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3 hours 29 minutes??Doreen Winton, nee Hodge, was born at Loxton, South Australia and grew up on her family's wheat and sheep farm at nearby Nangari. Doreen was thwarted in her hopes for high school or vocational training, and helped her mother at home after leaving school. In 1940 the farm had to be sold and the family took on a shop in Loxton which Doreen's grandmother had established. Doreen did a dressmaking course and took orders for knitting to earn pocket money. Doreen met her future husband, who was in the army, through the pen friend column in the Chronicle. They married in 1946 and bought a market garden property at Mylor which they converted to a dairy. To help finance this development, her husband began work at a Mount Barker tannery and stayed for thirty years, with Doreen taking most of the responsibility for the herd. For three eventful years in the 1960s she also worked at the tannery. Doreen and her husband Leo had two sons and a daughter.

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