Robert Giron Interview

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00:00:03 Speaker 1

Good morning. This is my name. My name is Datana boilet.

00:00:10 Speaker 1

And I'm an American Red Cross volunteer at Fort Bliss. We're at this interview will take place.

00:00:18 Speaker 1

The Library of Congress has requested the Fort Bliss American Red Cross interview veterans for their Veterans History project at the American Folklore Center in DC.

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Today.

00:00:38 Speaker 1

We are seated in building 45 at Fort Bliss, TX, where the interview is taking place with Pfc Private First Class Robert Hirun.

00:00:53 Speaker 1

And that is spelled with a GIRON but pronounced hildon.

00:01:03 Speaker 1

And now Robert will speak in his own words.

00:01:09 Speaker 1

And he will give you his full name.

00:01:13 Speaker 1

His date of birth.

00:01:16 Speaker 1

His place of birth and names of your wife and children. And Robert is slightly hearing impaired, so I will be shouting and he will, if he does not understand me, he will put his hand up to his ear.

00:01:37 Speaker 1

And I will repeat the questions and now I present you Pfc, Robert Hieron. Give me your full name. OK, Robert.

00:01:52 Speaker 1

And the date of birth.

00:01:54 Speaker 2

September 24, 1920.

00:01:58 Speaker 2

I was born San Angelo, TX.

00:02:03 Speaker 2

Carmen, my wife.

00:02:06 Speaker 1

And your children.

00:02:07 Speaker 2

'S first one is Virginia.

00:02:12 Speaker 2

Robert Leroy.

00:02:15 Speaker 2

Joseph Anthony and Julianne.

00:02:18 Speaker 1

You have four children and how many grandchildren?

00:02:22 Speaker 2

Oh, we've got 7 grandchildren and seven Jean's great grandchildren 7/7.

00:02:34 Speaker 1

Do you have any siblings, brothers or sisters?

00:02:41 Speaker 1

Brothers.

00:02:43 Speaker 1

Do you have any brothers?

00:02:45 Speaker 2

Oh, I have two. I have one here in El Paso and the other ones in Pueblo, Co one sister in Florida.

00:02:51 Speaker 1

Are they living?

00:02:55 Speaker 1 Are they living? 00:02:57 Speaker 2 Still leaving. 00:03:00 Speaker 1 Were any of them in the service? 00:03:03 Speaker 2 Isn't no. My older brother. He passed away 15 years ago. 00:03:13 Speaker 1 Let's see in the. 00:03:13 Speaker 2 Army he was in the army. He was out. 00:03:18 Speaker 2 ln. 00:03:19 Speaker 2 The other brother, he watched him in Pueblo. 00:03:24 Speaker 2 He wasn't. 00:03:27 Speaker 2 His second armor. 00:03:31 Speaker 2 He's over here, too. He can. He can hardly eat through. 00:03:40 Speaker 2 But he still keeping let me. 00:03:43 Speaker 1 Are your children in the army? 00:03:48 Speaker 1 Are your children in the army? 00:03:51 Speaker 1

Are your children in the? 00:03:53 Speaker 2 Army. No, no, they have one. 00:03:57 Speaker 2 Is he retired? 00:03:59 Speaker 2 1. 00:04:01 Speaker 1 Yes, your son, my son. 00:04:01 Speaker 2 White children. 00:04:04 Speaker 1 And what was his rank? 00:04:06 Speaker 2 Or major, major, his wife. 00:04:11 Speaker 2 He said Lieutenant of four. Colonel. Now she's stealing their reserves. 00:04:19 Speaker 2 His wife. 00:04:20 Speaker 1 Were they ever in conflict? 00:04:24 Speaker 1 Were they ever in a war? 00:04:26 Speaker 2 Oh. 00:04:28 Speaker 2 It was he wasn't. 00:04:31 Speaker 2 Yeah.

