break.'
- 1712 You know, that gas breaks them and that that's why you have so
- much [inaudible], you shouldn't have that much [inaudible].
- 1714 [Background Noise]
- 1715 Well, they didn't didn't believe me.
- 1716 So, the salesman came in there from the from the spice company.
- 1717 And I I showed him that, and he said, 'They make they really
- 1718 make that?'
- 1719 And I said, 'yes, that's what they do.'
- He says, 'you know, that is number one [1], doesn't the inspector say
- 1721 anything?'
- 1722 And I think they had to inspect on on the payroll, because he didn't
- 1723 always look the other way.
- 1724 You know, he never came when we made that stuff.
- 1725 Anyway, so, I said, 'what would happen if I take all that stuff and
- 1726 throw it out?"
- 1727 Throw the whole thing out that's that's all those barrels.
- 1728 **[01:07:46]**

- 1729 **[01:07:46]**
- 1730 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And we cleaned it; and in that
- time these walls they were cork insulated.
- 1732 They were about sixteen [1] inches thick and cork is porous.
- 1733 And that had that had that mold right in between that cork.
- 1734 So, I I went over there and I said to the boss.
- 1735 I said, after I was there about a year and an a half, and I said, uh, -
- 1736 'I like to throw that all away, and you can fire me if I don't have
- 1737 success'.
- 1738 'And we will never have another sausage that will break at night.'
- 1739 And I finally convinced him.
- 1740 So, I threw everything away.
- 1741 But I did not know that it was so much in the wall.
- 1742 So, we had to cut the wall; and I stayed day and night.
- 1743 I went inside and we put them cork insulation back in another new
- 1744 one [1].
- 1745 And then put epoxy paint on it and painted it.
- 1746 And finally I had the sausages that I could be proud of.
- 1747 You know, even the number two [2] sausages; I cut them down and I
- 1748 I fixed them where they would taste like meat, but the number one
- 1749 **[1] wieners**.
- 1750 And them Mr. H.E. Butt, you know, the one [1] from Central Market.
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- 1752 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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- 1754 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The old man, he came to me.
- 1755 **[01:09:09]**

- 1756 **[01:09:09]**
- 1757 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He says, 'I would like to make
- some wieners like they're making in Germany, and Liverwurst, and
- 1759 stuff like that.'
- 1760 And I said, 'you have a market for it?'
- 1761 And he says, 'there will be some market; and I will buy a lot for the
- 1762 Harlingen Country Club.'
- 1763 You know, he was the President of the Harlingen Country Club.
- 1764 So, I made for him wieners and stuff and we made.
- 1765 And then the the boss gave me; I would work for sixty [\$60] –
- 1766 forty-five dollars [\$45] a week.
- 1767 Sixty [60] to seventy [70] hours, you know, I work Saturdays.
- 1768 And I had to come back at night and all that.
- 1769 And uh, finally he gave me seventy-five dollars [\$75] a week.
- 1770 And I and then I made that sausage, and I I would get uh, ten
- cents a pound from that sausage I made for H.E. Butt.
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- 1773 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, you were doing this
- 1774 separate from The Marr?
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- 1776 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, yeah, we made it H.E.
- 1777 Butt label.
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- 1779 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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- 1781 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, we had and we we
- 1782 **[01:10:20]**

- 1783 **[01:10:20]**
- 1784 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: had a fairly good success.
- 1785 But, you know, German sausages, you don't use preservatives in it.
- 1786 You know, and -

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1788 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: There's no filler.

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- 1790 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: There's no filler no nothing on it.
- 1791 The people loved it; they used to come and buy it from us.
- 1792 And then then when they came from the the people came to the
- store to the to the factory and bought it.
- 1794 And Mr. Butt got the whole of it; and he says, 'well, you you that's
- 1795 not right, you know.'
- 1796 They would sell everybody.
- 1797 They'd come in –and get I sold to the farmers.
- 1798 There was a lot of German farmers there.
- 1799 So, anyway, I I finally made about a hundred dollars [\$100] a week
- 1800 in that factory.
- 1801 And one [1] day, you know, you know what a Norther is a Norther?

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1803 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: A Norther?

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1805 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.

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1807 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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1809 **[01:11:10]**

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1811	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They said, 'there's a Norther
1812	coming.'
1813	And I said, 'Oh, my gosh, our - our floor furnace, you know, they had
1814	a thermostat.
1815	And one [1] of them was not working.
1816	Oh, I bought a house, and I've got to tell you.
1817	The first [1st] house I rented was one [1] of those uh, - tourists.
1818	You know, they – they used to call them uh, -?
1819	What they call it - the, you know, the - the Northerners?
1820	They would – they would [inaudible]?
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1822	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Uh, -?
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1824	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The tourists they would come
1825	during the – the wintertime.
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1827	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, what do they call
1828	them?
1829	Uh, - Winter Texans, there's something - there's something else -
1830	[Talking Over Each Other]
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1832	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Something like that, yeah.
1833	And uh, - I may come to the name; and they have a special name.
1834	And they – and in summertime, those – those – those cottages
1835	[Background Noise]
1836	[01:11:57]

1837 [01:11:57] 1838 FEMALE: I think birds. 1839 1840 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Uh, -, I don't know what 1841 they're called? 1842 1843 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Birds, yeah, they're - they're the 1844 birds, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. 1845 They did come – anyway, so we rented that – one [1] of those 1846 cottages for forty dollars [\$40] a month. 1847 Had two [2] bedrooms, no one [1] big bedroom, and - and a living 1848 room and the kitchen. 1849 [Background Noise] 1850 And one [1] night the baby was crying, and I turned the light on. 1851 And I'm not kidding you, there were thousands of bugs running 1852 around there; they looked that big. 1853 And I said, 'my gosh', and my wife said, 'ooh', she screamed, and she 1854 - she never knew that - that [inaudible]. 1855 And, you know, when it - at night when the - when the shadow; they 1856 make them look twice as big, you know. 1857 1858 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Laughter. 1859 1860 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'oh'. 1861 So, I came back to the boss, and I said, 'I have to move, I cannot be 1862 in that thing.'

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- 1864 **[01:12:50]**
- 1865 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He says, 'okay, I tell you what, my
- 1866 neighbor, Bob [inaudible] said that my neighbor is moving back to -
- 1867 to Alaska.
- 1868 He was down here from Alaska, because his wife doesn't like the -
- 1869 the cold up there.
- 1870 And he build this house there, and it was a three [3] bedroom, brand
- new house and he hasn't moved in yet, you know.
- 1872 And he says, 'his wife got allergic to something down at the cropping
- 1873 dusting, you know, and everything'.
- 1874 And then he says, 'he sell it to you'.
- 1875 And I said, 'I don't have that kind of money'.
- 1876 And he says, 'oh, he make it worthwhile'.
- 1877 So, I said, 'how much you want for it'?
- He said, 'nine thousand five hundred dollars [\$9,500] for a three [3]
- 1879 bedroom house on a one [1] acre lot'.
- 1880 So, I said, 'how much he wants down at a thousand dollars
- 1881 **[\$1,000]**′?
- 1882 I said, 'well, I have the thousand dollars [\$1,000], you know, I I
- 1883 think never buy anything on a dime'.
- 1884 You know, I just when I had the money I bought another chair.
- 1885 When I did, you know, this type of thing.
- 1887 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
- 1889 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'well, I have that much
- 1890 **[01:14:03]**

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- 1891 **[01:14:03]**
- 1892 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: sum of money saved for the down
- 1893 payment'.
- 1894 So, the old man, he said, 'come here, I tell you what'.
- 1895 'I buy the house for you, and you pay me seventy-five dollars [\$75]
- and you make a down payment'.
- 1897 We bought it for eighty-five hundred dollars [\$8,500]; he made the
- deal, eighty-five hundred dollars [\$8,500].
- 1899 I paid a thousand [\$1,000] down at seventy-five hundred dollars
- 1900 **[\$7,500]**.
- 1901 'And you pay a thousand [\$1,000]; seventy-five dollars {\$75] a
- month, and uh, so, in twelve [12] years it's yours'.
- 1903 So, I said, 'well, that's okay, you know'.
- 1904 I did that and we had a brand new house.
- 1905 I had to straighten out the sprinkler system, you know.
- 1906 We could use the the floor, the they flood your your yard.
- 1907 We could uh, once a month we could flood the yard from the canal.
- 1908 You just open up the canal and you flood your yard; put that much
- 1909 water in it; and knew it was okay.
- 1910 We had another baby; we had another, and they had these floor
- 1911 furnaces.

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- 1912 And we had uh, an exhaust system; what do you call it?
- 1913 [Talking Over Each Other]
- 1915 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, the exhaust fan?
- 1917 **[01:15:28]**

1918 [01:15:28] 1919 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Attic fan - attic fan. 1920 1921 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, yeah. 1922 1923 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No air conditioning. 1924 1925 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 1926 1927 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I – and then I – I bought a 1928 car for four hundred dollars [\$400]. 1929 And uh, - so, [inaudible] - so, one [1] of those furnaces broke down. 1930 The furnace broke down. 1931 Oh, that Norther is coming; you have to get this thing. So, it was a Wednesday night; I come home at six o'clock [6:00]. 1932 1933 I just changed my clothes, because I always smell, you know, when 1934 you come from a smokehouse you smell like a smokehouse. 1935 1936 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 1937 1938 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And she didn't like that. 1939 So, we had a little wash room in - on the outside. 1940 I just put all my clothes in the washing machine and run it. 1941 So, and I said, 'I go to Sears and Roebuck down in McAllen and buy 1942 the - the thermostat'. 1943 And uh, - and when I got out of the car, my gosh, it was already cold.

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1945 [01:16:25] 1946 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, I went inside and got me a 1947 jacket, you know, I didn't know. 1948 It was the first [1st] time I really realized it the Norther could come 1949 that quick. 1950 And I drove on, and when I came to the highway, it was already 1951 sleeting, you know, cold like the Dickens. 1952 1953 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hit real fast. 1954 1955 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I drive by the - by the 1956 railroad station. 1957 And I thought I saw a couple of people standing there like this by the 1958 side of the road. 1959 And I said, 'oh, I can't let those poor people standing there'. 1960 So, I stopped, backed up, and I said, 'there were two [2] young 1961 man'. 1962 I said uh, - 'you - where you want to go in this kind of weather'? 1963 'Oh, we have to go to McAllen'. 1964 I said, 'oh, I'm going to McAllen, I'm happy to take you'. 1965 'Oh, you would? Yeah, that is wonderful, you know'. 1966 And they came in there, and, you know, at that time they [inaudible] 1967 had a big old bench in the front, and a bench in the back, you know. 1968 1969 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 1970 1971 [01:17:32]

- 1972 **[01:17:32]**
- 1973 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I had a two [2] door, and so, -
- 1974 so they sit next to me, you know.
- 1975 And that that was one [1] good thing about this Oldsmobile; they
- 1976 had the best heaters, you know, you know.
- 1977 And I look over there; and they had all kind of books, and they
- 1978 looked like church books.
- 1979 [Background Noise]
- 1980 And I said, 'uh, where are they going'?
- 1981 They want to go to church, you know.
- 1982 And Wednesday night down there in the country, they would have
- 1983 Bible Night; Bible Study Night, you know.
- 1984 And I said, 'oh, you go to Bible Study'?
- 1985 And he says, 'no, no, we are missionaries.'
- 1986 I said, 'missionaries; there's a church on every corner in the country,
- 1987 you know, there's a church everywhere'.
- 1988 'We don't need no missionaries over here; you got to go to Africa to
- 1989 be missionaries'.
- 1990 'No, no, we are missionaries'.
- 1991 And I said, 'well, you're missionaries, but I'm not gonna talk to you
- 1992 anymore'.
- 1993 And uh, I took them to McAllen, and uh, and I was at Sears and
- 1994 Roebuck, and I was letting letting them out.
- 1995 And he said, 'our apartment is right behind us, right here.'
- 1996 I said, 'oh', and then I took them over to the apartment, and then I
- 1997 **went**.
- 1998 **[01:18:41]**

- 1999 **[01:18:41]**
- 2000 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And as they go out, and I and I
- saw those poor guys; they were about; one [1] of them was a little
- 2002 older; maybe twenty-five [25] years old.
- 2003 And the other one [1] was maybe eighteen [18]; nineteen [19].
- 2004 I said, 'missionaries, you're really missionaries'?
- 2005 'What kind of missionaries are you'?
- 2006 And he says, 'oh, we are Mormon missionaries'.
- 2007 I never heard that name, 'Mormon', before, you know, I never knew.
- 2008 I said, 'oh, then you are Muslims'.
- 2009 'I can understand you're trying to convince us to do pray pray to
- 2010 Allah'.
- 2011 And they said, 'no, [inaudible] our the head of our church is Jesus
- 2012 Christ'.
- 2013 I I said, 'I'm Lutheran'.
- 2014 'I'm perfectly happy; I go to the Lutheran Church, but uh, what is
- 2015 so different that you teach'?
- 2016 And uh, -, they said, 'well, we teach where us human beings come
- 2017 from'.
- 2018 'What is the purpose of life; and what happens after they die'?
- 2019 And I said, 'well, nobody ever told me that exactly'.
- 2020 'You know, I think, you know, we come from Heavenly Father, you
- 2021 know, in details, you have details everything, yeah'.
- 2022 I said, 'you know, I said if they're willing to go out there for' -
- They said, 'you go for two and a half [2 ½] years, at that time they
- go in the mission to teach that gospel'.
- 2025 **[01:20:21]**

- 2026 **[01:20:21]**
- 2027 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'it must be; they must
- 2028 be believing that, you know'.
- 2029 And so, I want to know a little bit more about that.
- 2030 So, I said, 'why don't you come by my house, and uh, -, explain it to
- 2031 me'?
- 2032 And they said, 'yes, be happy to come, you know'.

