

Forward to Cousin Dutz's Notes.

Dutz put together these notes and gave them to me somewhere in and around 2001-2003 because I expressed an interest in knowing more about the Baltimore Lutz family. She did these for me after I put together some genealogical work for the Lutz reunion. After that I visited her in her home and we had great discussions that day.

Dutz married Bob Foster who I never came to know. I was told he was a car buff like me and owned an antique car. In putting this family website of mine together, I had the good fortune to have Dutz's notes in my file. How to present them properly was a challenge I faced. I decided not to type them up but rather to do my best to present them in their original handwritten format. In that way, Dutz's personality comes through. I believe they are legible enough for you to get the true appreciation of what life was like along the rows of houses on Conkling Street.

Dutz's niece, Mary Beth Tetkoski, (Betty's Daughter) is her dearest relative and I am sure she watches over her to this day. My recent efforts to make contact with Dutz have failed but I am still in pursuit and will keep you posted as we progress with this work. I feel she is still with us.



God Bless Bob and Dutz!

Hubert & Lynn

NOTES

(GINNY)

I ① WHEN JINNEE WAS DISCHARGED FROM SERVICE, ~~REMEMBER~~ HE STOPPED IN TO SEE US. I CAN'T REMEMBER IF IT WAS THANKSGIVING OR JUST A SUNDAY MEAL, BUT WE ASKED HIM TO STAY AND EAT WITH US. ~~WHEN~~ ^{AFTER} WE HAD SAID GRACE, I LOOKED AT HIM AND HE ^{HAD} COVERED HIS FACE WITH HIS HANDS + STARTED TO SOB. I THINK HE WAS PROBABLY RECALLING THINGS HE HAD EXPERIENCED IN SERVICE + FRIENDS HE HAD LOST. IT WAS ONLY A FEW SECONDS + HE ^{RE}GAINED HIS COMPOSURE, BUT I STILL REMEMBER IT. I ~~DO~~ THINK IT WAS THANKSGIVING.

② DAD USED TO MANAGE A SOCCER TEAM THAT PLAYED ON SUNDAYS. I THINK MOST OF THE LITZ BOYS PLAYED FOR HIM AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER. I DON'T THINK UNCOLES JOE OR JOHN PLAYED SOCCER. I'M NOT SURE IF GEORGE DID OR NOT. DAD ALSO RECEIVED A LARGE TROPHY WHEN HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE SOCCER HALL OF FAME.

③ THERE WERE 13 CHILDREN BORN TO GROSSMAN AND GROSSOP. THE THREE DECEASED WERE AUGUSTA, LAWRENCE + HENRY. AUGUSTA MAY HAVE BEEN BORN AROUND 1909 OR 1910. LAWRENCE COULD HAVE BEEN BORN AROUND 1918 OR SO. HE WAS BETWEEN MARY + JINNEE. HENRY WAS IN THE MIDDLE

OF THE OLDER GROUP, PROBABLY 1943.

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ^{CHARLIE + GRACE} MARY ^{DICK}, ALL THE WOMEN, ~~INCLUDING THE~~ IN THE FAMILY WERE OLDER THAN THE HUSBANDS EITHER BY MONTHS OR YEARS.

(ALSO, JIMMIE BIRTHDAY - 4/6/16 - HE + BETSY HAVE THE SAME BIRTHDAY. IT IS INCORRECT ON THE ^{LAST} CHRONICLE SHEET.

④ DAD WAS A CHEMIST. AS A YOUNG MAN, HE WORKED FOR THE ALMY - DEWEY CHEMICAL CO. IN CAMBRIDGE, MASS. HE + MR. ALMY EXCHANGED NOTES + CARDS AFTER DAD RETURNED TO BALD UNTIL MR. ALMY DIED IN THE ~~LATE~~ ~~EARLY~~ 50'S. DAD WORKED IN THE LAB @ AMERICAN OIL (NOW BP AMOCO) UNTIL HE BECAME TERMINAL MGR. @ ITS CURTIS BAY TERM + RETIRED FROM THERE IN 1965. ^{AFTER 40 YRS} HE WAS ALSO ^{DURING THE DEPRESSION HE GAVE QUITE A FEW} CHAIRMAN OF THE LOCAL DRAFT BD FOR 25 YRS. HE WAS AWARDED THE SELECTIVE SERV. MEDAL - WORLD WAR II. HE WAS ON THE BD. OF D.P. OF THE BLDC + LOAN ASSN AND WAS ELECTED TO 2 CONSECUTIVE TERMS AS PRES. OF THE OPTIMIST CLUB. AFTER HE RETIRED, HE ~~WAS~~ WAS ACTIVE AT SACRED HEART SCHOOL MONITORING THE STUDENTS. HE KEPT BUSY.