00:04:32 Speaker 2 In Somalia? 00:04:36 Speaker 1 In Somalia? 00:04:39 Speaker 1 Your father. 00:04:43 Speaker 1 And what was your father's occupation? 00:04:49 Speaker 2 It's an Angel. He was a warehouse man. 00:04:55 Speaker 2 We got, we got through the depression, got so bad we had to get out of Texas yet. 00:05:03 Speaker 2 With with the job we got in there. So my dad saw the house. 00:05:12 Speaker 2 And whoever takes. 00:05:16 Speaker 2 Yeah. 00:05:19 Speaker 1 Take off your hat. 00:05:20 Speaker 2 Remove this. 00:05:28 Speaker 1 What did you do before you went in the? 00:05:30 Speaker 1 Army. 00:05:32 Speaker 2 I was working in the fields and the press. 00:05:37 Speaker 1

What did you do?

00:05:39 Speaker 1

What did you do in the?

00:05:41 Speaker 1

Field.

00:05:44 Speaker 2

Because we're back there and rest.

00:05:56 Speaker 1

How did you enter the service?

00:05:59 Speaker 2

I was drafted.

00:06:01 Speaker 2

Yeah, it took me.

00:06:04 Speaker 1

I don't have anybody that's been drafted. Everybody that I have has volunteered that I interviewed.

00:06:15 Speaker 2

It it dragged me so when?

00:06:16 Speaker 1

Mm-hmm.

00:06:20 Speaker 2

I will grab, Sir.

00:06:22 Speaker 1

How did you adjust to the military service?

00:06:25 Speaker 2

I like it.

00:06:27 Speaker 1

Why? What did you like?

00:06:29 Speaker 2

Because was different from working on the people. If in in the regular payday every month we get a check, I mean.

00:06:38 Speaker 1

Cash. How much?

00:06:41 Speaker 2

Getting \$50 my my older brother only getting \$21.00 when he winning.

00:06:42 Speaker 1

\$21.00 a day \$31.00 a day, once a month.

00:06:48 Speaker 1

Yeah, my husband.

00:06:50 Speaker 2

Yeah, I've got \$20.50 dollars, \$40, please.

00:06:58 Speaker 1

Would you like the food?

00:07:00 Speaker 2

Movie is it?

00:07:02 Speaker 1

And did you have any social life?

00:07:07 Speaker 1

Did you have any social life?

00:07:10 Speaker 1

Did you go dancing?

00:07:13 Speaker 1

Did you go to the movies?

00:07:14 Speaker 2

We went to.

00:07:17 Speaker 2

USO USO and you in France? That's what it took a picture. Me in France. Well, what's up?

00:07:18 Speaker 1

So.

00:07:27 Speaker 1

What part over the air?

00:07:27 Speaker 2

We we are your friends.

00:07:31 Speaker 2

I want to spend 7 days there and enjoy it.

00:07:34

Umm.

00:07:37 Speaker 1

Why did you choose the army and not the Navy?

00:07:41 Speaker 2

Well, the drafting so.

00:07:44 Speaker 1

Oh, that's right. You were drafted. You have no choice. That's right. That shouldn't have asked that question.

00:07:52 Speaker 1

Now from your basic training.

00:07:55 Speaker 1

Do you remember from basic training basic?

00:08:02 Speaker 2

Nancy, go ahead and we'll bring more.

00:08:03 Speaker 1

Training. Where was that? Where?

00:08:07 Speaker 2

Kent worston. See Kemp, Forrest, Tennessee. It may be.

00:08:09 Speaker 1

What?

00:08:12 Speaker 1

I never heard of.

00:08:12 Speaker 1

That one.

00:08:13 Speaker 1

Yeah. Oh, yeah.

00:08:16 Speaker 2

This is what?

00:08:18 Speaker 2

150 miles from Nashville.

00:08:20 Speaker 1

Oh yeah.

00:08:21 Speaker 2

That they went in the field when Huntsville, AL. From there they will say about 15 months.

00:08:29 Speaker 1

And did you?

00:08:32 Speaker 1

Do you remember your instructors? Did they ever do anything special that you could remember that happened to you while you were in training?

00:08:41 Speaker 2

Oh yeah.

00:08:42 Speaker 1

What happened to you while you were in training?

00:08:46 Speaker 2

I wish you enjoyed training because I was strong.