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2034 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 2036 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, [Laughter] so, I said, 'well,
- 2037 here's my telephone number; you call and then uh, I'm usually
- 2038 home, you know, after six o'clock [6:00]'.
- 2039 And I left them; and they thanked me; they were nice, and I went
- and bought my part and I came back, and I put it there, and I forgot
- 2041 to tell my wife about it, you know.
- 2042 And I forgot all about it, and one [1] night about maybe six [6]
- 2043 weeks later she called me at work.
- 2044 And she says, 'by the way there's somebody coming with his wife
- 2045 [inaudible]'.
- 2046 And uh, you know, she didn't speak English very well, and he said
- 2047 'companion'.
- 2048 So, he said, 'that meant his wife, you know'.
- 2049 He says, 'if somebody come with his wife stop in Pharr, Texas by the
- 2050 7-11, by the convenience store'.
- 2051 'That's the only place we could buy beer'.
- 2052 **[01:21:30]**

- 2053 **[01:21:30]**
- 2054 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'And buy a six [6] pack of Lone
- 2055 Star Beer, because these Americans they always a beer when they
- come to the house', we didn't drink, you know, I didn't have no beer
- in the house.
- 2058 And uh, -, so, I said, 'okay'.
- 2059 So, I went by there, bought a six [6] pack of beer; I think it was a
- 2060 dollar and a half [\$1.50]; I think the whole thing.
- 2061 And I put it the come home and I put in the refrigerator.
- 2062 And we waited, and sure enough at six o'clock [6:00] the doorbell
- 2063 rang and I opened up the door.
- 2064 And there was those two [2] guys, and I said, 'oh, it's you; I thought
- 2065 that it was your wife'.
- 2066 And he said, 'oh, no, no, no, you know, I don't have a wife'.
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- 2068 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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- 2070 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'Just my companion and I'.
- 2071 And I said, 'oh, my wife thought she she was coming'.
- 2072 So, that's how I became a Mormon, you know, and I became a
- 2073 **Mormon**.
- 2074 It was six [6] weeks before I six [6] months before I left down in
- 2075 The Valley, it was in February.
- 2076 And uh, it enticed the fact that uh, you have to pay a tiding.
- 2077 You were you have to you cannot smoke you cannot drink
- 2078 coffee you cannot drink wine or whiskey.
- 2079 **[01:22:47]**

- 2080 **[01:22:47]**
- 2081 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I had no problem with this,
- 2082 because I didn't drink; I didn't not that I I drink a beer every
- 2083 once in a while, I do.
- 2084 But uh, I I did not drink coffee I didn't like too much, because my
- grandmother was so addicted to coffee and I couldn't stand it.
- 2086 And uh, so, I I didn't but, that problem with the tiding, you know,
- we at that time we were making a hundred dollars [\$100] a week.
- 2088 And we had by then two [2] children, and uh, my wife said right
- 2089 away.
- 2090 'I don't think I don't think we can make it; you cannot pay no
- 2091 tiding'.
- 2092 And I said, 'but he said, when you pay tiding the Lord will provide'.
- 2093 And uh, and I said, 'okay'.
- 2094 So, they taught us the lessons then.
- 2095 They came twice a week; it took about three [3] months two [2] –
- 2096 two and a half [2 ½] months.
- 2097 They came twice a week.
- We would feed them, and then they would teach us about an hour.
- 2099 [Background Noise]
- 2100 Because we didn't have 'The Book of Mormon' in in German, so we
- 2101 had a German Bible.
- 2102 And they used all the the scriptures in The Bible, you know.
- 2103 And uh, it was in German; and I would take them home to to uh, -
- and oh, they moved to the Mission, at that time.

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2107 [01:24:07] 2108 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 2109 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, it's a little bit further, 2110 2111 so I took them to the Mission. 2112 When I drive home, I would go [inaudible] uh, - and pray to the 2113 stars. 2114 And, you know, the stars in the - in the Heaven. 2115 [Background Noise] 2116 And everything – everything; and I – I said, 'Lord let me know if that 2117 church is [inaudible] or not, you know'. 2118 And I never did receive my answer. 2119 And then uh, - when I came home the next morning and my wife 2120 said, 'where were you been, your shoes are full of mud'? You know, they - they irrigate sometimes and, you know, 2121 2122 [Laughter]. 2123 I said, 'oh, I prayed last night'. 2124 And she said, 'you really think about that church that much'? 2125 And I said, 'well, I think there's something to it, but I - I find out'. 2126 So, one [1] day I was making sausage, and uh, - the machine goes -2127 it's about uh, - you've been to Kuby's? 2128 'See that machine, you know, that big machine goes around and uh'? 2129 And that time it was a slow machine; an American machine, and it 2130 would take and - -2131

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INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Was it a mixer? Is it?

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- 2135 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Mixer, yeah, a chopper, you know.

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2137 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.

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- 2139 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And it would take maybe forty-five
- 2140 [45] minutes to make one [1] batch of sausage, four hundred pounds
- 2141 **[400]**.
- 2142 Over here now it's three [3] minutes, you know.
- 2143 [Talking Over Each Other]

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2145 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right, yeah.

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- 2147 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, so, the thing would go
- 2148 around and around.
- 2149 And I said, 'you know that, but last night you said that Joseph Smith
- 2150 was killed'.
- 2151 They killed him and his brother.
- 2152 And all he did to have to say, 'I made that story up, but he did not
- 2153 deny it'.
- 2154 And I said, 'it it must be true; it must be true, because he wouldn't
- 2155 die for a lie'.
- 2156 You know, that was my my conviction.
- 2157 So, I couldn't wait to come home.
- 2158 I said, 'when they come tonight I'm gonna tell them I'm baptized'.
- 2159 He says, 'well, [inaudible] I don't think I will be baptized'.
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- 2161 **[01:26:06]**
- 2162 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, '[inaudible] what you -
- 2163 what what how come you'?
- 2164 So, I told her about it; and I said, 'well, I can't believe it'.
- 2165 'But uh, I tell you to keep family peace peace in the family, I
- 2166 don't want to stay a Lutheran when you become a Mormon, and you
- 2167 [inaudible]'.
- 2168 'You know, you're you're hard head; you want to be a Mormon'.
- 2169 'And I I'm not gonna stay a uh, a Lutheran then I want to be a
- 2170 Mormon too, you know, but I don't believe it'.
- 2171 So, when the Missionaries came, and then they said, 'so and so, I
- want to be baptized, we want to be baptized'.
- 2173 And they took us to Weslaco, Texas to a Mexican Ward; there was
- 2174 only Mexican a Spanish congregation and an American.
- 2175 The Americans didn't have; they they didn't have a family home.
- 2176 They didn't have a baptismal fountain, you know.
- 2177 So, they had a fountain down there; it was an old Baptist church,
- 2178 you know, they bought.
- 2179 So, we were baptized; and it wasn't two [2] weeks later, I get a
- 2180 phone call.
- 2181 'This is uh, Harold Reeder [sp], why will [inaudible], you know, told
- 2182 me that you are making German sausages'.
- 2183 And I said, 'yes, I do'.
- 2184 He says, 'I'm from Dallas and I'm opening up a German butcher
- 2185 store, would you come to Dallas'?
- 2186 And I said, 'well, you know, I don't want to, but my wife is so
- 2187 **[01:27:42]**

- 2188 **[01:27:42]**
- 2189 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: unhappy down there, because
- 2190 poor girl, she would go to the grocery store'.
- 2191 One [1] night I came home and then she was sitting there and she
- 2192 was crying.
- 2193 I said, 'sweetheart, what's the matter'?
- 2194 She said, 'do I look like a Mexican'?
- 2195 And I said, 'well, you have dark eyes, brown eyes, and you have
- brown hair, and you're not a fancy dress, you look a little bit like a
- 2197 Mexican'.
- 2198 [Laughter]
- 2199 'Well, you say it too; you said'.
- 2200 I said, 'no, you don't look like a Mexican'.
- 2201 'But why, why, why you want to say that'?
- 2202 And then she said, 'well, every time I go to the grocery store, and I
- 2203 don't speak English, they speak speak to me in Spanish'.
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- 2205 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
- 2206 [Talking Over Each Other]
- 2207 They didn't know German [inaudible]
- 2208 [Talking Over Each Other]
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- 2210 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, so I said, uh, to the
- 2211 man.
- 2212 I said, 'okay, what what you what do you have'?
- 2213 And he says, 'I want to open up a German butcher store'.
- 2214 **[01:28:38]**

- 2215 **[01:28:38]**
- 2216 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'Would you like to come up here'?
- 2217 It was in right before Thanks uh, before the Fourth of July in
- 2218 nineteen fifty-nine [1959].
- 2219 And I said, 'well, I could come up there on the Fourth of July and it
- was on a Friday'.
- 2221 'And I could stay for and Sunday fly back'.
- 2222 He said, 'but I don't have the the money to pay for it'.
- 2223 Oh, he said, 'I sent you a plane ticket and you stay with us'.
- Okay, so I came here and he lived here in Highland Park.
- 2225 And he had a place down on [inaudible] McKinney, and it belonged to
- 2226 Strasburger Law Firm [sp].
- 2227 Mr. Strasburger, Henry Strasburger owned the building.
- 2228 I met him a fine man he he spoke German, German Jew.
- 2229 And uh, so he had in mind to open up a German butcher store.
- 2230 Well, we came to terms; he paid me a hundred and fifty dollars
- 2231 **[\$150]** a month.
- 2232 And I found me an apartment in Highland Park for a hundred [\$100]
- 2233 on on Beverly Drive for a hundred and ten dollars [\$110] a month,
- all bills paid.
- 2235 Garage apartment and uh, in August nineteen fifty-nine [1959] we
- 2236 moved to Dallas.
- 2237 And uh, we went to the church, the Mormon Church.
- 2238 And my gosh, they were not in a meeting in a farm house.
- 2239 They were meeting; they actually had a chapel, and we met a lot of
- people.
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- 2243 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I paid my first [1st] tiding; and
- then I realized, you know, I paid my first [1st] tiding.
- 2245 It was uh, well a hundred dollars [\$100] a week, and five hundred
- 2246 [\$500] uh, about five hundred [\$500] a month it was fifty dollars
- 2247 **[\$50]**.
- 2248 And there I got from a got fifty dollars [\$50] more a week.
- You know, so the Lord actually paid for my tiding, you know.
- 2250 I paid right away more than [inaudible].
- 2251 But anyway the system works, I said.
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- 2253 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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- 2255 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So I became became a Mormon.
- 2256 And I worked for that man and it was right before deer season.
- 2257 All of a sudden,' oh, tomorrow is deer season'.
- 2258 And my gosh, and we had uh, first [1st] 'The State Fair of Texas'.
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- 2260 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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- 2262 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We killed about fifty [50] beef,
- you know, the big cows.
- 2264 And we cut them up for the people and put it in the locker.
- 2265 H. R. H. L. Black, Mr. Black he brought them in.
- 2266 And they liked me, because I I know how to cut meat and
- everything and uh, then the deer season.
- 2268 **[01:31:46]**

- 2269 **[01:31:46]**
- 2270 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'oh, my gosh, what
- 2271 they do'?
- They take the saw, cut the deer in half [1/2], cut the the legs off.
- 2273 If you wanted chops, you cut the [inaudible] in chops.
- 2274 And the the the hams and steaks, and the rest of it they threw it
- 2275 **away**.
- 2276 I said, 'what are you doing with the rest of it'?
- 2277 'Oh, if they want hamburger we make them hamburger out of it'.
- 2278 And he said, '[inaudible] how you make that just grind them'?
- 2279 'Yeah, I said but that's not good tasting hamburger, you have to add
- a little beef to it, you know, some beef [inaudible]'.
- 2281 'Yeah, you do it and and I said, I would make them some sausage'.
- 2282 And he says, 'you can make sausage'?
- 2283 I said, 'sure'.
- 'Can you make breakfast sausage'?
- 2285 **'Yes'**.
- 'Can you make uh, salami'?
- 2287 **'Yes'**.
- 2288 'Can you make Polish sausage'?
- 2289 'Yeah, I make Polish'; so I made that for one [1] or two [2] people.
- 2290 Man, oh man, all of a sudden they want [inaudible]; we made more
- sausage in the first [1st] year than than we sold in the store, you
- 2292 **know**.

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- 2294 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: With venison?
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- 2297 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: With venison.

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2299 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.

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- 2301 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And and it was all [inaudible].
- 2302 So, anyway, so, the business started going good.
- 2303 And the deal I made with him and that's what he promised me.
- He would pay me ten percent [10%] of the profit, you know.
- 2305 Well, we we were in the in the black right away again.
- 2306 And he said, 'oh, we we barely broke even, next year you get it'.
- 2307 So, I wait another year and sure enough he didn't pay me again.
- 2308 And uh, then a man came in, a gentleman, he was really the
- 2309 gentleman; an elderly man.
- 2310 And he said, 'uh, -, Mr. Reeder [sp] told me you you are Karl'.
- 2311 'And that your name is on the door'.
- 2312 And he said, 'he would you you would pay me the ten thousand
- 2313 dollars [\$10,000] he owes me; you owe me'.
- 2314 And I said, 'what do you mean, I pay you'?
- 2315 'I don't owe anything here; I'm just a sausage maker'.
- 2316 And he says uh, -, 'well, that's what he told me'.
- 2317 And then I I said, 'what what is that for'?
- 2318 And he says, 'oh, well every year the [inaudible] McNaughton [sp],
- 2319 you know, that [inaudible] company, you know, they they failed'.
- 2320 And they had so many customers, and they ordered about a thousand
- 2321 **[1,000]** turkeys.
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- 2324 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And there was one [1] guy in
- 2325 [inaudible] in uh, Ranger, Texas that made those double breasted
- 2326 turkeys.
- 2327 You remember the the double breasted turkeys from from Swift?
- 2328 You know, and they had those big turkeys.
- 2329 And all the turkeys at that time, they were scrawny little turkeys just
- 2330 like wild turkeys, didn't have no meat on it except those double
- 2331 breasted.
- 2332 And that guy out there in Longview is the one [1] that invented the
- 2333 turkey for for for Swift, you know, he bred them.
- 2334 And so, and he's made them for Mr. Reeder [sp] for [inaudible]
- 2335 McNaughton.
- 2336 And they ordered ten thousand [10,000] turkeys.
- 2337 And the turkeys cost maybe five dollars [\$5.00] a piece.
- 2338 You know, we would get the five dollars [\$5.00] a piece.
- 2339 And they were ten thousand [10,000] ten thousand [10,000]
- 2340 turkeys at five dollars [\$5.00] is five thousand dollars [\$5,000],
- 2341 **you know**.
- 2342 But and then they after they had to pay a thousand dollars
- 2343 **[\$1,000]** down.
- 2344 And then when they when when the Thanksqiving came, we put
- them in a box.
- 2346 And the people would pick them up, and they pay us a dollar [\$1.00]
- for the box, you know.
- 2348 And then at the end of the day at the end of the season, Mr. Reeder
- 2349 **[01:35:51]**

