

Transcript of Joyce Wilderman Video Clip

And I was in the WAAFs, in the Women's Air Force. And before I went in to the Air Force, or in between the time from the factory to there, which was continuous. I mean, I was posted to different stations but when we had an air raid and I was at home my dad, he had a shelter built in the garden but we could not use it because being in the Thames Valley, you know, the water which seep in no matter what we did with the walls so we never actually went in it. So he got one of those, Wilson I think it was called, Wilson or something like that, and it was a steel top table one like they showed on there and they put it – it was about six/seven foot long and about four wide and it had a steel top so if the house was bombed, which we had a lot of bombing around there. And they used to come with those fire bombs and drop those things out and set the house on fire and the next morning when you woke up it was one thing after the other. We went from one kind of bombing to another kind of bombing where you had the flying bombs and things like that and it literally picked up one house and landed on top of the other so if you got under there you were protected if the house fell down. We lost the roof of the house a couple of times and a whole side of the kitchen was, you know, all out in the front yard and things like that but we had it mended. I wasn't there at the time; just my parents lived at the house because I was in the service stationed at various places.