00:08:48 Speaker 1

Yeah.

00:08:51 Speaker 1

You still are strong, but on your instructors, is there any one that?

00:08:58 Speaker 1

You remember above all.

00:09:01 Speaker 2

Ohh yeah, he he he backed in the first battle. He got killed. Sergeant. A Sergeant from Georgia, Georgia. He went from Georgia. His name is.

00:09:07 Speaker 1

Do you remember his name?

00:09:12 Speaker 2

90 listening was night. I forgot his name. He was right beside me. When?

00:09:15

Oh.

00:09:18 Speaker 2

He shot him.

00:09:20 Speaker 1

Oh, sure.

00:09:22 Speaker 2

He said don't hurry and get down, Sir.

00:09:26 Speaker 2

It's too late. You better.

00:09:28 Speaker 2

That was.

00:09:30 Speaker 2

It is the children beats because the children beats in in France.

00:09:34

What?

00:09:34 Speaker 2

What you're gonna have?

00:09:37 Speaker 2

Reach over there and down and the German was shooting that Sergeant. He he was step Sergeant. He wants us to go up to the rest of the people.

00:09:39 Speaker 1 Wow. 00:09:46 Speaker 1 Like. 00:09:52 Speaker 2 And don't get down surging. 00:09:54 Speaker 2 Too late. You got it. 00:09:56 Speaker 1 Did you get to meet his family when you came back to the states? 00:10:00 Speaker 2 I didn't see you. 00:10:05 Speaker 1 Do you think his name is in Washington? 00:10:08 Speaker 1 On the honor. 00:10:09 Speaker 2 Roll. And did you see his name on the honor? 00:10:14 Speaker 1 Roll. 00:10:16 Speaker 2 Yes. 00:10:18 Speaker 2 Yeah, they're all there. 00:10:25 Speaker 1 Now, when you were in the European theater of operation, did you ever see any celebrities? 00:10:34 Speaker 2 OK. 00:10:35 Speaker 1

Did you ever see any celebrities movie stars? 00:10:39 Speaker 1 Did you? Did you have entertainment? 00:10:43 Speaker 1 While you were in France. 00:10:46 Speaker 2 When we leave New York. 00:10:48 Speaker 2 We went to Scotland and from Scotland went to England. 00:10:53 Speaker 2 And from England, France, where I was after the invasion. 00:11:00 Speaker 2 I remember when. 00:11:00 Speaker 2 It was going in France, didn't Trump with dead people, it was bringing the car loads, truck loads. 00:11:02 Speaker 1 Yeah. 00:11:12 Speaker 1 But they they did not have caskets, did they? Did they have a casket? 00:11:24 Speaker 2 Good. 00:11:27 Speaker 2 No, because they were just picking them up. There wasn't no casket there. In fact, later on. 00:11:38 Speaker 2 When we got to Germany, I mean in France. 00:11:42 Speaker 2 We had to, we we rested about. 00:11:48 Speaker 2 We gave it a rest, but we're stopping.

00:11:52 Speaker 2

The reveal has been.

00:11:55 Speaker 2

Generally being killed and then they pick him up, who had to bury 3 Germans?

00:12:01 Speaker 2

Me and our bodies hit the burn because they had to stick. You couldn't stand it, so we had to burn 3.

00:12:10 Speaker 2

And then we will get that.

00:12:12 Speaker 1

How do you feel?

00:12:14 Speaker 1

That you did that.

00:12:21 Speaker 2

Captures young soldiers.

00:12:27 Speaker 2

Come on, come on, come on. You simply be grateful and they would come on. But some people change their children. I wouldn't shoot.

00:12:46 Speaker 2

A motion to get up because I didn't want to.

00:12:49 Speaker 1

Kill the Germans.

00:12:52 Speaker 2

But dude, come home and so.

00:12:56

So.

00:12:57 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:12:59 Speaker 2

Those times I've gotten mad at them because when we capture some, they've been killed some months at one time I had to kick him, but just got mad because she don't kill my buddies. So they were prison, I think she.