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- 2351 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: was supposed to pay us the
- 2352 **money**.
- Well, the second [2nd] year I was here they they had ten thousand
- 2354 dollars [\$10,000] worth of turkeys, you know, they they cost ten
- 2355 thousand dollars [\$10,000].
- 2356 [Clearing Throat]
- 2357 And they didn't pay; he didn't pay the guy at all.
- 2358 So, Mr. Nullam [sp] said to me, he says.
- 2359 'Young man, my wife is German'.
- 2360 He says, 'you shouldn't work for a guy like this; this guy is a crook'.
- 2361 I said, 'don't say that'.
- 2362 And he says, 'listen he's a cook, he doesn't pay me'.
- 2363 I said, 'well, he's coming; well how much he owes you'?
- 2364 And he says, 'he still owes me ten thousand dollars [\$10,000]'.
- 2365 I said, 'you know, he comes here every Monday morning'.
- 'Over the weekend we take in a thousand dollars [\$1,000]'.
- 2367 And so, 'I know I know over a week, uh, we take about five
- thousand dollars [\$5,000], we will have the money'.
- 2369 'So why don't you come Monday morning at eight o'clock [8:00]'?
- 2370 'And then you wait for him when he comes in'.
- 2371 And uh, Mr. [inaudible] Mr. Mr. Reeder [sp] came in a little bit
- early and here comes Neunam [sp] at the door.
- 2373 And he snuck in to the freezer, and wanted to go out the back door,
- 2374 **you know**.
- 2375 So, I ran around the building and put a hook through the the back
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2377 [01:37:34] 2378 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: door, you know. 2379 [Laughter] 2380 So, I said, 'Hi, Mr. Neuman [sp]'. 2381 And Mr. Neuman [sp] said, 'Is Mr. Reeder here'? 2382 And he says, 'yeah, he will come out of the store pretty soon'. 2383 2384 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 2385 2386 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, - so, he said, 'okay'. 2387 So, he sit there, you know, a gentleman; he sit there and wait. 2388 And didn't wait too long, maybe an half an hour, and all of a sudden 2389 the door opened up. 2390 And here came this snowman out of that - out of that freezer. 2391 [Laughter] 2392 That freezer was sealed [inaudible]. 2393 2394 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 2395 2396 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, he paid him; he paid him; he 2397 paid them right there and then. 2398 Because he used to go to - to Las Vegas and - and gamble. 2399 [Background Noise] 2400 So, anyway and his wife was the neatness and finest lady. 2401 Anyway, so Mr. Newman [sp] said to me, 'I want to talk to your son'.

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And I said, 'yes, sir'.

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- 2405 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He says, 'I got this place up here,
- 2406 this building over here next door'.
- 2407 And he says, 'it's a locker plant'.
- 2408 'I rent it to you, come on over and look at it'.
- 2409 And uh, and I looked at it.
- 2410 I said, 'well it looked good, I I could open up a a nice place, let
- 2411 me talk to my Bishop'.
- 2412 And his his name was Howard Marsh, he was a lawyer.
- 2413 And uh, he he lived in North Dallas, and he knew all all the the
- 2414 Highland Park people.
- 2415 He says, 'that's an excellent place, Karl'.
- 2416 'So, but you need a little bit of money to pay pay him down'.
- 2417 So, so, I I started the company with ten thousand dollars
- 2418 **[\$10,000]**.
- 2419 Everybody had to put twenty-five hundred dollars [\$2,500] in the till
- 2420 except Mr. Neuman [sp].
- 2421 Mr. Neuman owned the building, and his rent was uh, two hundred
- 2422 and fifty dollars [\$250] a month.
- So, he he only put a thousand dollars [\$1,000] up and then and
- then we we made the deal, you know.
- 2425 And uh, and I paid him two hundred and fifty dollars [\$250] a
- 2426 **month**.
- 2427 And he says, 'here's the deal', and I said, 'Howard Marsh he tore up
- 2428 all the papers'.
- 2429 He said, 'I don't want the papers, there's my deal'.
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- 2431 **[01:40:01]**
- 2432 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'You want to do it on this on my
- 2433 hand shake, or not'?
- 2434 I said, 'okay, I do it on your hand shake'.
- Well, about five [5] years uh, four and a half [4 ½] years four [4]
- years later, he told me, 'he would rent me the the rent would come
- 2437 due again, you know'.
- 2438 And then he [Background Noise]
- 2439 'And I won't go up more than fifty dollars [\$50] a month'.
- 2440 [Background Noise]
- 2441 He said, 'you know'.
- 2442 So, I said, 'Mr. Neuman', I called him, and I said uh, -
- 2443 'I think my rent is going up, how much more you are you charging
- 2444 me'?
- 2445 And he says, 'I'm coming to see you; I'm coming to see you, uh, -
- 2446 just wait till Monday'.
- 2447 And here he comes, that old man, he he was about eighty-five [85]
- 2448 years old at that time.
- 2449 And uh, he said, 'I tell you, I have never had a renter like you'.
- 2450 'You paid the rent not on time, you were every time at least two [2]
- 2451 or three [3] days early'.
- 2452 'I'm not gonna charge you any more rent'.
- 2453 'I charge you the same amount of rent'.
- 2454 'And I have that eleven hundred [1,100] feet in the back'.
- Over near the side he had a a little plant where he used to sell uh, -
- 2456 ice machines.
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- 2458 **[01:41:27]**
- 2459 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He says, 'I go out of the ice
- 2460 machine business, and I leave you an ice machine in there'.
- 2461 'And uh, I give you that one [1] for the same price, the whole
- 2462 thing'.
- 2463 Well, then I had this building, and then when he two [2] years later
- 2464 I bought the building from him.
- 2465 Then I bought this building from somebody, and then then I moved
- over here.

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- 2468 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well that was on what? Do
- you remember what year that was?

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- 2471 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: It was that was uh, owned by
- 2472 uh, Buddy Porter, Ralph Porter and Company, it was real estate
- 2473 people.
- 2474 And I I wanted to buy it, and he says, 'uh, well, it belongs to a
- company, we don't sell', and I said, 'okay'.
- 2476 'If you ever get to the point you want to sell it, you let me know'.
- 2477 And when the old man died, old man Porter died, he left it to twenty-
- seven [27] heirs, this building.
- 2479 And Buddy Porter, the son, had to divide; where some get uh, fifty
- 2480 dollars [\$50], some of them pay sixty-eight dollars [\$68], and some
- of them a hundred dollars [\$100], and so on every month.
- 2482 He had to divide that twenty-seven [27] times.

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2486	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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2488	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, one [1] day he came to me,
2489	and he says, 'Karl I sell you that building, because I can't have the
2490	headache anymore'.
2491	And I said, 'okay, how much you want for it'?
2492	And he told me the price and I bought it.
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2494	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Do you remember? When
2495	was that?
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2497	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I think it was in nineteen sixty-
2498	eight [1968], sixty-nine [1969], maybe – maybe seventy [1970].
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2500	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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2502	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I – I can look it up, but it was
2503	around this time.
2504	And he sold me that building, and then we – we broke the wall down
2505	and we – we did the – the remodeling, you know.
2506	But another thing I have to tell you how I skipped in here that I ever
2507	started this - this business.
2508	You know, I was gonna do just the sausage company, you know.
2509	Then I realized well, the sausages has not, at that time, that a lot of
2510	people didn't know what all the German sausages.
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2513	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, they - I - I was
2514	making about twenty-seven [27] different kinds of sausages.
2515	You know, and there was only a few professors and so on.
2516	So, I - I went to Oak Cliff, somebody told me, go to Oak Cliff there is
2517	another delicatessen, look them up and see what they do.
2518	And I went over there, and it had – it was a Jewish delicatessen.
2519	And I see what they did.
2520	And I said, 'uh, - you know, I come back, and I uh, - I make an eating
2521	place out of it'.
2522	So, I had thirteen [13] seats over there on the other side, uh, - the
2523	counter like this on the other side and one [1] table.
2524	So, I have about twenty [20] people.
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2526	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: On the butcher shop side of
2527	that? Okay.
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2529	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, on that side in the front,
2530	only half [1/2] the store because there was a tuxedo shop in
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2532	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: In here?
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2534	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And no, on the other side.
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2536	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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- **2539 [01:44:45]**
- 2540 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: On it, this one [1] was not yet.
- So, so, I and I said, 'what should I'?
- 2542 So, I made up my mind I'd make, Monday I make potato soup.
- 2543 Tuesday I make uh, uh, uh, maybe beans.
- 2544 Wednesday lintel, Thursday green peas.
- 2545 On on Fridays I made uh, oxtail soup.
- 2546 And uh, well, you know, and then I'd sell them meat sausages and -
- and then, you know, make German potato salad.
- 2548 And then they came in, and he says, 'how come how come you
- 2549 don't make sauerkraut'?
- 2550 And I said, 'okay, I can make sauerkraut too'.
- 2551 And then I had to go shop around where you get bread, you know,
- 2552 and and I added that to the menu all the time.
- 2553 And uh, it worked out, you know, we had funny stories happened.
- 2554 And I had one [1] girl and my wife helped me, and they were under
- 2555 the the little kids, Karl wasn't even born yet, you know.
- 2556 [Background Noise]
- 2557 Marcus was oh, Marcus went to school in Highland Park to
- 2558 Armstrong.
- 2559 And his his teacher was Mrs. Ashby [sp] and uh, and she said,
- 2560 'what am I gonna do with this German kid'?
- 2561 'He doesn't speak English'.
- 2562 And I said, 'Mrs. Ashby [sp] he will learn quick'.
- 2563 And she says, '[inaudible] give me' and then after about three [3]
- 2564 months she came, and said, 'he's he knows as good English as
- 2565 **[01:46:23]**

- 2566 **[01:46:23]**
- 2567 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: anybody in the class, you know,
- 2568 no problem'.
- 2569 See all that Bilingual Education is wrong, they should teach them all
- 2570 English, you know.
- 2571 That's just so so you have to have more excellent teachers.
- 2572 But anyway, Marcus did it.
- 2573 And uh, my kids all spoke German when they were little, you know.
- 2574 And uh, then I, after a while, and then I added; then I finally
- 2575 bought the tuxedo shop.
- 2576 I got him a a place down the street, you know.
- 2577 And then I made that building bigger, and I added, and I threw the
- 2578 lockers out.
- 2579 You know, I had these all these frozen food lockers.
- 2580 Oh, I could tell you stories about them all the time.
- 2581 And then I have all these customers, they come in here for breakfast
- in the morning.
- 2583 One [1] guy that came in here every morning at six o'clock [6:00]
- in the morning.
- 2585 [Background Noise]
- 2586 And uh, he would smoke a cigarette a uh, a pack of cigarette a
- 2587 day in my store, you know.
- 2588 And uh, every day, they said he'd smoke three [3] packs of
- 2589 cigarettes.
- 2590 He died he died, Richard Means.
- 2591 And then I had one [1] guy uh, -, you know, and I had these students
- **2592 [01:47:46]**

- **2593 [01:47:46]**
- 2594 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: at S.M.U. and they worked for me,
- you know.
- 2596 And uh, I had one [1] guy that came in here and he he started to
- 2597 **order**.
- 2598 Let me have one [1] of those corn beef sandwiches; he had the corn
- 2599 beef sandwich [inaudible].
- 2600 And the next day he got this one [1], and he came down to the
- 2601 counter.
- 2602 And all of a sudden to the tah-tah [sp] sandwich, you know, tah-tah
- 2603 sandwich.
- So, at at that time, I had one [1] helper, Tilly Bee [sp].
- 2605 And she served it and put it right in front of him.
- 2606 And he wouldn't eat it, and she says, 'is something wrong with your
- 2607 sandwich sandwich'?
- 2608 He says, 'mam, I think you should take it in the kitchen and cook
- 2609 it a little bit longer'.
- 2610 [Laughter]
- 2611 'You forgot to cook it'.
- 2612 [Laughter]
- 2613 You know, these people didn't know what, -
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- 2615 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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- 2617 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know.
- 2618 But uh, and then I I started this restaurant for the single purpose
- 2619 **[01:48:47]**

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2621	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: to introduce them to the food that
2622	we serve.
2623	And hopefully they would come on the way home and buy some and
2624	take home.
2625	You know, and that's what happened.
2626	And uh, - you know, even though the German people [pause here]
2627	they were uh, - we had uh, - a good [inaudible] of German people.
2628	But uh, -
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2630	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Here in The Highland Park
2631	area?
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2633	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, all over.
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2635	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Just in that [inaudible].
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2637	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But uh, - I couldn't count on them.
2638	You know, they were spreaded out, you know.
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2640	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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2642	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We had a German American Club.
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2644	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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2646	[01:49:19]

- 2647 **[01:49:19]**
- 2648 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, I was in there busy.
- 2649 And uh, we would have a Swiss Club, you know.
- 2650 I furnish just their their food for their meetings, you know.
- We had all different, you know, German German American Club,
- 2652 Swiss Club, Austin Club.
- 2653 And they can't all get along with each other.
- You know, they the German Clubs they had two [2] or three [3]
- 2655 different kinds.
- You know, the old Germans and the young Germans, the beer
- 2657 drinking Germans, and the educational Germans.
- You know, uh, but one [1] thing they all drank is beer.
- 2659 [Laughter]
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- 2661 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. [Laughter]
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- 2663 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And we couldn't have beer here,
- you know.
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- 2666 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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- 2668 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But then, and I had I had uh, a
- 2669 nice place downtown one [1] time, uh, selling beer.
- 2670 And I had it was my first [1st] idea was to make a brewery down
- 2671 there.
- 2672 But then I couldn't; I had the law, when you make the beer, you
- 2673 **[01:50:17]**

2674 [01:50:17] 2675 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: couldn't sell your beer in your own 2676 store. 2677 2678 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum. Right, which they just 2679 recently have changed. 2680 [Talking Over Each Other] 2681 2682 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And – and then I – I tried. 2683 I applied for it and it didn't work, and they wouldn't give me. 2684 And now it's everybody's doing it. 2685 2686 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. Yeah. 2687 2688 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I would be a rich man if I had 2689 done it at that time. 2690 2691 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 2692 2693 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They let me do it, you know, then. 2694 2695 Well, I have some other INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 2696 questions, but it's been about two [2] hours. 2697 Do you need a break? 2698 Or water or anything like that? 2699 2700 [01:50:41]

2701 [01:50:41] 2702 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: At least two [2] hours? 2703 2704 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Almost, yeah. [Laughter] 2705 2706 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: That's okay. 2707 2708 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. You don't - you don't 2709 want a glass of water or anything? 2710 2711 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, I've got my tea. 2712 2713 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. Okay. Good. 2714 2715 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, I'm gonna drink my tea. 2716 2717 MALE: You want something? 2718 2719 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: I - I could use a little 2720 glass of water actually. Yeah. 2721 Well, uh, - can - can I go back a little bit, or do you want? [Talking Over Each Other] 2722 2723 2724 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah. You can whatever. 2725 2726 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 2727 [01:51:05]

2728 [01:51:05] 2729 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, uh, - a little bit of 2730 questions about your time in South Texas. 2731 I wondered uh, - if it was just totally different from coming, you 2732 know, coming straight from Germany to South Texas? 2733 The food, I mean, had to have been really different, right? 2734 2735 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, yeah. 2736 Let me tell you about that. 2737 My cousin had this uh, - farm. 2738 [clearing throat] 2739 And then there were the Glenn [sp] Millers, the four [4] Troopers, [pause], Van Quoll [sp], there was seven [7] different German 2740 2741 people there, you know. And they had big farms; they had - The Moore's, and uh, - they had 2742 2743 uh, - The Moore's had thirty thousand [30,000] acres. 2744 The Glenn [sp] Millers, they had thirty thousand [30,000] acres. 2745 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 2746 Glenn [sp] Mueller? 2747 2748 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Glenn [sp] Milligan [sp]. 2749 2750 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 2751 2752 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Uh, - the four [4] Troopers, and 2753 actually the four [4] Troopers are the Glenn Miller's son-in-law.

