hard work, they were good to me, like a good dog, eh?

JEAN SCOTT:

I was married but had had left my husband. To be a quote "happily married woman" in a small town was the ultimate and your status was determined by your dependency on your husband.

Nobody knew about my battering, nobody knew and I didn't go home and only a family that had befriended me knew about it.

You had to help yourself. I knew pretty well what had to be done around a house and so I did what I could for whatever the market would pay, which wasn't much. Drudgery, that's the best way I can describe it, hard work from waking up in the morning to dropping into the bed at night. You had to begin with breakfast and that meant getting the kettle boiling and that meant stirring up