00:13:21 Speaker 1 Would you like to take a sip of? 00:13:23 Speaker 1 Water. 00:13:24 Yeah. 00:13:24 Speaker 1 Would you like some water? 00:13:28 Speaker 2 And and the Mama gets sore. Maybe. 00:13:32 Speaker 1 It's the air conditioner. I have the same thing happens to me. I have the same problem. Yeah. 00:13:33 Speaker 2 I don't know. 00:13:35 Speaker 2 Yeah, you say you have the same title, I think. 00:13:43 Speaker 1 I got them. 00:14:14 Speaker 2 You don't have anymore. That's your last one, no? 00:14:18 Speaker 1 I got the lemon drops. 00:14:20 Speaker 1 I mean, I got the lifesavers. 00:14:21 Speaker 2 Thank you.

00:14:29 Speaker 1 If you want to take it out of. 00:14:30 Speaker 1 Your mouth, while we're talking, you can put it right over here. 00:14:33 Speaker 1 OK. 00:14:37 Speaker 1 All right. How we going? How we going? 00:14:44 Speaker 2 She goes. 00:15:13 Speaker 1 Now let me see how old were you? How old were you when you were drafted? And were you single? 00:15:30 Speaker 2 No matter. 00:15:36 Speaker 1 Besides. 00:15:39 Speaker 1 The European Theater of operation. Did you serve in Korea? 00:15:45 Speaker 2 No, no. 00:15:48 Speaker 1 How many years were you in the army? 00:15:52 Speaker 2 Three years and three months. 00:15:54 Speaker 2 More, more or less. 00:15:56 No. 00:16:01 Speaker 1

While you were. 00:16:02 Speaker 1 Overseas, how did you stay in touch with your wife? 00:16:07 Speaker 2 When they come out. 00:16:09 Speaker 1 From over there. 00:16:14 Speaker 2 Six months later, I met Herring that was in Nebraska. 00:16:18 Speaker 1 OK, now. 00:16:21 Speaker 1 While you were in. 00:16:23 Speaker 1 Europe. 00:16:25 Speaker 1 Were you in contact with your family? Your parents? How? 00:16:30 Speaker 2 Over mail e-mail. 00:16:33 Speaker 1 And the e-mail was free. 00:16:34 Speaker 2 We call it female. 00:16:38 Speaker 1 Talk about that. Say something more about that. 00:16:42 Speaker 2 No, but that's I used to write to my sister and my mother. 00:16:49 Speaker 2 For the fact that.

00:16:50 Speaker 2

I met my brother and friends because he was he went to see the same place he was dealing with.

00:16:58 Speaker 2

3rd Army we won a third Army getting army.

00:17:01 Speaker 1

Right.

00:17:04 Speaker 2

Now men, my brother, we will rest area.

00:17:06 Speaker 1

You met your brother.

00:17:11 Speaker 2

And I made the see the.

00:17:14 Speaker 2

Actual server with the Jeep and his unit. My brother's unit was there through there and talk with him and I got permission the next day.

00:17:25 Speaker 2

The chaplain to come pick me.

00:17:27 Speaker 2

Up.

00:17:28 Speaker 2

Went to see my brother but.

00:17:30 Speaker 2

03 miles back.

00:17:34 Speaker 2

That's that's the only thing about didn't see my little brother because he was he went to, he was in Germany.

00:17:42 Speaker 2

And he wasn't soliciting. There was the one in Pueblo.

00:17:48 Speaker 1

That was his right. 00:17:51 Speaker 2 Pfc We didn't got no place. 00:17:54 Speaker 1 He was drafted. 00:17:58 Speaker 1 Did your parents send you packages when you were overseas? 00:18:03 Speaker 2 You send. 00:18:04 Speaker 1 Me. What packages? 00:18:19 Speaker 1 Did you get the Purple Heart? 00:18:23 Speaker 1 Did you get the Purple Heart? 00:18:24 Speaker 2 Yeah, I told you. I got it when I was in. 00:18:27 Speaker 2 Bed. 00:18:30 Speaker 2 Yeah. 00:18:31 Speaker 1 Why? 00:18:33 Speaker 2 What? 00:18:33 Speaker 2

Because I was wondering where where in England there wasn't a husband in England for three months.