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2755 [01:52:08] 2756 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, and then I have to tell you, my 2757 - my cousin had the crop dusting business. 2758 And he, naturally he was - and he also did the [inaudible] at the 2759 leveling of the fields. 2760 You know, down there in the valley you have to do irrigation. 2761 And I - my first [1st] [inaudible], every day I would go out with him 2762 whenever I could, and even on Sundays, he used me as a uh, - a 2763 flagger for the airplanes, you know. 2764 I had to flag and they come in - when they come down and the crop 2765 dust. 2766 And then if they were over thirty [30] feet, you know, because when they dust they could - they could see it. 2767 2768 [Background Noise] 2769 But if they did uh, - swaying, you know, by the time you turn it on -[Background Noise] 2770 it was already soaking in, you know, - -2771 2772 [Talking Over Each Other] 2773 2774 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, right. 2775 [Background Noise] 2776 2777 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, you had to flag. 2778 2779 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did you wear anything?

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- 2783 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Or, you just got sprayed
- 2784 too?

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- 2786 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, no, no.
- 2787 [Background Noise]
- 2788 I tell you it was; [inaudible] so I would go down there, I was.
- 2789 And then we would go uh, the first [1st], yeah.
- 2790 [Background Noise]
- 2791 The the uh, there was also a law, how did they call that law?
- 2792 One [1] one [1] of my cousins had my cousin had a uh, -, I call
- 2793 him my cousin, he actually was my uncle.
- 2794 He had fifteen [15] acres; there was a canal that was running there.
- 2795 And there was a street, and it was somewhere somewhere in you
- 2796 had to go from the street.
- 2797 You know, drive all the way around; you couldn't get there from the
- farm, you know, it was cut off.
- 2799 And he had a Mexican there who had that fifteen [15] acres, and he
- 2800 had a farm; a little farm there, and he planted something.
- So, one [1] day he came to me, and he says, uh, -, 'Karl, would you
- 2802 uh, go with me, I need to go see Juan'?
- 2803 So, I went and go over there with him to Juan.
- 2804 And on the way, he explained to me.
- 2805 He says, 'there's a law in Texas, if he plants that land for seven [7]
- years, without anybody collecting rent, it belongs to him, you know,
- 2807 that you take it off.
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2809 [01:54:39] 2810 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 2811 2812 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because you worked the land and 2813 it's yours, you know, so, I have to charge him rent. 2814 And I said, how much you charge him? 2815 And he says, 'I - I; it's a piece of land, I - I charge him just a 2816 hundred dollars [\$100] a year, you know, just at [inaudible]'. 2817 And uh, - I think that's what it was. 2818 So, he- the guy said, 'okay'. 2819 And then when Bill get died in sixty-three [1963], I was already 2820 here. 2821 And the family called me; they had no contract. 2822 The guy claimed that that was his land. 2823 And I said, 'no, we charge him a hundred dollars [\$100] a year'. 2824 And uh, -, I had to go and take a deposition from uh, - at the law firm 2825 over here. 2826 'That uh, - that I was there present that he paid uh, - a hundred 2827 dollars [\$100] a year'. 2828 2829 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 2830 2831 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And Bill – Bill, he used that 2832 money. 2833 He put it; they found some - found some receipts where - where he

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got it, you know, where he made deposits, you know.

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- 2836 **[01:55:50]**
- 2837 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 2839 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: It was one [1] thing, uh.
- 2840 Uh, and and then another thing what happened down there.
- 2841 The The Glenn Millers, they were from Austria.
- The finest family; it was then, she, Ms. Glenn Miller was a sweetheart
- and the old lady.
- 2844 And her her husband was a nice man.
- 2845 And they had two [2] boys and one [1] daughter, Trudy [sp].
- Well, the boys; one [1] of the boys went to the to The Air Force,
- you know, Korean War, you know.

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2849 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 2851 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And he flew The Thunder Bulls
- 2852 [sp].
- 2853 [Background Noise]
- 2854 And he came home for Christmas in nineteen fifty [pause here] fifty
- 2855 nine [1959], I think it was that year when I came.
- 2856 And uh, he came home, and my cousin had always had a a Cessna
- 2857 that he took me flying, you know, and sometimes.
- 2858 And uh, and that boy used to fly for him, you know.
- 2859 He he taught all those boys how to fly, Bill did.
- Well, then he went to The Air Force; and in The Air Force, they're
- used to flying, you know, The Thunder Bulls [sp], they had a five
- 2862 **[01:57:29]**

2863 [01:57:29] 2864 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: hundred [500] horse power 2865 engine in it. 2866 2867 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 2868 2869 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And in the Cessna forty-five [45] 2870 uh, - horse power. 2871 Well, so, he took his little brother and they took that - they - they 2872 pulled that uh, - that airplane out of the hanger without my cousin's 2873 consent or anything. 2874 Because he was just part of the family; he just went down there. 2875 And he says, 'I show you how to - to fly'. 2876 And on Christmas Day, he called his Mother and Father from the 2877 plane. 2878 You know, they had these - these radios. 2879 And he said, 'come look at us'; and he did a loop and he couldn't pull 2880 it out and crashed right in from their - Bill's house and killed both of 2881 them. 2882 2883 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, God. 2884 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, Trudy, they had an exchange 2885 2886 student here from Austria, who was The Agricultural Specialist, you 2887 know, from Austria.

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And he married Trudy; and that's why the name was then changed

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2890 [01:58:34] 2891 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: from Glenn Miller to Fortuba [sp]; 2892 his name was Fortuba [sp]. 2893 And they had two [2] sons; uh, - two [2] uh, - nephews. 2894 Mrs. Glenn Miller's sister was their Father. 2895 And there was Karl Shuster [sp] and Fred Shuster [sp]; Fred, yeah. 2896 And they had each one fifteen thousand [1,500] acres, you know. 2897 And mostly cotton and vegetables, you know, onions. 2898 And uh, - every Christmas they would uh, - The Glenn Millers also 2899 would have uh, - a - they - they would feed some cattle with grain to 2900 make it real fat, you know. 2901 2902 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 2903 2904 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they killed eight [8] cows. 2905 We killed the cows for uh, -; we had a slaughter house, you know, 2906 where I worked. 2907 2908 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 2909 2910 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then we let them hang for 2911 about four [4] weeks uh, - to age them. 2912 And Christmas morning, I [inaudible] - Christmas Eve morning, we 2913 dug a trench the day before. 2914 We dug a trench about that wide. 2915

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2917	[01:59:58]
2918	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, about three [3] feet
2919	wide or four [4] feet wide?
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2921	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, three [3] feet wide, and
2922	about four [4] - five [5] feet deep; six [6] feet deep.
2923	And, you know, when they; you know how they do the uh, - when
2924	they clean out the mesquite wood?
2925	They take two [2] big old caterpillars and they put a chain between
2926	them about thirty [30] feet, and they just pulled all the trees out.
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2928	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. Right.
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2930	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then they cut the trees out
2931	and put in the trench all year long.
2932	And then they burned it for two [2] or three [3] days.
2933	[Clearing Throat]
2934	Then on Christmas Day that was full of coals.
2935	[Clearing Throat]
2936	[Background Noise]
2937	We cut the beef up [Clearing Throat].
2938	We cut the beef up for the family; they get the steaks and
2939	everything.
2940	And but the ribs and the most of the meat, you know, we barbecued
2941	it out there.
2942	[Background Noise]
2943	[02:00:54]

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2945	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they had the home-grown
2946	peppers, oh uh, -, tomatoes, everything [inaudible] the onions.
2947	And we made it - our own barbecue sauce all on that - right there.
2948	And I was the cook, you know.
2949	We – together with my cousin, my uncle.
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2951	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Would you uh, -?
2952	Would you break down the animals more?
2953	Or, was it like the whole side of beef?
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2955	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, we break them down.
2956	But the – the ribs we would cut in about pieces like this.
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2958	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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2960	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And cook them, and then we cut
2961	the pieces up.
2962	And then the farmers come from all over the place, and they eat
2963	there for all day long.
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2965	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: What was the sauce like?
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2967	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Huh?
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2969	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: What – what kind of sauce
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2971 [02:01:33] 2972 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: were you using? 2973 2974 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, we used uh, - barbecue sauce. 2975 We cooked our own with the peppers and the onions. 2976 We made the barbecue sauce; real home cooked barbecue sauce, you 2977 know. 2978 2979 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Was it a uh, -? 2980 Was it one [1] of those mop sauces where you [inaudible]? 2981 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, we – we had a little mop 2982 2983 and we placed it on the thing. 2984 [Clearing Throat] 2985 And on the – on the drippings we put that in the sauce, you know. 2986 2987 Agreeing. INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 2988 2989 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then it was; it - they came 2990 from all over [inaudible]. 2991 And then they – and they all brought their pies, you know. 2992 You know, they had all this stuff. 2993 And I used to cook all that stuff [inaudible] and they aged that meat. 2994 And - and then uh, - you know, then - then I said, Bill, and they 2995 would make T-bone steaks, you know. 2996 And I said, 'why don't you cut it'? 2997 [02:02:21]

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2999	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The real way to cut the tenderloin
3000	out and then cut the - the strip steaks separate, you know, without
3001	bone.
3002	And he says, 'oh, no, they don't want – they want bones on it'.
3003	At that time, they all wanted bones, you know.
3004	And then they bought it, and they had also.
3005	You know, it's against The Law in Texas to have domesticated deer.
3006	You know, but those people down there, they were so known, so
3007	well- known that they uh,
3008	They had domesticated deer, you know.
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3010	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3012	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They found a – a uh, - a fawn and
3013	you know, in the field, and they took it home and they raised it, you
3014	know.
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3016	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. Right. Right.
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3018	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, and they killed it, and
3019	then they kill it, and they cooked it up on that barbecue.
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3021	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, you had – you had beef
3022	and venison at this?
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3025	[02:03:14]
3026	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah.
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3028	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3030	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - uh, - and that was a real
3031	good thing.
3032	And then – then I joined; oh, and then another thing when I first
3033	[1st] came over, I forgot that.
3034	[Background Noise]
3035	I was so proud that I was in America.
3036	And you would not believe what they did.
3037	The farmers down there; my cousin had, when the War was over, he
3038	bought a thousand [1,000] - one thousand [1,000].
3039	He had a partner and together they bought one thousand [1,000]
3040	German airplanes.
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3042	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum.
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3044	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: From The Army, and some of them
3045	were still in crates for fifty dollars [\$50.00] a piece, you know, for
3046	fifty dollars [\$50.00] a piece.
3047	And they had the hanger; he had a hanger.
3048	It was about three hundred [300] feet long; it was full of these
3049	airplanes; full packed in there.
3050	And uh, - the mansion flood; it remind me of flood.
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3052	[02:04:22]
3053	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, - so, - we had these airplanes
3054	and uh, - I was gonna tell you this story, what was it?
3055	[Background Noise]
3056	I can't [inaudible].
3057	Well, let me tell you about The Flood first [1st].
3058	In nineteen sixty-seven [1967], there was a – the floods down there
3059	and a hurricane.
3060	And uh, - I think it was fifty-seven [1957], fifty-six [1956] or fifty-
3061	seven [1957].
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3063	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. Fifty-seven [1957].
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3065	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - you know, you've been
3066	in The Valley.
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3068	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3070	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: When you – when you stand on
3071	the highway and you look across and you could tell that The Rio
3072	Grande was about as wide as Snyder Plaza, you know.
3073	But that time The Rio Grande was wide, ten [10] – fifteen [15] miles.
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3075	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
3076	So, you're talking a couple of hundred yards to fifteen [15] miles.
3077	[Background Noise] [Laughter]
3078	[02:05:30]

3079	[02:05:30]	
3080	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.:	You know, and there were snakes
3081	that would come everywhere, you	ı know, they, you know, that – that

- 3082 the hurricane had picked up uh, all the way up to Rio Grande City,
- 3083 no further up.
- 3084 [Background Noise]

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- 3085 You know, in in New Mexico, you know, it rained over there so
- 3086 much, and it came down there.
- 3087 And it was all these snakes; these snakes would go, you know, all the
- farm houses are in high places, you know.
- 3089 We were above the flood line, you know.
- 3091 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
- 3093 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But they had to open the flood
- 3094 gates, you know.

