

Transcript of Derrick Carnall Audio Clip

Oh, the air raids, they were – I never went in – I never went in a shelter, I went out in many, many air raids. My philosophy was, if it's gonna hit me, it's gonna hit me. Never would I stay indoors. When I went home on leave, I was glad to get back mind, because the air raids siren went six o'clock every evening, regular clock work and the all-clear eight o'clock in the morning. Fourteen hours of bombing, on and off. As I say I was at Streatham at that time and sometimes my father and myself would go up into the – the bedroom and look out the window and see it all, you know, whereas, my step-mother and sister would be under the table, in the dining room. So, oh yes, I've been out – I remember once I went to Streatham Astoria and I walked back from there and air raid all the time, bombs dropping around and shrapnel pinning around.