Nazis on trial: Nuremberg 75 years ago

On 20 November 1945 the first of the Nuremberg trials began. Hear British prosecutor Hartley Shawcross describe his memories of Hermann Goering in this blogpost by Dr Rob Perks, Lead Curator of Oral History at the British Library.

Recording of the week: Music and singing for the Tihar Festival in Nepal

This week's selection comes from Catherine Smith, Audio Project Cataloguer for Unlocking our Sound Heritage. "20121113-Nepal-trekking-5-Pokhara-ARZH5002E" by zhushman is licensed under CC BY-NC-SA 2.0 Tihar (also called Diwali) is a five day Hindu festival celebrated in Nepal. It usually takes place in the Nepali month, Kartik (end of October to...

Recording of the week: If I were a blackbird

This week's selection comes from Yrja Thorsdottir, Digital Learning Content Developer for Unlocking Our Sound Heritage. I love singing to myself at my desk as I'm working from home but you will never catch me singing anywhere someone can hear me. Pining for karaoke parties? Absolutely not! Why? I don't...

An interview with Major James Howe

By Sarah Coggrave, Data Protection and Rights Clearance Officer, Unlocking Our Sound Heritage Project. In 1996, Les Back (Professor of Sociology at Goldsmiths, University of London), interviewed Major James Howe, MBE (19172005), a musician and bandleader who led a dance band in a German POW (prisoner of war) camp...

Recording of the week: The horrors of the long drop

This week's recording of the week comes from Emma Burman, Learning and Engagement Coordinator. Helena Street, Burnley, Lancashire, 1966-1974 © Heritage Images via Getty Images (1094419358) As a 1990's baby, I have had the pleasure of never experiencing an outdoor toilet, 'long drop' or 'privy'. I have frequented many a...