⑤ WHEN MY MOTHER WAS YOUNG, SHE WORKED AT GRAN'S PHARMACY (CALLED A DRUG STORE IN THOSE DAYS). JR. GRAN WAS DICK'S UNCLE - HIS MOTHER'S BROTHER. DURING THE FLU EPIDEMIC, MOM CAME DOWN WITH THE FLU. BEFORE SHE DID, SHE TOLD ABOUT FAMILIES BRINGING IN ~~THE~~

① 1898 Joe
 ② 1900 Frances
 ⑧ 1914 Charlie
 ④ 1903 Annie
 ⑤ 1904 Bette

⑥ 1907 - George
 ③ 1901 - John
 ⑦ 1911 - Willie
 ⑩ 1920 - Mary
 ⑨ 1916 - Jeanne

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II PRESCRIPTIONS IN THE MORNING ONLY TO RETURN IN THE AFTERNOON TO CANCEL THE PRESCRIPTION BECAUSE THE PATIENT HAD DIED. SO MANY DIED, THAT BURIAL HAD TO BE DELAYED BECAUSE THERE WERE SO MANY SICK + NOT ^{MANY} WELL ENOUGH TO DIG GRAVES. MOM'S FEVER WAS SO HIGH THAT SHE LOST SOME OF HER HAIR WHICH EVENTUALLY GREW BACK. I OFTEN WONDER IF ONE OF THE LUTZ CHILDREN WHO HAD DIED MIGHT ~~HAVE~~ HAVE BEEN AN INFLUENZA VICTIM. MOM NEVER SAID.

⑥ GROSSOP ALWAYS HAD A DOG + A TERRIBLE TEMPER. HE HAD A DOBERMAN NAMED 'BOOTS'. HE WAS A GENTLE DOG, BUT ONE DAY IN A PLAYFUL MOOD, EVERYTIME THAT GROSSOP WOULD TIE HIS SHOES, BOOTS WOULD PULL THE END OF THE SHOELACE + UNTIE THE SHOES. GROSSOP BECAME SO ~~ARRR~~ ANGRY, HE CHASED THE DOG WITH A BUTCHER KNIFE NEVER CAUGHT HIM OR HURT HIM. HE WAS ALWAYS SOFHEARTED WHERE CHILDREN WERE CONCERNED. IF WE HAD CANDY AT HOME HE WOULD ALWAYS SLIP A FEW PIECES IN HIS POCKET TO TAKE TO THE CHILDREN OF A

FAMILY WERE USED TO VISIT ^{WITH US. I HAVE FLOWN THAT} ~~THE~~ (EIN BISCHER FUR DIE KINDER HE WOULD SAY.)

ONE CHRISTMAS MORNING GROSSFOP CAME TO ^{OUR} ~~THE~~ HOUSE AS HE ^{ALMOST} DID EVERY DAY. IT WAS A YEAR THAT WE RECEIVED THE BETSEY-WETSY DOLLS. (GIVE THEM A LITTLE BOTTLE OF WATER + THE DOLL WOULD WET THE DIAPER) ~~I CAN REMEMBER BECAUSE~~ IT WAS CHRISTMAS, ^{MOM} HE HAD ON A NEW BROWN SUIT. BETTY + I GAVE OUR DOLLS TO HIM TO HOLD AND HE PUT ONE ON EACH KNEE. WE WANTED TO SHOW HIM HOW THEY WORKED, SO WE GAVE THEM A BOTTLE OF WATER. NATURALLY, THE WATER WENT THROUGH THE DOLLS INTO FOP'S KNEES. HE JUST LAUGHED, BUT ^{MY MOTHER} ~~HE~~ WAS REALLY ANGRY WITH US + FOP BECAME ANGRY WITH HER FOR WANTING TO PUNISH US. HE SAID THE SUIT WOULD DRY OUT.