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- 3095 And those snakes they they were everywhere.
- 3096 So, I I remember, we went down to the to the stairs and there on
- 3097 the stairs was all these little snakes.
- 3098 They were tiny little snakes, baby snakes.
- 3099 And and I looked at the snakes and and little Marcus, my old –
- 3100 my my oldest son.
- 3101 He looked at the snakes and he says, 'don't you touch those snakes',
- 3102 he says.
- 3103 And he said, 'and I want you to know, don't try to make a pet out of
- 3104 the rattlesnakes, sooner or later it will it will bite you'.
- 3105 **[02:06:37]**

3106 [02:06:37] 3107 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: [Laughter] 3108 You know, so that was - I could not believe it. 3109 So, I joined The Army. 3110 So, and - and then The Army would only pay me twenty-five dollars 3111 [\$25.00] a month. 3112 3113 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: When did you join The 3114 Army? 3115 3116 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Nineteen fifty-six [1956], well, 3117 three [3] months after I was here. And I went down to - to - to Mission to Edinburg. 3118 3119 3120 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Edinburgh, huh. 3121 3122 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. To The County Seat and I 3123 volunteered. 3124 And he says, and I said, 'oh, I can't make it on twenty-five dollars 3125 [\$25.00] a month, I have a wife and a child'. 3126 'Oh, we pay for your wife, seventy-five dollars [\$75] and for your 3127 boy, twenty-five dollars [\$25], so you get a hundred dollars [\$100] 3128 extra for them'. 3129 And I said, 'I couldn't afford it'. 3130 And he says, 'the only thing you can do then join The National Guard, 3131 you know, The Texas National Guard'. 3132 [02:07:27]

- 3133 **[02:07:27]**
- 3134 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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- 3136 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'oh'.
- 3137 So, I joined The National Guard in nineteen fifty-six [1956] about
- 3138 three [3] months after I came here.
- 3139 [Background Noise]
- 3140 And uh, I was in The Unit and uh, the Captain came up and he
- 3141 **says**.
- 3142 'Man oh man, we got the The General Inspection coming and uh, -
- 3143 nobody knows how to cook'.
- 'And you, does anybody know'?
- 3145 And I said, 'I know how to cook but I don't know nothing about The
- 3146 **Army**′.
- 3147 So, I cooked some food that I thought would be good for The Army,
- 3148 you know, I made pie and everything.
- 3149 And, you know, so when he get back, he says, 'you're hired'.
- 3150 'Now you're a cook', so they put me Specialist; made me a Specialist
- in within four [4] weeks as the cook, so I cooked for them.
- 3152 And uh, then they come and the The Army and the American Army
- is such an easy way of getting promotion.
- 3154 All you got to do is follow their order they they they take
- 3155 advantage of that.
- 3156 Every day they came; every week they came with tests.
- 3157 All food service test or diesel mechanic, or anything, weapon
- 3158 specialist.
- 3159 **[02:08:54]**

- 3160 **[02:08:54]**
- 3161 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I was not interested in that
- 3162 too much.
- 3163 Diesel mechanic I was and then this and this.
- 3164 And one [1] day I passed I passed every test, because they had
- 3165 maybe a thousand [1,000], a hundred [100] questions.
- 3166 And it most of them was true or false.

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3168 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 3170 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And some of them A, B, C and D.
- 3171 They gave you all the answers.
- 3172 You know, if you use the little clips even if you don't speak the
- 3173 language, if you you can, you know.
- 3174 Anyway, so, one [1] day he come back; the Captain was Captain
- 3175 **Dubois [sp]**.
- 3176 And he was from Louisiana but he lived down in The Valley.
- 3177 And I went to him, and he says, 'what is this test O.C.S. School'?
- 3178 And he said, 'oh, that's Officer Candidate School'.
- 3179 I said, 'can I take that too'?
- 3180 And he said, 'oh, you take everything else', so I took it.
- 3181 And I made it, I I scored a ninety-nine [99].
- 3182 I never forget what I did the question I I didn't do.
- 3183 It says, 'out of a hundred [100] question I scored every one [1]
- 3184 except one [1]'.
- 3185 And it was, 'what front is to rear is engine to what'?
- 3186 **[02:10:09]**

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3188	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And it had caboose, tender, and
3189	uh, -, you know, four [4] different cars, you know.
3190	And I didn't know what caboose meant.
3191	And I said, 'well, tender' – tender – that was the thing –
3192	[Background Noise]
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3194	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3196	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, he says; and he called me in -
3197	in the office, and he says.
3198	'Man oh man, you made it, now we have to send you to The Officer
3199	Candidate School'.
3200	And I said, 'oh, my gosh, we were in Summer Camp, you know'.
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3202	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3204	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So I – they send me down to
3205	Texas, and I think it was attached to Texas – University of Texas.
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3207	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3209	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They had a uh, - an - some little
3210	class of [inaudible] what they went to school, you know.
3211	Between maybe it was in Killeen, I don't know where it was.
3212	Anyway, so I went there and I got my own room.
3213	[02:11:04]

3214	[02:11:04]
3215	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I unpacked my stuff, and all of a
3216	sudden a guy called me over the intercom, and he says, 'Kuby, come
3217	to the front' and I went up front.
3218	He says, 'the Colonel wants to see you'.
3219	I said, 'uh, - okay'.
3220	So, I went in there and saluted and uh, - he says, 'you damn
3221	Germans, you try everything to get into this – to become an officer,
3222	you cannot be an officer'.
3223	And I said, 'why not'?
3224	And he says, 'I cannot pass the test'.
3225	And he says, 'you got to be a citizen'.
3226	And I said, 'nobody asked me about that; I'm sorry that I - I didn't
3227	know that'.
3228	So, he says, 'you get back to your unit'.
3229	And so, I was not even in The Army nine [9] months and I became a
3230	sergeant.
3231	And they were so embarrassed they made me a sergeant.
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3233	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3235	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: [Laughter] They made me -
3236	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3238	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, [clearing throat] was it?
3239	You were still working at Marr?
3240	[02:11:58]

3241 [02:11:58] 3242 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, yeah. 3243 [Talking Over Each Other] 3244 3245 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: At [inaudible]? 3246 [Talking Over Each Other] 3247 3248 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Did you go to - -3249 3250 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 3251 3252 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You go to uh, - we had uh, - one 3253 [1] Sunday and uh, - three [3] - three [3] weeks. 3254 3255 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 3256 3257 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Three [3] Tuesdays, you know, we - we went to meetings, you know. 3258 3259 And you would get - I think I would get about forty dollars [\$40] a 3260 month, you know, it was good. 3261 And then you would go to - to - to uh, - Fort Sam - Fort Hood and 3262 you – you make about two hundred dollars [\$200], you know. 3263 And I – it was good money. 3264 And I – I didn't, you know, my boss didn't give me; you know, I – I 3265 got my vacation money there too, you know, I had two [2] weeks' 3266 vacation. 3267 [02:12:40]

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3269	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. Right.
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3271	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, that was good.
3272	It was this, and uh, -, then I went to The Army and then I had kidney
3273	stones.
3274	And uh, - oh, I had all kind of stuff that you – there was an uh, -
3275	One [1] time I went to, you know, I came home one [1] night and
3276	the T.V. didn't work.
3277	And I said, uh, - we had a black and white T.V., a small box, you
3278	know.
3279	My wife, she loved that T.V. because she learned English on that T.V.
3280	you know.
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3282	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3284	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And she would uh, - look at it - at
3285	that uh, - show, 'It Could Be You'.
3286	It was a show about uh, - a foreigner or somebody, and - and you -
3287	you – they call you into the T.V. station.
3288	And behind the curtain was uh, - somebody that you hadn't seen for
3289	ages and ages.
3290	And they would talk to you, and then she said, 'oh, oh, my gosh'.
3291	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3293	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
3294	[02:13:44]

3295 [02:13:44] 3296 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: My aunt so-and-so. 3297 My wife thought,' oh, why doesn't it happen to me'? 3298 You know, and so that touched that. 3299 So, one [1] and then her T.V. was broken. 3300 And they had this - this one [1] Seven-Eleven [7-11] store had a 3301 machine, yeah. 3302 And uh, - I went ahead and uh, - went down there and they had this 3303 - this machine - this machine. 3304 And you put all these uh, - these bulbs in there - the - the tubes. 3305 You know, and when the - the ones that were burned up and they -3306 they didn't light up. So, you bought two [2] tubes that were burned up. 3307 3308 And then you put them in and then your T.V. was okay. 3309 3310 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum. 3311 3312 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But anyway, the - uh, - what I 3313 learned down there it came very handy here. 3314 Because I – I was in the manufacturing business. 3315 I learned how to buy in, you know, when I down there when I came 3316 we were making twenty-five hundred [2,500] pounds of sausage. 3317 When I left we were making twenty-five thousand [25,000] pounds 3318 of sausage with the same amount of people. 3319 3320 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: That was only a few years

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3322	[02:14:59]
3323	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: too, right?
3324	Three [3] or four [4] years?
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3326	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Three [3] – three and a half [3 ½]
3327	years, yeah.
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3329	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3331	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - I build it up pretty good.
3332	And I – when I left I told the boss, you don't have to; no rework in
3333	the house.
3334	And there was no rework in the house, and I helped him find a guy
3335	from – and he was from – from uh, - Luxemburg.
3336	And he worked for them, you know, took over where I left off.
3337	Then I came here and uh, - I made the sausage.
3338	And I became – we – I learned to know the – the German American
3339	stuff but I also professional chefs.
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3341	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3343	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: When I opened up I couldn't make
3344	enough money in the store, you know.
3345	So, at night I worked for Ewalts [sp] – or for Mr. Pepe's, you know,
3346	down on Lover's Lane.
3347	I would work there; after I get through I go change clothes when I'm
3348	[02:16:02]

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3350	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: down there.
3351	And then on Fridays and Saturday nights and I worked there at night,
3352	as a chef.
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3354	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: What kind of food?
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3356	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And this thing, I just remembered
3357	that.
3358	And so, one [1] day they – they came, you know, all the chefs, at that
3359	time, here in Dallas.
3360	Was 'The Dallas Chefs Association' and then there was 'The Texas
3361	Chefs'.
3362	Now 'The Dallas Culinary Association'; and then there came 'The
3363	Texas Chefs', 'The Dallas Culinary Association'.
3364	So, they – they elected me to be The President, you know, because I
3365	worked for the Ewalt [sp] and – and, you know.
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3367	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3369	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I know how to cook.
3370	I – I went to Switzerland and in school; Swiss School to The Culinary
3371	School.
3372	You – you pick it up, you know, I – I learned, but uh,
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3374	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: What kind of food were
3375	[02:17:04]

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3377	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: you cooking for them?
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3379	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: German.
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3381	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Was it German?
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3383	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Swiss School, you know.
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3385	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3387	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I'm not too great in French.
3388	My friend, I was working for Ewalt [sp] and for Mr. Pepe.
3389	Now they were two [2] – two [2] very hard headed people.
3390	Now Ewalt [sp] was German, and he was a real professional.
3391	You know, he was, I mean, he was one [1] of those guys.
3392	He tells you what to do and then he looks over your shoulder and
3393	watch you that you do it right, you know.
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3395	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3397	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, so.
3398	But, you know, it took me a little while to get used to that.
3399	But uh, -, you want to do it right, you know.
3400	But I don't like when somebody; we are good – we were good friends
3401	until he died, you know.
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3404	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I spoke at his funeral.
3405	And uh, - then I work for Mr. Pepe [sp]; now he was altogether
3406	different.
3407	Pepe had certain rules; his wife, Olga, they used to have a place right
3408	here in Lover's Lane.
3409	And when they were busiest was during the time when - when uh, -
3410	they had Market.
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3412	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3414	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, so when – when we
3415	had the time, so.
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3417	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: That – that would be on the
3418	weekends?
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3420	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Huh?
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3422	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: The Market?
3423	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3425	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, the – the weekends, you
3426	know, so I would work there.
3427	And he had the rule each table can order; you ordered two [2]
3428	entrees – entrees, you know.
3429	[02:18:28]

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3431	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, if there are four [4]
3432	people they can either order cordon blue or they can schnitzel,
3433	steaks and this, you know, and that's it; two [2] entrees, not each
3434	one [1] is separate.
3435	But Olga, his wife, she would go ahead and – and cheat a little bit,
3436	you know.
3437	Because the people you – you cannot tell that people what to eat.
3438	You know, they - they're like, 'oh, you make this'.
3439	So, she would tell this table so on, and the waiter would.
3440	So, Mr. Pepe, one [1] night he – he found out that she was serving
3441	for table this - this - food what he made for table this and this.
3442	And she – she was just doing the right thing, you know, for – for the
3443	customers.
3444	And he walked out and I ended up with cooking for the whole
3445	restaurant for that night.
3446	I thought I would go crazy and that was one [1] thing.
3447	And uh, -, so uh, - it was an education that you learned when - that
3448	was also the -
3449	Let's see, I need - I need to stop a little bit now.
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3451	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well, sure sure.
3452	The education was about uh; - the education was running the
3453	business and running the restaurant, is that what you're telling me?
3454	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3457	[02:19:42]
3458	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, yeah, oh, yeah.
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3460	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3462	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You – you learn [clearing throat].
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3464	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Would you like to take a
3465	break for a second?
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3467	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Huh?
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3469	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Would you like to take a
3470	break?
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3472	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no.
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3474	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3476	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No. Uh, -
3477	[clearing throat]
3478	One [1] thing that I never forget how all this was at home for the
3479	family.
3480	Because, you know, I had my wife and she would come over here and
3481	serve the people.
3482	And – and the little ones were under – behind the counter playing
3483	[02:20:10]

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3485	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: around with things.
3486	I had a little girl and she would sit out there on the bench and when
3487	the customers from over here, and they would go past and they go
3488	down to Luby's to eat.
3489	And she would run after them, 'where you going, Mr. Fisher'?
3490	And he says, 'oh, I'm going today; I'm going down to Luby's'.
3491	'You mean, you're not gonna come to my Daddy's store'?
3492	You know, [Laughter]
3493	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3495	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Little sales woman.
3496	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3498	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, - so, they would go all the way
3499	down there to Hillcrest and walk down there.
3500	[Laughter]
3501	[Talking Over Each Other]
3502	Because that little girl, she would herd them in here, you know.
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3504	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well what did the?
3505	What did the family eat at night when [inaudible] at Luby's?
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3507	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Leftovers or, you know, my wife -
3508	you know, my uh, - my Father came over.
3509	The first [1st] time he came over in sixty-nine [1969].
3510	[02:20:58]

