

Transcript of Frederick Fletcher Audio Clip

You see, people get the wrong idea of war. They watch these films in America, machine-gunning, hundreds – it's nothing like that. You could be walking along a country lane and all hell let's loose. They're hiding in camouflage, hiding in trees, start shelling them all trenches. It's – it's hard to explain. When I watch these films, I just smile because [unclear] sometimes you've been about and that and didn't see a German cos they kept diving from one tree to another and camouflaged and everything else, till you overrun them that kind of thing. I mean, a young lad asked me, I was security at airport, asked me a questions one day, he said, 'Have you ever killed any'. I said, 'Well, close combat', I don't know if I've killed them or not, 'about eight'. So he said, 'Is that all?', I said, 'If a million soldiers killed eight Germans', 'Ah', he said, 'I see what you mean'. I said, 'It's not like you see on those films, nothing like it'.