

Synopsis and transcript

TREHERBERT 6

INFORMANTS

A: Male , 42 years old Welsh: fluent/some/slight/ <u>none</u> Mother's birth: Treherbert Father's birth: Blaenrhondda	B: Male , 37 years old Welsh: fluent/some/slight/ <u>none</u> Mother's birth: Treherbert Father's birth: Treherbert
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They see a picture of the boxer, Tommy Farr, and talk about his World Heavyweight Title fight with Joe Louis. [00.00 min - 01.20 min]

They talk about a trip up to Scotland to see a Wales-Scotland rugby match. [01.20 min – 05.20 min]

A talks about his work as a miner, and B his work in the building trade. They discuss the bleak employment situation. [05.20 min – 08.50 min]

B talks about his travels around the country in connection with his work: [08.50 min - 09.50 min]
(transcript)

B: oh (inaudible) I do travel . . . I do travel all over the country (inaudible)
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A: . yeah . .

B: Nottingham . . Birmingham . . Portsmouth . . . erm . .
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B: Swindon isn't it . erm . . . Corby . . I travel all over the country I do
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B: . . . and erm . . . like I said we do work on a house all day . . . and
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B: travel back like .. {and have free} grub two or three houses I'll

B: do but . . . very rare that I comes across now .. {we usually} do one

B: house . . . and people see us sort of thing . . and erm . they

I: . . aye

B: say oh I like that and erm .. I wouldn't mind having mine done . . .

B: and perhaps .. if we go on a new estate or something like that . . .

B: we used to get plenty of work . . . but it don't happen today . you

B: know .. you get one there . and erm .. like I tell them (inaudible)

B: you know it's hard work getting work now like . . . like I said I

B: don't know if the work was there . I just do the jobs . . . but erm . . .

B: they've got reps going about .. all over the country . . . maybe

B: that's the work for us .. and we're supposed to do the jobs like . . .

B: but erm .. when they used to pick four or five at one time .. or

B: perhaps ten at one time my boss he had . erm .. one time he

B: had nine vans on the road . . . you know (laughs) . . them days are

I: [mm]

B: gone like . he's only got one now . . and . . he's got a job to find

B: work . . . you know but erm as I say he had nine vans on the

B: road one time . and erm . . . like I said those days are

I: . . oh . . well

A: . . . oh you'll not

B: gone now like

I: . . . well let's hope it will improve

A: see much hope around here . . up here (inaudible)

B: [inaudible] . . . they're

A: . . worse . . worse I think it's going to go

B: cleaning all the valleys out [i n a u d i b l e]

They continue to discuss employment opportunities and talk about Tower Colliery (over the hill from Treherbert in another valley). Discussion then turns to the growth of crime in the Rhondda Valleys. [09.50 min – 11.20 min]

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