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3512	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: To stay?
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3514	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, my Dad, yeah.
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3516	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3518	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, he came in sixty-five
3519	[1965].
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3521	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Sixty-five [1965].
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3523	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And when he came over he
3524	actually, you know, I couldn't make it good enough for him, you
3525	know.
3526	So, but I wanted to show him – his – his cousin down there, and he
3527	had already died.
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3529	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. Agreeing.
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3531	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - so, we drove down to
3532	The Valley with my Mother, and we drove through The Hill Country.
3533	And one [1] of the things; we stopped in Fredericksburg, Texas.
3534	And there was nobody in the store; there was a grocery store – uh, -
3535	uh, - a butcher store, a butcher shop.
3536	And there was nobody in the store.
3537	[02:21:44]

3538	[02:21:44]
3539	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'where is everybody'?
3540	'Oh, they are out there in The Auction'.
3541	'There's an Auction today; there's nobody here'; the store was open
3542	you know.
3543	So, we went down to The Auction and Papa sit next to me.
3544	And that guy started [making auctioneer sounds], you know.
3545	You know how they do it?
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3547	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3549	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And [inaudible] and he laughed
3550	like that.
3551	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3553	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3555	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And every time that guy did.
3556	So, and that, and so, I'll – I'll never forget it.
3557	And he said, 'and that goat goes to this gentleman over here'.
3558	[Laughter]
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3560	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3562	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'well, Papa you just
3563	bought yourself a goat'.
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3565	[02:22:17]
3566	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3568	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He – he couldn't believe that, you
3569	know.
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3571	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: What did – what did he think
3572	of the – the sausages here?
3573	Did he think they were different than what he made?
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3575	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, yeah. Yeah.
3576	You know, when I - he - 'I could make them better, you know', he
3577	says.
3578	But uh, - when he came home, he says, 'he makes them as good as
3579	we do', you know.
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3581	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3583	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: My Father could never praise us
3584	the way
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3586	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. Right.
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3588	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, -,
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3590	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well, your – your recipes –
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3593	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
3594	Your recipes uh, - when you got started?
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3596	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, yeah, the recipes – I brought
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3599	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Were they much different
3600	from Germany – Germany?
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3602	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, not really.
3603	I – I took the recipes from my home.
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3605	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, nothing here influenced
3606	them?
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3608	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I put a little bit more pepper – a
3609	little bit, you know, because they – the uh, - the American taste is a
3610	little bit like a – like a bit bitters – sharp.
3611	When you go today to Germany; I was in Germany just recently.
3612	It's all the same now, you know, but uh, - my sausages.
3613	I have people that take sausages home to Germany –
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3615	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3617	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because they – they say over here
3618	[02:23:21]

3619	[02:23:21]
3620	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: they taste like in olden times.
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3622	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
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3624	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: See, I make – mix my own
3625	seasonings all together.
3626	I buy pepper; I don't buy, you know, in Germany they buy wiener
3627	seasoning, bologna seasoning, and the salami seasoning when they
3628	make the sausages.
3629	I make my own; I mix my own.
3630	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3632	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, it's a – a mass produced
3633	seasoning that everybody gets?
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3635	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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3637	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, okay.
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3639	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They – they buy it over there.
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3641	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, okay.
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3643	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But I make it the way my Father
3644	used to.
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- 3646 **[02:23:48]**
- 3647 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Uh, when we were kids, we
- 3648 always helped him with making the seasonings, you know.

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3650 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 3652 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: When we used to sneeze and, you
- 3653 know, because the pepper.
- 3654 You walk around the pepper and you sneeze.

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3656 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 3658 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, uh, you learn you
- 3659 learned to love the people.
- You learned, you know, I had; you learned how to really appreciate
- 3661 the people, you know.
- 3662 I have, you know, I have people that come over here for years and
- 3663 **years**.
- 3664 I just might; I'm gonna have hip surgery next uh, next Thursday, a
- 3665 week from Thursday.
- 3666 And uh, I went to see the doctor, and he's from Harvard.
- 3667 And as I walked into the the to the place out there in Richardson
- 3668 there was this guy walked up to me.
- 3669 And he says, 'you are Mr. Kuby aren't you'?
- 3670 And I said, 'yes, I am'.
- 3671 He says, 'I'm Dr. Wells, I'm your doctor'.
- **3672 [02:24:57]**

3673	[02:24:57]
3674	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'oh, nice meeting you'.
3675	He's about thirty-seven [37], thirty-eight [38] years old.
3676	He – he was the Chief Residence in Harvard in – in hip surgery.
3677	And they had just hired him at Southwestern.
3678	And he says, 'I used to come to your store when I was a child'.
3679	'I grew up Midland and uh, - my Grandmother she was from
3680	Germany'.
3681	'And we would drive to – to Dallas about once a month and – and fill
3682	up with sausages from your place'.
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3684	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3686	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'And when I came to your place
3687	we always give you, you know, you give us some wieners, you know'
3688	And, you know, so it's – it's a small world, you know.
3689	I serve some real famous people.
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3691	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3693	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, I had Bob Hope.
3694	I had uh, - Henry Fonda when he was here, you know, you remember
3695	that show uh, - 'On Golden Pond'?
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3697	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3699	[02:25:58]

- 3700 **[02:25:58]**
- 3701 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then they had uh, a he was
- acting here at The S.M.U. Law at The S.M.U. Theater, Henry Fonda.
- 3703 And they called me, and he says, 'he wanted uh, a Ruben sandwich'.
- 3704 And I said, 'uh, -, oh, I take it over there'.
- 3705 And I went over there, and I came [inaudible] one night.
- 3706 And I come and there was nobody there, you know, in the morning.
- 3707 And I said, 'oh, my gosh, where could I find him'?
- 3708 And I saw this guy sitting way in the corner in in the hallway
- 3709 there.
- 3710 And, you know, where the there's there's a big hallway.
- 3711 And I saw it was some old man sitting there in a chair like this.
- 3712 And I walked over there, and he says, 'could you help me to find
- 3713 Henry Fonda'?
- 3714 He looked at me like this, and he says, 'I -
- 3715 And I said, 'oh, I'm sorry, that's you'.
- 3716 [Laughter]
- 3717 It was him.

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3719 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 3721 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, and he was already an
- 3722 **old man**.
- 3723 But you know him when you see him.
- 3724 And [inaudible] he was looking like an old man.
- 3725 And then Henry uh, Bob Hope, he sent uh, he's standing out there
- 3726 **[02:27:08]**

3727	[02:27:08]
3728	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: with a limousine when he gave a
3729	million dollars to S.M.U.
3730	And he – he wanted a sandwich, and I don't remember what he
3731	ordered.
3732	I think a – a corn beef sandwich.
3733	And uh, - the driver came in and I said to - he says, 'you better make
3734	it good it's for Bob Hope'.
3735	And I said, 'I help you carry it out'.
3736	And he said, 'I can carry it out'.
3737	And I said, 'oh, no, I help you'.
3738	So, I went out there and there was Bob Hope.
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3740	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3742	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Then in here, you know, Mickey
3743	Rooney.
3744	You know, one [1] day Mickey Rooney came into the store.
3745	And uh, - and he's the meanest guy.
3746	And I don't want you to say that.
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3748	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]
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3750	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But he – he had a rough language
3751	to say the least, you know.
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3754 [02:27:50] 3755 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. Yeah. 3756 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And he would sit out there in - in 3757 3758 the last booth. 3759 And the people would come up to him and want [inaudible], you 3760 know, want a autograph. 3761 He said, 'get these 'f' people out of here; I don't want to see them'. 3762 And I said, 'well, the' -3763 He says, 'I like your place, but I don't want to talk to you'. 3764 And I said, 'why don't you go back in there'? 3765 'And the only place I have where you can see people coming the the break room, you know'. 3766 3767 So, he would sit on that little bench here. 3768 3769 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, really? 3770 3771 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And – and he ate by himself. 3772 And then his son would pick him up. 3773 And you see uh, - Grant, what was his name? 3774 The actor, Grant? 3775 3776 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Grant, uh, -, Cary Grant. 3777 3778 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Cary Grant, yeah. 3779 He had a house there on uh, - a penthouse on Turtle Creek and

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- 3781 **[02:28:38]**
- 3782 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Lemon, you know, on the left side,
- way on top of the hill, and he stayed in that penthouse for -
- 3784 So, I asked him one [1] time, 'I said, uh, Mr. Mooney'.
- 3785 'Call me Mickey'.
- 3786 And I said, 'okay, Mickey'.
- 3787 And he says uh, I said uh, 'who who is your friends'?
- 3788 You know, he told me all of his friends.
- 3789 He was bad off, you know, and nobody help him anymore.
- 3790 And he says, 'well, I got only a few friends left'.
- 3791 And I said, 'you mean, you don't have no more friends'?
- 3792 And he says, 'well, I can count them on one [1] hand'.
- 3793 [Background Noise]
- 3794 'Ronald Reagan, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., uh, that
- 3795 Englishman, and one [1] more, you know'.
- 3796 And he said, 'they are the only one [1] that helped me'.
- 3797 Because he was, you know, it was over the top, you know.
- 3798 [Background Noise]

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3800 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.

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- 3802 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: He was married so many times
- 3803 that they cleaned him out every time, you know.
- 3804 [Background Noise]
- 3805 And uh, then we had also that that Dallas, you know, that Dallas
- 3806 uh, -, what other that that show, Dallas?
- 3807 **[02:29:53]**

3808	[02:29:53]
3809	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: The T.V. – the T.V. show?
3810	[Talking Over Each Other]
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3812	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, uh, - J.R. Hewing, you
3813	know.
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3815	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3817	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They would sit out – on the – on
3818	every Thursday they would come in here.
3819	And all my people they would – and they were nice people.
3820	They come over and – and they had their soups, uh, - and everything.
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3822	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well, were these uh, -
3823	people mostly from the Dallas area?
3824	Or, was Kuby's pretty nationally known, at this point, in some
3825	circles?
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3827	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Let – let me tell you something,
3828	Kuby's is very well known.
3829	You know, I have people coming in here; they have uh, - you know,
3830	each city they put in.
3831	You know, you go to a Travel Bureau and you [inaudible] and they
3832	say, 'what's uh, - the places to see in Dallas'?
3833	In Berlin, Travel Bureau, it says, 'The Must Is Kuby's', you know.
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3835	[02:30:38]
3836	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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3838	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 'You go see Kuby's'.
3839	And uh, -
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3841	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Can – can you give me a
3842	[inaudible] kind of - I - I want to talk about - a little bit about the
3843	scale of the business.
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3845	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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3847	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Compared to say, your
3848	Father's place in Germany before you left.
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3850	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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3852	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Like just the physical size of
3853	the space.
3854	Was it as big as what you have here?
3855	Or, was it much smaller?
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3857	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, my Father's business was only
3858	about the size of The Meat Market, you know.
3859	About, I show you uh, - how big it was.
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3862	[02:31:09]
3863	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3865	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - we are much bigger, you
3866	know.
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3868	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: And – and when, but even
3869	when you opened up in the fifties [1950's]?
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3871	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, then I was about the same.
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3873	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Same size, okay.
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3875	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, yeah.
3876	But I had – see I – I'm double endowed.
3877	My Grandfather [pause here] My Mother's Father, he had a
3878	restaurant.
3879	And my Mother was in the restaurant business.
3880	My Father had a Butcher Shop.
3881	So, I – I knew the restaurant from my Mother's side.
3882	And the – and the Butcher Shop from our side.
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3884	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum.
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3886	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know.
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3890	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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3892	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Uh, -
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3894	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: How many?
3895	How many animals would you go through a week when you first
3896	[1st] started?
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3898	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Here?
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3900	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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3902	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh.
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3904	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Approximately?
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3906	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: $I - I$, you know, $I - I$ would make
3907	maybe a thousand [1,000].
3908	I tell you the first [1st] day we took in forty-three dollars [\$43], you
3909	know.
3910	Let me tell you, and then I - then for a long time and then on the
3911	weekends we would make maybe a hundred and fifty dollars [\$150],
3912	you know.
3913	So, one [1] day a guy come in here dressed up; tuxedo practically it
3914	was a black suit and everything.
3915	[02:32:30]

- 3916 **[02:32:30]**
- 3917 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Had polished finger nails and
- 3918 everything.
- 3919 And he says, 'Joe Kambizzie [sp] told me that you make veal'.
- 3920 I said, 'yes, veal scaloppini', and I said, 'yeah, I can make you that'.
- 3921 And he says, 'uh, can you make me a hundred and fifty [150]
- 3922 scaloppini the veal steaks, you know, the chops'?
- 3923 'And put two [2] of them in a package and wrap them up'?
- 3924 'And then make me uh, fifty [50] lamb chops and then fifty [50] uh,
- 3925 veal chops'?
- 3926 'You know, and everything'?
- 3927 And I said, 'yes'.
- 3928 And he says, 'I pick it up on Saturday night, you know'.
- 3929 And I looked out there and he was out there with a stretch limousine
- and he had a Black chauffeur and then he got into the car and he
- 3931 drove off.
- 3932 And on Saturday night he came and picked that stuff up.
- 3933 And and we put dry ice with it; put it in a bag and everything, and
- 3934 put it in his car and [inaudible] up.
- 3935 So, he came about every year four [4] times.
- 3936 And they bought uh, more and more every time.
- 3937 And they had their wives with them; two [2] men and two [2] wives
- 3938 and the chauffeur.
- 3939 So, one [1] day, I mean, they they brought more money; they
- 3940 brought in one [1] bill one [1] Saturday night.
- When they came that like I took on the the whole week, you
- 3942 **[02:34:01]**

3943 [02:34:01] 3944 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: know, and they paid in silver 3945 dollars; they paid it in silver dollars. 3946 3947 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did you know who it was? 3948 3949 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I – I come to this. 3950 3951 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. [Laughter] 3952 3953 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, - so. 3954 3955 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: This is suspenseful. 3956 [Laughter] 3957 3958 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, uh, - so, one [1] day he 3959 ordered all the stuff and we were opened up at seven o'clock [7:00], 3960 you know. 3961 And I - I said, 'my gosh, the - the guy came in to pick up the stuff 3962 and I took it outside, and the limousine order is coming'. 3963 And then when I went home and there they were sitting on the 3964 bench in a hundred [100] degree weather. 3965 And all those bags with the - the stuff and it was next to them. 3966 And I said, 'what happened to your ride'? And he says, 'I don't - I don't know, we're - we'? 3967 And I said, 'well, where do you stay'? 3968 3969 [02:34:50]

