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- AT: 00:18:09 And ah, so following that, it must've been the Executive Order was signed.
- JM: 00:18:28 In February.
- AT: 00:18:29 Shortly.
- JM: 00:18:29 So then I didn't know how my Mom manage, I think about it now and think, you know, of course my sister was there, but I remember we had her piano. I remember going back, going to the piano store that we bought it, we bought it at and he was right next door to my Mom's laundry store and he bought that back and then there was a secondhand store on the other side of my Mom. I remember selling some stuff to him, but I think everything else she just left, you know, because I don't think she could handle all that. Although some of her good pieces that she brought back from Japan. She had packed and taken it to the church and to have a stored during the war. But I don't know, I think she just left it. Cause we could only carry, take what we could carry. I don't even remember that. I know my sister and I, we used to say, how did we get to the assembly center? You know, I don't know how we got there.
- AT: 00:20:05 Do you remember first hearing about it or hearing the news that you would have to leave?
- JM: 00:20:14 Yeah, I remember. And then the signs that went up on the telephone poles, but it's very vague.
- AT: 00:20:23 The instructions?
- JM: 00:20:25 Yeah. Well, the whole incident's kind of vague to me.
- AT: 00:20:32 Hmm.

JM: 00:20:34 You know, not like not remembering how we got there. It sounds crazy but know I don't remember.

AT: 00:20:47 Hmm. Were there any other like what after Pearl Harbor was attacked, what else changed in your life? Obviously the absence of your father must have been huge,

JM: 00:21:13 Yeah.

AT: 00:21:13 But in your, like in your daily life or interactions at school did anything?

JM: 00:21:18 No, I don't think there was much different in school if there was. I don't remember. You know how the kids treat each and stuff like that. I don't remember.

AT: 00:21:37 And then so when your family got the orders to leave, do you remember having to figure out what to do with all of your belongings?

JM: 00:21:48 Yeah, and as I say, I think my Mom left everything. We had no relatives here and so it was just my Mom, my sister and I, we didn't have cousins or uncles or any, anybody like that, so she did everything and depending on trends, but I'm sure they were busy with their own packing and whatever they had to do.

AT: 00:22:16 Do you know if your Mom was in touch with them, her family in Japan or was there any like?

JM: 00:22:27 She was, yeah, during that time and before the war too. Yeah. She used to write to her sister and her sister used to tell her, you know, things that are kind of suspicious. Things are great, but she felt there was gonna be a war

AT: 00:22:56 In saying that from Japan?

JM: 00:23:11 Yeah.

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