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## **Bocage Country**

The Bocage country, they called it, it was hedges. You would have hedges some quite high. You're really walking along roads and there can be people anywhere so it was a great place to defend and a lousy place to attack. And most of the way this was like this, and then you'd get a bit of open ground, but again you're just walking blind until somebody opened fire and then you took action. But it was the fact that they were initiating everything, that was the problem, and that's why everybody felt nervous because we're walking along and we'd go on until somebody shoots at us. And this is why you had to go in front because otherwise you would be pushing somebody in front and you would have to keep coming up and say "Go on, keep going". But if they saw you they had to go.