00:18:43 Speaker 1

Where on your body?

00:18:45 Speaker 2

My back's full. Got two wounds. Stratton got me.

00:18:51 Speaker 2

Who was? I was saying that when when it happens, we killed 1 and wouldn't my other buddy.

00:18:59 Speaker 2

He killed 1.

00:19:01 Speaker 2

Had him go see this one in.

00:19:02 Speaker 2

The little room.

00:19:05 Speaker 2

I went by the door.

00:19:07 Speaker 2

And the chill came in.

00:19:10 Speaker 2

He got me. He got you and got the other one in the other room. He was. I didn't go see him. They must have hit direct.

00:19:20 Speaker 1

You were in your barracks.

00:19:23 Speaker 2

In the building small building it.

00:19:25 Speaker 2

Must have been a schoolhouse.

00:19:27 Speaker 1

In France.

00:19:27 Speaker 2

Who was just sitting in Germany and Luxembourg.

00:19:31 Speaker 1

Luxembourg.

00:19:36 Speaker 1

And how did you receive the Purple Heart?

00:19:40 Speaker 2

How?

00:19:42 Speaker 2

I told you I was. I was in bed in the hospital.

00:19:49 Speaker 1

Talk about it.

00:19:50 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:19:51 Speaker 2

I was in the hospital.

00:19:53 Speaker 2

Laying in bed.

00:19:55 Speaker 2

One side, because of the wound, I was just.

00:19:58 Speaker 1

And they gave you the purple.

00:20:00 Speaker 2

That's it. No, sorry. One is just.

00:20:04 Speaker 2

Just the word purple.

00:20:09 Speaker 1

The victory medal. You didn't get the victory medal, the victory.

00:20:16 Speaker 1

The victory medal.

00:20:17 Speaker 2

No, I never received the victory medal.

00:20:20 Speaker 2

I don't care.

00:20:23 Speaker 1

I care.

00:20:27 Speaker 1

Now being at war and being away from your parents, from your siblings, from everybody when you can.

00:20:38 Speaker 1

Back. How did you feel? What was the impact from?

00:20:43 Speaker 1

Being over there.

00:20:44 Speaker 2

I was good glad to get back.

00:20:47 Speaker 1

But you didn't have bad dreams about it, did you?

00:20:50 Speaker 2

I wanted to go back.

00:21:01 Speaker 1

So it gave you a good feeling.

00:21:04 Speaker 2

Because I love the army, the only thing.

00:21:07 Speaker 2

Is shooting there?

00:21:09 Speaker 1

Yeah, but there's more in the army than just shooting, yeah.

00:21:12 Speaker 2

That was them after work.

00:21:15 Speaker 1

So when you came back, you got married.

00:21:18 Speaker 2

The new Korea started. That was gonna start working with civil service and they're putting.

00:21:25 Speaker 2

33 years.

00:21:27 Speaker 2

In civil search.

00:21:29 Speaker 1

What did you do?

00:21:31 Speaker 2

Well, and next that was just the bus driver and said get up.

00:21:38 Speaker 2

But.

00:21:41 Speaker 1

Financially.

00:21:42 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:21:44 Speaker 2

It had been here since. That's why. That's why I put in in Nebraska civil service with a friend for over because it was. It was when I closed it.

00:21:48 Speaker 1

Oh.

00:21:59 Speaker 2

Orders can kill orders.

00:22:06 Speaker 1

Your career ended at at White Sands. Your career ended at White Sands. You didn't get a second job after you retired.

00:22:13 Speaker 2

He replied said yes.

00:22:20 Speaker 2

Yes, I did. I hate to to, to feel to.

00:22:25 Speaker 2

Accumulating because I didn't hear no, hardly any Social Security. I worked with schools.

00:22:35 Speaker 2

Nine years.

00:22:36 Speaker 1

What did? What did you do?

00:22:39 Speaker 2

Driving the bus.

00:22:42 Speaker 1

Well, you could be my chauffeur anytime.

00:22:43 Speaker 2

Didn't work, then I had no job. It's a generator two days a week. I had two jobs.