- 3970 **[02:34:50]**
- 3971 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And he says, 'The Hilton Inn down
- 3972 here on Lovers Lane'.
- 3973 And I said, 'I can take you there'.
- 3974 And I had a Volkswagen car, you know, the little station wagon.
- 3975 And I put those two [2] women in there, and there was two [2] men,
- 3976 and they were not small men.
- 3977 And I packed everything in that stuff and it took it down there.
- 3978 And the first [1st] light we stopped, and he said, 'that's awful nice
- 3979 that you take us down here'.
- 3980 And I said, 'what are you doing here in Dallas'?
- 3981 And he said, 'oh, we're in the furniture business in The Gift Market,
- 3982 in the Gift Business'.
- 3983 I said, 'oh', and the next thing he says, 'it's very nice that you do
- 3984 that'.
- 3985 He says, 'uh, by the way, we're also in the banking business'.
- 3986 And I said, 'you are'?
- 3987 He says, 'yeah, if you ever need money uh, you just call me and we
- 3988 loan you the money two percent [2%] on the prime'.
- 3989 I said, 'that is good to know, how do I get in touch with you'?
- 3990 Oh, he said, 'just call Joe Kambizzie, you know, and uh, say that
- 3991 Carlos and Joseph' and what was their last name?
- 3992 Carlos and Joseph uh, their last name was [inaudible].
- 3993 And I said, 'okay', so, the when the time come when I and we
- went to to New York to get to The Market to buy stuff.
- 3995 So, I thought I need some money to pay cash, and and I went to
- 3996 **[02:36:14]**

3997 [02:36:14] 3998 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Joe and I said, 'can you so and 3999 so'? 4000 And he said, 'everybody out', you know, and he had an office, and all 4001 the bookies sitting in there, you know. 4002 'Everybody out', and he closed the door and he put me down there. 4003 And he says, [pause here] 4004 'Let me tell you about Carlos and Joseph'. 4005 'They're the nicest people in the World, but you don't want to loan 4006 money from them; no matter how cheap the money is'. 4007 And I said, 'why'? 4008 And he says, 'take my word for it; don't want money'. 4009 And sure enough they were The Cabolos [sp], and so a year - a year 4010 or two [2] later, they arrested him and they put him in the jail in Ft. 4011 Worth. 4012 He died seven [7] years later, they were the - the uh, - Mafia for the 4013 Southwest. 4014 4015 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4016 4017 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know. 4018 4019 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4020 4021 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: It was a 'Brush With Fame'. 4022 4023 [02:37:06]

- 4024 **[02:37:06]**
- 4025 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] Yeah.
- 4026 And was they almost got your store? [Laughter]

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- 4028 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: [Laughter]
- 4029 Yeah, they you know, they they would, you know, but Joe
- 4030 Kambizzie [sp], he told me, 'no'.

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4032 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter]

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- 4034 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But, you know, you know, you
- 4035 learn these people, you learn.
- 4036 But we this business, you know, the the same thing with the
- 4037 Catering Business.
- 4038 You know, I used to be catering like crazy.
- 4039 You know, because you knew, you you want to do a little bit of
- 4040 everything.
- 4041 So, one [1] day uh, The Mercedes Benz, they uh, they wanted the
- 4042 the new cars came out in nineteen eighty-four [1984] when
- 4043 Reagan became President.
- 4044 So, they came out with the new cars.
- 4045 And he says, 'so, Jim Stephenson [sp] called me'.
- 4046 And he says, 'I want to I want you to cater; I think we; you've got
- 4047 about thirty-five hundred [3,500] people coming up, and uh, and
- 4048 **so-and-so'**.
- 4049 And I said, 'okay, I do that; I I you can bring uh, uh, a band'.
- 4050 **[02:38:08]**

- 4051 **[02:38:08]**
- 4052 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And I said, 'oh, I got' and it was
- 4053 during The Fair, and we had a band from Germany.
- 4054 And [inaudible] that The Richardson Band and another band from -
- 4055 down from from The Hill Country.
- 4056 So, I said, 'I have three [3] bands'.
- 4057 And then he said, 'they can play for us'?
- 4058 And I said, 'yes', and so we had them.
- 4059 [Background Noise]
- 4060 And we served over there, and we I I was there.
- 4061 I I showed cars; I drove cars with and Annette Strauss [sp], she
- 4062 bought a car, and uh, it was an eighty-four [1984].
- 4063 And we ended up serving over ten thousand [10,000] people.
- 4064 [Background Noise]
- 4065 And when I told them how much it was, you know, I told them, I
- 4066 said, 'it's much more'.
- 4067 And he said; he just wrote me out a check for the difference, you
- 4068 **know**.
- 4069 And uh, but we were; we never ran out of food.

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4071 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.

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- 4073 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because we were close, you know.
- 4074 But you never know the the Catering Business is; you've got to be
- 4075 prepared for everything.

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- 4078 **[02:39:16]**
- 4079 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Do you still?
- 4080 Does the company still cater?

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- 4082 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, we do some, yeah.
- 4083 And we had 'The German Day of Texas'.
- 4084 You know, I was in in that; I was President of 'The German Day of
- 4085 **Texas.**'
- 4086 Uh, we had that deal with the with the, at at that time, Mr.
- 4087 Crocker [sp], he was the 'The Head of The State Fair of Texas'.
- 4088 And he wanted to have a 'German Day'; it was it was usually was
- 4089 the first [1st] weekend in in [pause here].
- 4090 And then we had we had a uh, celebrity from Germany.
- 4091 And uh, they came over; we had uh, Burner [sp] from [inaudible],
- 4092 he came here.
- 4093 He ate here and everything.
- 4094 We had The German Air Force Band from from El Paso or from
- 4095 Wichita Falls.
- 4096 And we had uh, Erhard Chancellor Erhard [sp].
- 4097 We had uh, Strauss [sp], Franz Strauss [sp], you know, the the -
- 4098 the uh, -, he was The Prime Minister from Bavaria the The
- 4099 Governor from Bavaria.
- 4100 He came over here –

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- 4102 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did you do any cooking for
- 4103 the?
- 4104 **[02:40:38]**

4105 [02:40:38] 4106 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did – did – did Kuby's do any 4107 cooking or catering? 4108 4109 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, yeah, we did all that. 4110 Yeah, we did that. 4111 And we had - also we had uh, - I belong to The Council of Churches 4112 here [inaudible] The Thanksgiving Square. 4113 And then uh, - we had uh, - The Pope, The Eastern Church of - from 4114 [inaudible] and he came. 4115 And I was the - I represented The Church - The Churches of Dallas, 4116 and - and welcomed them here in Dallas. 4117 And that guy was maybe that tall. 4118 4119 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4120 So, pretty short. [Laughter] 4121 4122 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, and so they put him on a 4123 chair and you see the building - the picture out there. 4124 I have a picture out there. 4125 And I'm – I'm about the same height where he was standing. 4126 [Laughter] 4127 4128 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4129 4130 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We – we had uh, - all kind 4131 [02:41:31]

4132 [02:41:31] 4133 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: of experiences like that. 4134 Uh, - then I had that uh, - one [1] time. We had a flood. 4135 4136 4137 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Here? 4138 4139 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, downtown. 4140 I had a place on [inaudible] - on uh, - on uh, Ross uh, - Ross Avenue. 4141 And uh, -, you know, that had a sprinkler system and when it gets 4142 really cold the sprinkler system. You're supposed to turn it off. 4143 4144 4145 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 4146 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because it - -4147 4148 4149 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Break the pipes. 4150 4151 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Otherwise it pops the pipes, you 4152 know. 4153 And [inaudible] - and it flooded the office. 4154 And we had four [4] feet of - -4155 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4156 Oh, wow.

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What street was this on?

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4160	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: That's how come Karl [sp] is
4161	working for me.
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4163	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] What?
4164	What road? Which street was this on?
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4166	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Ross Avenue and Central
4167	Expressway.
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4169	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: And what – what was the?
4170	What did you have there?
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4172	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I had the – The Processing Plant
4173	and the Restaurant.
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4175	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: It was The Processing Plant.
4176	Okay.
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4178	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And the restaurant; and the
4179	restaurant.
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4181	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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4183	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - uh, - we had uh, - we
4184	had a – a water buffalo in there that weighed three thousand six
4185	[02:42:31]

4186	[02:42:31]
4187	hundred [3,600] pounds which somebody shot.
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4189	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
4190	Well, you mentioned - you mentioned uh, - deer season.
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4192	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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4194	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Earlier and that it was – that
4195	it was an important part of the business early on.
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4197	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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4199	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Is it something you still?
4200	INTERVIEWEE KARL KURV CR. Ob south Ob south
4201 4202	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, yeah. Oh, yeah.
4202	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: How many? How many deer
4204	carcasses did you process?
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4206	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I think it take about thirty
4207	thousand [30,000] tickets.
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4209	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Per year?
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4211	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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4213	[02:42:53]
4214	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow.
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4216	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know they – they got now,
4217	they got uh, - all the [inaudible] and uh, - you know,
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4219	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, it goes beyond venison
4220	now.
4221	[Talking Over Each Other]
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4223	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, now we had – we get – we
4224	get uh, - cougars; we used to have uh, - Colonel Byrd – you know,
4225	Colonel Byrd [sp], you know, [inaudible] Byrd, you know, The
4226	[inaudible] Park over here, you know.
4227	[Talking Over Each Other]
4228	The [inaudible] - the [inaudible] family.
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4230	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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4232	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And she was married; Ms. Byrd
4233	was married to Colonel Byrd.
4234	And he was the brother of uh, - Admiral Byrd that discovered The
4235	South Pole.
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4237	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, really?
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4239	[02:43:31]

- 4240 [02:43:31] 4241 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4242 And Colonel Byrd was a Texas fan. 4243 And he had the Texas band down here on [inaudible] - LaSalle 4244 [inaudible] - uh, - Avenue right here in University Park. 4245 And we – and he was a – he hunted every deer in the world. 4246 And he had a uh, - a game home and it was at least the size of my 4247 store or maybe even better in his house. 4248 With - one [1] was a full elephant in there, tiger, lions, all stuffed 4249 and everything. 4250 It was - and he had a band there, and we would have that band at 4251 the – the Catering every year when Texas O.U. Game. [Talking Over Each Other] 4252 4253 4254 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. Yeah. During the - -4255 4256 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And when Texas won we – we had 4257 - they would never quit. 4258 4259 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4260 A Team party, huh?
- 4262 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, and uh, - -
- 4264 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Well, let can I I want to 4265 go back.
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4267 [02:44:28] 4268 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: When a little bit real quick. 4269 4270 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4271 4272 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Uh, - and again, if you - just 4273 let us know if you need to - - a drink or anything. 4274 4275 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, no. 4276 [Talking Over Each Other] 4277 4278 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: And I – I don't think we 4279 actually got to this – I asked it earlier. 4280 But uh, - did your time? 4281 Once coming over and experiencing the new space, the new uh, -4282 kind of cultures? 4283 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah. 4284 4285 4286 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did it? Did the time in South 4287 Texas? 4288 The time here since you've been here, did it influence the recipes at 4289 all? 4290 Like uh, - did you? 4291 And we - we've talked a little bit about -4292 [Talking Over Each Other] 4293

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4294	[02:44:58]
4295	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Okay.
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4297	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Was there – was there more
4298	to it than that, or?
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4300	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Uh, - yeah, you might adapt
4301	[inaudible], like I said a little early.
4302	I - I adapt more to the taste of American.
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4304	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4306	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But it's not to destroy the German
4307	taste.
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4309	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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4311	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: It's to enhance it so it would be
4312	palatable for them.
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4314	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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4316	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because they like it a little spicier
4317	than they
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4319	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, it's the spice mostly?
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4322	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: When it's too – too – too bland,
4323	you know.
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4325	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.
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4327	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And also there is one [1] thing
4328	about it.
4329	You know, I had one [1] time a Federal Inspected Plant and the
4330	American when you go Federal Inspect – Inspection; they tell you
4331	what you use.
4332	And when you make it the German way, you had to actually call it,
4333	'imitation'.
4334	Because, you know, like for instance, on [inaudible], you know, and
4335	the Bratwurst, in order to get the fine ground Bratwurst, you had to
4336	actually put a little bit more ice in it than ten percent [10%], even
4337	though to keep the – the emulsion cold enough to bind.
4338	And then when you cook it either way you don't - the - the water
4339	goes away anyway, it dries up.
4340	But uh, - you have to have it to emulsify the meat; you have to add
4341	more to it.
4342	And they – they actually told me, I have to put uh, - uh, - they
4343	changed it now.
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4345	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4348	[02:46:35]
4349	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, they changed it uh, -
4350	you – you can do it now the right way.
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4352	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Could – could you explain
4353	just the process of making sausage for?
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4355	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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4357	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Just trace back when you
4358	first [1st] started?
4359	And then maybe how that's changed over time?
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4361	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, normally sausage – that's –
4362	that's, you know, there's different sausages.
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4364	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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4366	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know, I make anything you -
4367	you want to.
4368	Like the main sausage is say a wiener.
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4370	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4372	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You use sixty percent [60%] beef
4373	or our wieners there's - there's about thirty percent [30%] beef,
4374	[02:47:16]

4375 [02:47:16] 4376 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: thirty percent [30%] uh, - veal, 4377 and thirty percent [30%] - twenty-five percent [25%] pork fat. 4378 4379 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 4380 4381 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Not fat uh, - jowls. 4382 4383 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 4384 4385 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And then fifteen percent [15%] 4386 water – ice. 4387 4388 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 4389 4390 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And you – you put that in the 4391 chopper and you chop it with the seasoning and everything. 4392 And until it has the - the consistency that was smooth, you know. 4393 And then you go ahead and you uh, - stuff it in casings. 4394 Twist them to the size you want. 4395 Then they let them dry up a little bit just for an hour or so. 4396 And then you put it in the smokehouse, and it takes about - in the 4397 modern smokehouses now it takes about an hour and a half [1 ½]; 4398 and hour and fifty minutes [1:50] to – to finish it up. 4399 And then they shower them down and then you have a good 4400 [inaudible]. 4401 [02:48:15]

4402 [02:48:15] 4403 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And the way it is like this [clearing 4404 throat]. 4405 You end up about with uh, - about ten percent [10%] gain with the 4406 water -4407 [Talking Over Each Other] 4408 4409 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 4410 4411 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You got to use fifteen percent 4412 [15%] but five percent [5%] evaporates. 4413 Right. 4414 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4415 4416 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You understand? 4417 4418 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yes. Yes. 4419 4420 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And so, now salami is different. 4421 Salami you don't - you don't use hardly any ice that you grind it up, 4422 you know, because it's - it's uh, - mostly all coarse, you know. 4423 4424 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, you know – you know 4425 the emulsification process the same? 4426 4427 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, you - you grind it up -4428 [02:48:53]

4429	[02:48:53]
4430	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: and – and chop it up frozen.
4431	Nowadays it's easier to do it [inaudible] to chop it frozen till it has
4432	the right consistency.
4433	Then you put your seasoning in it; you add pepper salt and – and
4434	then you stuff it, and then you let it; usually you let it hang
4435	overnight.
4436	You know, and it's up to the sausage maker and then at night; you
4437	overnight and then you smoke it slowly to about a hundred and fifty-
4438	nine [159] degrees.
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4440	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4442	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And shower it the next day.
4443	Now then you make some raw Bratwurst too like uh, - our raw salami
4444	but that - that takes uh, - fermenting where you have to use a - an
4445	aging product like uh, - it's calacitic [sp] acid or something like that -
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4448	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. Agreeing.
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4450	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: To – to – to preserve the meat.
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4452	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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4454	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, it will not go bad [inaudible]
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4456 [02:50:00] 4457 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: and we get [inaudible] and uh, -4458 and salt - salt, sugar and salt; a little bit sugar. 4459 4460 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Sure. 4461 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The Americans they make too 4462 4463 much sugar on everything. 4464 We don't do that. 4465 4466 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: So, before uh, - so, I guess 4467 when you started in the late fifties [1950's] early sixties [1960's], you had those larger chopping machines that? 4468 4469 4470 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah. I - had um. 4471 You know, I had to modify, you know. 4472 I - I couldn't get uh, - at that time you couldn't import them from 4473 Germany. 4474 4475 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: But they had them there 4476 when your uh, -4477 4478 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, I had some small machinery 4479 [inaudible] my Father saw at this coffee mill. 4480 You know, I had the small machinery that's uh, - like a coffee 4481 grinder.

