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Anyway we was counted on to the bus, but my sister went on in front of me and when I said "that's my sister" she said "I'm sorry, girls" and she dropped her hand down and we stopped there. And I was put with another lad who I didn't know from Alan, a boy named Billy Dickinson, and we sat on the grass outside the school and people came out and looked us over and we had a drink of milk from the farm which was close by this high school at Clifton. Then people was looking at all the children, you know looking at us up and down and then going off with one, two or three, trying to keep three boys, two boys, or three girls. And there was myself and Billy left and it appears at that particular time, the people that was going to have us, the farmers, wasn't in, so we didn't know what was going to happen to us and this man, the farmer said "Don't worry lads, I'll look after you", it was great and he was the man from the farm right by the school, and that was the first night we spent in his house along with all his family, he'd got 11 children, and spent the night there.