00:22:55 Speaker 2

That help my Social Security. I don't get much so.

00:23:04 Speaker 1

Having been in the army, having been at war.

00:23:09 Speaker 1

How do you feel about the army in general?

00:23:19 Speaker 2

They were afraid and some of.

00:23:22 Speaker 2

There was brave little too brave and they got killed. That wasn't that brave, but.

00:23:28 Speaker 2

Wins.

00:23:30 Speaker 2

I've seen by people crying because it was afraid I was afraid.

00:23:40 Speaker 1

Did you make any friends that you carried over into your civilian life?

00:23:49 Speaker 2

Get out.

00:23:50 Speaker 2

One of my buddies from West Virginia wrote to me. You want me to go with you, West Virginia, to work in the minefield? Was already married and.

00:24:00 Speaker 2

Thank you.

00:24:05 Speaker 2

And then when I thought working the civil service, you would again you send me \$10.00 so I can go see you you spend \$10.00 with customer where I knew Levi Brown, what's his name?

00:24:20

OK.

00:24:38 Speaker 1

I would like for you to show.

00:24:41 Speaker 1

The Youth of America.

00:24:44 Speaker 1

I would like for you to show the Youth of America in the future generation.

00:24:50 Speaker 1

What the hats look like.

00:24:53 Speaker 1

What your cap looks like?

00:24:56 Speaker 1

The hat show us.

00:25:03 Speaker 2

No, this year.

00:25:06 Speaker 2

This is the small limit.

00:25:09 Speaker 1

That's OK. 00:25:09 Speaker 2 I don't know why. 00:25:10 Speaker 2 Mr. Strong Member is stupid. Look at that. 00:25:19 So. 00:25:21 Speaker 2 In the picture there. 00:25:25 Speaker 1 Put it on again. Again, I want to say something about it. It's OK. 00:25:26 Speaker 2 You know. 00:25:28 Speaker 2 They're still smalls. 00:25:34 Speaker 1 You wore this hat. What year? What year? 00:25:39 Speaker 2 That's when I got out. When I left, when I was before I went overseas, I bought this. 00:25:47 Speaker 1 What do they? 00:25:47 Speaker 1 Call those hats. They had a name. 00:25:51 Speaker 2 Your name. 00:25:52 Speaker 1 The Hat Garrison Garrison? Yeah. 00:25:54 Dude.

00:26:00 Speaker 1 OK, now show us. 00:26:03 Speaker 2 This is for the see. 00:26:08 Speaker 1 Put it on. 00:26:08 Speaker 2 There's there's a difference this this. 00:26:12 Speaker 1 But speak a little louder. 00:26:14 Speaker 1 Speak louder. 00:26:19 Speaker 2 See. 00:26:22 Speaker 1 This way. 00:26:33 Speaker 1 And what do you call this hat? 00:26:37 Speaker 1 This DFW. 00:26:40 Speaker 2 He says right there and this this is. 00:26:42 Speaker 1 Yeah. 00:26:46 Speaker 1 The purple. 00:26:47 Speaker 2 Heart that belongs to Dave Evil with anybody. 00:26:52 Speaker 2

Disable events have resolved chapter Chapter 10.

00:26:53 Speaker 1

Yeah. Would you like?

00:26:59 Speaker 1

Chapter 10. What is that? What is check? Oh, the chapter. The VFW chapter. OK.

00:27:01 Speaker 2

Person.

00:27:04 Speaker 2

10/15.

00:27:06 Speaker 2

From floristry.

00:27:08 Speaker 2

You took this?

00:27:10 Speaker 2

It's a chapter 10.

00:27:14 Speaker 2

This is hurtful.

00:27:15 Speaker 1

Yeah.

00:27:21 Speaker 1

Look at Carmen.

00:27:26 Speaker 1

Look at the door. Yeah, I like that.

00:27:30 Speaker 2

Great.

00:27:35 Speaker 1

Now when you came back from the army.

00:27:40 Speaker 1

Did you join any organizations? Yeah, the VFW. What else? Anything else?