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4483 [02:50:40] 4484 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 4485 [Talking Over Each Other] 4486 That's what your Father would use? 4487 4488 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah. 4489 4490 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 4491 4492 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, no, no. 4493 When they - but I used it when I -4494 4495 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh. Okay. 4496 [Laughter] 4497 4498 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know. 4499 4500 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4501 4502 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - so he called it a coffee 4503 mill. 4504 4505 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4506 4507 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know. 4508 4509 [02:50:51]

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4511	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: How much could you do at a
4512	time in that thing?
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4514	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: About sixty [60] pounds.
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4516	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Sixty [60] pounds.
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4518	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know.
4519	But, you know, I had - I had for the longest time.
4520	I had in front of the store I had a – a [inaudible] – the stuffing
4521	machine sitting there that was a hundred percent [100%] - a
4522	hundred [100] pound stuffer.
4523	And uh, - I - I figured one [1] time that we stuff with that thing
4524	about a million and a half pounds over the years.
4525	Because we – now we have a big one [1], you know.
4526	[Background Noise]
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4528	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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4530	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Automatic stuffer.
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4532	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah.
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4534	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You know.
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4538	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: How much?
4539	And how much [inaudible]?
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4541	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: That holds fifty-five hundred
4542	[5,500] pounds.
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4544	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, wow. Yeah.
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4546	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Of meats, you know, at the same
4547	time.
4548	That other one [1] only a hundred [100] pounds of meat, and that
4549	was – that operated with water pressure or ice or – or air pressure.
4550	You know, water pressure you couldn't control it too well.
4551	But you could, you know, the - all the machinery was made by
4552	Germans.
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4554	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4556	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And they – the water pressure is
4557	harder to control because you - you open it up full then you get uh, -
4558	more pressure.
4559	You open it up half [1/2] you get only half [1/2] pressure, you know
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4561	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right.
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4564 [02:52:04] 4565 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: But when air pressure you can 4566 calculate it. 4567 You know, you can -4568 4569 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Is that the vacuum stuffer? 4570 4571 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. Yeah. 4572 4573 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 4574 4575 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Vacuum – the vacuum is a 4576 different one [1]. 4577 But uh, - the vacuum stuffer is uh, - it works; it actually works the 4578 same thing. 4579 That you - you [inaudible] you draw the vacuum out of the, you 4580 know. 4581 4582 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing. 4583 4584 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And the – and then the – it's 4585 basically the same thing. 4586 You've got a – a piston inside uh, - a container like this. 4587 And you pushed it up and it squeezes it out to you. 4588 Agreeing. Right. 4589 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4590 [02:52:40]

4591 [02:52:40] 4592 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You understand? 4593 4594 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. Right. Right. 4595 4596 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You do like uh, - like uh, -4597 4598 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: And the air is pulled down, 4599 yeah. 4600 4601 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4602 4603 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. Okay. 4604 4605 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - then the smokehouses 4606 are much more different than they used to be. 4607 You know, we used to fire them underneath. 4608 You know, in the old times we – we had a basement. You fire them down there and make that fire. 4609 4610 And then you hold; then the sausages would be. 4611 Then you had to transfer them into the steam room and finish them 4612 up. 4613 4614 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: How would you? 4615 What was the fire source or the smoke source? 4616 Was it uh, -? 4617 [02:53:11]

4618 [02:53:11] 4619 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Uh, - gas. 4620 4621 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: It was gas, okay. Okay. 4622 4623 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. It was gas. 4624 But uh, - electric; nowadays everything is electric. 4625 4626 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Right. 4627 4628 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Because electric is efficient. 4629 You know, you can control it. 4630 I can; I have a smokehouse there; I can show it to you. 4631 4632 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 4633 Uh, - was there a certain type of wood that you used to make the 4634 smoke? 4635 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: What? 4636 4637 4638 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Is the - so, the - the smoke 4639 part of it, is that from a certain type of wood? 4640 4641 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, we, yeah, you use the hard 4642 wood. 4643 4644 [02:53:43]

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4646	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hard wood.
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4648	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We used a combination.
4649	Hard wood is like beechnut and – and uh, - oak.
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4651	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4653	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - I - the Americans like
4654	hickory or even uh, - mesquite wood.
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4656	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4658	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: The mesquite wood is too
4659	[inaudible] for German product.
4660	You know, it is too strong.
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4662	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, if you get too much
4663	smoke on there you can –
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4665	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah.
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	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: You can feel that in your
4668	throat when you [inaudible]
4669	[Talking Over Each Other]
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4672 [02:54:07] 4673 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, the wieners that's good for 4674 that. 4675 4676 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. 4677 4678 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: So, - so, you use beechnut. 4679 4680 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 4681 4682 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And uh, - or even oak. 4683 Oak is a little strong too, you know. 4684 Because it's in the hickory family, you know, hickory is uh, - like oak, 4685 uh, -. 4686 4687 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Did you? 4688 So, you've mentioned the Tar-Tar [sp] that the guy ordered. 4689 [Laughter] 4690 4691 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4692 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: And wanted it cooked more. 4693 4694 It – did you bring any other things over that besides the sausage 4695 that? 4696 4697 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, you know, I uh, - I did uh, -,

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- 4699 **[02:54:37]**
- 4700 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: you know, like potato sausage.

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4702 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Potato sausage?

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4704 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, you make potato sausage.

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4706 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay.

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- 4708 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: We we they they make them
- 4709 and then we stuff them.
- 4710 And we stuff them in in little containers like this.
- 4711 And the people fry them.
- They they put them in in the uh, and bake them in the oven.

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- 4714 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: I mean, is it exactly what it
- 4715 sounds like?
- 4716 It's potato stuffed?

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- 4718 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, what it is, potato sausage is
- 4719 about fifty percent [50%] potatoes and some fifty percent [50%]
- 4720 **pork**.
- 4721 And the potatoes are cut diced about uh, a quarter inch dice, you
- 4722 **know**.
- 4723 And and just they are partially cooked.
- 4724 And then you put put them in there, and then the people they –
- 4725 **[02:55:23]**

4726	[02:55:23]
4727	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: they – they – they bake them.
4728	You know, so it's - it's, you can actually make the same thing.
4729	Like you take fresh sausage on uh, - and you cook - cook some
4730	potatoes and mix the two [2] of them together, you know.
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4732	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Agreeing.
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4734	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: It's like the Germans like, but it
4735	has onions in it.
4736	And it has a little garlic in it, and it has herbs, lots of herbs in it.
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4738	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: You still make that here?
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4740	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. We make that here.
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4742	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum.
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4744	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Certain times of the year.
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4746	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Have you ever heard of a – a
4747	dish called Parisa [sp]?
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4749	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: What?
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4751	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Parisa [sp]?
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4753 [02:55:54] 4754 INTERVIEWEE: KERRY BEXLEY: Chorizo or Parisa [sp]? 4755 4756 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Pari – Parisa, P, A, R, I, S, A? 4757 Have you ever heard of that? 4758 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: No, uh, - it - it sounds like uh, -4759 4760 Uh, Italian. Is it Italian? 4761 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4762 Well, it's - [Laughter] 4763 I ask everybody this that has any connection to [clearing throat] 4764 Germany. 4765 4766 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: How you spell it? 4767 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4768 It's - It's P, A, R, I, S, A, as 4769 far as I can tell. 4770 4771 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, it's Parisian – there's a Par – 4772 Parisa, Paris. 4773 4774 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, so, - so, well it's - it's 4775 uh, - the only place I can find it made is my home county which is 4776 Medina County. 4777 And there's mostly uh, - so, it's a German French popular.

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They came from [inaudible] Lorraine [sp].

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4780 [02:56:31] 4781 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Oh, yeah, yeah, they - I know 4782 where they come [inaudible] -4783 4784 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [clearing throat] 4785 From Castroville [sp]. 4786 4787 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Castroville, yeah, Castroville. 4788 Yeah, yeah, that's probably - yeah, that is - that is [inaudible], 4789 Parisian [sp]. 4790 4791 Okay. INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4792 4793 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, they – they make that – it's 4794 not a wiener, it's - it's uh, - it's like a - a little spicy little sausage. 4795 And they – they don't smoke it too much. 4796 4797 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Oh, okay, so that's 4798 something - I that - so what I'm talking about is actually a - it - it's 4799 like Tar Tar. 4800 So, it's this kind of dish of raw uh, - round steak typically. 4801 4802 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, you cook it -4803 4804 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: You don't really cook it. 4805 You use - you use lemon juice. [Laughter]

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4807 [02:57:06] 4808 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You eat it raw? 4809 4810 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, they do. Agreeing. 4811 4812 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Don't – I don't know, it's not a 4813 sausage Parisian [sp]. 4814 4815 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Okay. 4816 I thought maybe my, cause where - where they came from is -4817 [Talking Over Each Other] 4818 Yeah, it's similar. Yeah, it's similar to [inaudible]. 4819 4820 Uh, - well I thought I'd ask because you were basically on the other 4821 side of the France German border from my ancestors where -4822 [Talking Over Each Other] 4823 Where they were [inaudible]. 4824 I'm sorry. 4825 Oh, okay. 4826 4827 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, I'm – I'm [inaudible], you 4828 know. 4829 4830 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Probably about the same 4831 amount of time. 4832 They – they were probably twenty [20] miles on - -4833 [02:57:42]

4834 [02:57:42] INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: 4835 That is kind of then - - they put -4836 they put uh, - ice in it or what? 4837 4838 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: No, it's got cheese and 4839 uh, -, onions. 4840 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, onions and cheese and - -4841 4842 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: 4843 Sometimes some peppers. 4844 4845 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Spicy. 4846 4847 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, it's pretty spicy. 4848 And you can make it spicy. 4849 4850 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: See that like uh, -4851 Like uh, - some of the French sausages when you buy them over 4852 there it's different than over here. 4853 4854 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Hum. 4855 Maybe I should investigate that part of it a little bit – a little bit. 4856 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: I - I - I find out about that. 4857 4858 And the next time I come down and I buy some of that. 4859 4860 [02:58:19]

4861 [02:58:19] 4862 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: They only -4863 4864 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: They have it in Castroville? 4865 4866 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah. It's in some of the 4867 stores. 4868 It's not as good as people that make it in their homes usually. 4869 4870 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4871 4872 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: But uh, - and they - people 4873 that make it in their homes only do it in the winter. 4874 Uh, - it's - it probably stems from, you know, when you kill an animal 4875 in the winter, right? 4876 4877 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: And – and each one [1] makes the best. 4878 4879 Each family makes - -4880 4881 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, well, that's true. 4882 [Laughter] 4883 Everybody's homemade sausage is the best sausage. 4884 4885 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah, that's right. 4886 4887 [02:58:40]

4888 [02:58:40] 4889 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4890 4891 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: That's the kind of, yeah. 4892 Each – each one makes the best. 4893 4894 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4895 [Clearing Throat] 4896 Well, uh, -, 4897 4898 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, I don't know if I have said 4899 everything. 4900 4901 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Have you – you've said a lot. 4902 Uh, - I'm sure I'll have some questions. 4903 But uh, - did you have? 4904 Can you think of anything else you'd want to add at the moment, 4905 cause I - I can't really? 4906 4907 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Karl, you didn't know anything I 4908 should cover? 4909 4910 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: I meant to come back and 4911 interview Karl separately to get his take. 4912 [Talking Over Each Other] 4913 4914 [02:59:08]

4915 [02:59:08] 4916 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4917 [Talking Over Each Other] 4918 4919 MALE: You've had three [3] hours. 4920 4921 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: [Laughter] 4922 4923 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Well, they told me I should take 4924 my time. 4925 4926 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yeah, you did - it's - it's 4927 been great. 4928 It's been great. I'm gonna go ahead and turn it off then. 4929 4930 4931 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Yeah. 4932 4933 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: And I just wanted to say 4934 thanks for spending three [3] hours of your time with us. 4935 4936 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Okay. Okay. 4937 4938 INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: I really appreciate it. 4939 4940 INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: You – you want to go uh, - oh, 4941 [02:59:28]

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4943	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: she's taking the pictures right?
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4945	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Yes, she is.
4946	Yeah, Della [sp] is taking the pictures for us.
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4948	INTERVIEWEE: KARL KUBY SR.: Okay.
4949	[Talking Over Each Other]
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4951	INTERVIEWER: MARVIN BENDELE: Thank you.
4952	[Talking Over Each Other]
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