

Colleen Kitching	Interviewed by Edna Murray
1.15	Born in Nottingham. Came to Leeds aged 6 or 7. Moved to Gledhow Valley Rd from Golden Acre Park area. Father was General Manager of Blackburn Aircraft during the war. Father shot foxes in the grounds when there was a wooded area.
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2.45	Got tram to school. Walked to Dominion Ave. Went to Harehills for school – learnt typing. Then Ingledew school. Was there during the war. Cycled to school.
	Went to the Astoria. Also the Clock Cinema.
4.30	Went to town on the tram. They turned round where the car park is now. Terminus at Roundhay Park.
	Quite a few shops at Oakwood – a greengrocers, dress shops, and a bank.
6.30	Met husband Eric at ATC. Father was Officer Commanding at Towerhurst, off Oakwood Lane. Colleen and her sister made the tea. Was aged between 14 and 16. Eric was a cadet.
7.45	Played in woods in Gledhow Valley Rd, parents weren't bothered. After the Blackburn factory it became a shopping warehouse.
9.15	Astoria used to be for roller skating before it was a ballroom. Listened to bands at the Astoria.
10.00	
11.15	Colleen did some shooting in the woods at the Blackburn factory. There was a gatehouse with a security man that they went in. Dad also carried a small revolver.
11.45	During air raids went to the shelter. No bombing of factory. Tried to bomb it but failed. There was an aircraft gun Wellington Hill way. Had a soldier billeted on them. Then a mother and daughter.