00:27:42 Speaker 2 Yeah. 00:27:48 Speaker 2 No, enough that just BMW. When I got to El Paso. 00:27:52 Speaker 2 Then. 00:27:53 Speaker 2 I joined the DAV. 00:27:56 Speaker 2 When they are on the report. 00:28:01 Speaker 1 Do you belong to any organizations that are not military? 00:28:07 Speaker 2 None of these. Just this, yeah. 00:28:11 Speaker 2 Purple Hub VFW suite. 00:28:15 Speaker 2 American these have been after me. They wanted. 00:28:21 Speaker 1 About civilian organizations, you know? 00:28:25 Speaker 1 Bless you, Zachary. Did he belong there? I mean. 00:28:31 Speaker 1 Well, we've been there more 15 years. 00:28:35 Speaker 2 Did you work at Blessed Sacrament? What did you do at Blessed Sacrament society? 00:28:41 Speaker 2 No. 00:28:44 Speaker 1

Oh, just go to church, yeah.

00:28:53 Speaker 1

OK.

00:28:55 Speaker 1

I think we are.

00:28:59 Speaker 1

The soldier that you kept in touch with from West Virginia. Where was that virgin? No.

00:29:07 Speaker 1

The soldier you were talking about a minute ago that wanted the \$10.

00:29:13 Speaker 2

What?

00:29:14 Speaker 1

The soldier who wanted the \$10 where does he live?

00:29:18 Speaker 2

West Virginia Beckley likely we were just thinking he was the best.

00:29:19 Speaker 1

West Virginia.

00:29:23 Speaker 1

Ohh pass on.

00:29:25 Speaker 2

To buy the oven by now.

00:29:25 Speaker 1

Yeah.

00:29:26 Speaker 1

And there's nobody else who kept in touch with.

00:29:29 Speaker 2

He's the only one, and then we'll never allowed to.

00:29:35 Speaker 1

Well, I think we have a very good.

00:29:40 Speaker 2 Interview I hope. I hope you can hear this. 00:29:43 Speaker 1 Well, I think so. If they can't, they can adjust it, I think. 00:29:48 Speaker 1 But we're going to end the interview now. 00:29:52 Speaker 1 And you can put your hat on again. 00:29:56 Speaker 2 Which? 00:30:00 Speaker 2 Now I'm probably this. 00:30:04 Speaker 1 OK. 00:30:06 Speaker 1 In your words. 00:30:08 Speaker 1 Tell the American Red Cross and the Library of Congress how you feel about the interview. 00:30:18 Speaker 2 I feel OK. You enjoy. 00:30:21 Speaker 1 You know that this is for the. 00:30:22 Speaker 2 Yeah. 00:30:22 Speaker 1 Future. 00:30:24 Speaker 1 For your children, their children. 00:30:28 Speaker 1

And research it's also for research.

00:30:29 Speaker 2

You said.

00:30:34 Speaker 1

So does this make you happy that you helped? It took me 6 months to get you to say yes.

00:30:37 Speaker 2

Yeah, there's, yeah.

00:30:44

OK.

00:30:51 Speaker 2

I want to thank you for the opportunity for the future generations picture, for work to be great, generous.

00:31:02 Speaker 1

This is an addendum that Robert would like to add.

00:31:07 Speaker 1

To his recording.

00:31:11 Speaker 2

Wait, Missy.

00:31:13 Speaker 1

About your.

00:31:17 Speaker 1

20%.

00:31:21 Speaker 2

I would like to.

00:31:21 Speaker 1

Say about your 20%, your 20% disability.

00:31:27 Speaker 2

Or 20 years old, they get 20% very. There's not very much on enough for you to.

00:31:34 Speaker 2

Get.

00:31:34 Speaker 2

Out three years after I got out.

00:31:37 Speaker 2

l just get 10%.

00:31:38 Speaker 2

And I've been getting for.

00:31:42 Speaker 2

50 some years, if we can increase it to 20.

00:31:50 Speaker 1

How do you feel about that?

00:32:01 Speaker 1

Say OK, thank you.

00:32:03 Speaker 2

Yeah. Thank you.