HE ^{CROSS MOM} ~~USED TO~~ USED TO MAKE DANDELION WINE DOWNSTAIRS IN THE BASEMENT. WE ALWAYS HAD SOME @ CHRISTMAS. HOWEVER, ONE YR. MY SISTER WANDERED INTO THE BASEMENT + ATE SOME OF THE MASH. SHE BECAME SO INEBRIATED THAT SHE WOULD FALL OFF THE CHAIR. THAT SHE WAS PLACED ON. SHE WAS SO SICK THAT IT WAS ~~TOUGH~~ ^{TOUGH + GO} FOR A WHILE. GROSSFOP + GROSSMAM WERE SO UPSET WE USED TO LOVE TO PLAY IN GROSSFOP'S BASEMENT BECAUSE IT HAD A DIRT FLOOR + A COAL BIN. WE HAD SO MUCH FUN, BUT ^{WE DID} ~~DID~~ WE GET ^{VERY} DIRTY.

~~I CAN REMEMBER~~ ONE TIME SOMEONE EITHER WON OR BOUGHT A LIVE CHICKEN. IT WAS IN THE YARD, + MY MOTHER + UNCLE JOE WERE GOING TO KILL IT FOR SUNDAY DINNER, BOTH OF THEM WERE SCATTERED + NOT THE TYPE TO DO IT,

~~BUT~~ THEY STARTED TO CUT ITS THROAT,
⑨ THE CHICKEN GOT LOOSE, THE JOB HALF
DONE, THE CHICKEN^N MAKING A NOISE,
MOM + W-JOE CHASING IT AND I WAS
UNDER THE KITCHEN TABLE SCREAMING.
IT'S LAUGHABLE NOW, BUT IT WASN'T THEN.
THEY FINALLY DID FINISH THE JOB. I
DON'T THINK EITHER ONE ATE ANY.

GROSSMOM + GROSSPOP USED TO MAKE
HOMEBREW. THEY HAD THE BOTTLES, CAPPER
AND THE WORKS. ONE TIME, THEY HAD THE
BOTTLES ON SHELVES IN THE BASEMENT +
THE CAPS POPPED + THE LIQUID ^{CAME RUNNING OVER} ~~RAN OUT OF~~
~~THE TOPS.~~ THE TOP.

⑩ ON MONDAYS, MY MOTHER WOULD DO GROSSMOM
LAUNDRY, ^{AT OUR HOUSE} SO WE WOULD GO TO ~~GROSSPOP'S~~ ^{TO GROSSMOM}
FOR LUNCH. USUALLY IT WAS SUNDAY'S LEFTOVER
BUT THEY WERE REALLY GOOD, ESPECIALLY THE
CREAMED SPINACH. GROSSMOM ALSO MADE HER
OWN SCHMIERKÄSE, + SHE MADE A DELICIOUS
DISH OF PORK + HOMEMADE NOODLES THAT NO
ONE HAS THE RECIFE FOR.

ON ^{SOME} SATURDAYS, GROSSMOM WOULD MAKE HER
~~OWN~~ APPLESAUCE. I USED TO LOVE THE AROMA
OF IT ON BRISK AUTUMN + WINTER DAYS. SHE
ALSO ALWAYS HAD A KOOSTER'S (A LOCAL BAKERY
POUND CAKE BICING ON SATURDAYS. IT WAS HER
FAVORITE CAKE.

⑪ I REMEMBER TOO, BEFORE IT WAS REMOVED
THERE WAS AN^S OUTHOUSE AT THE END OF THE

GARDEN. I DON'T REMEMBER THAT IT WAS EVER
USED. THERE WAS A BATHROOM IN THE HOUSE.
GROSSMOM HAD A BEAUTIFUL GARDEN + THERE
WAS A WHITE ROSE ~~TRILLIS~~ ^{THE GARDEN} GROWING ~~ALONGSIDE~~
ALONG THE OUTHOUSE. THEY WERE SO BEAUTIFUL
I LOVED MY GRANDPARENTS + THE TIME I SPENT
WITH THEM. ~~THE~~ ^{SO} I ~~LOVED~~ ^{WOULD} WHITE ROSES WHEN I
WAS MARRIED, IN MEMORY OF THEM.

2) WHEN I MADE MY FIRST COMMUNION, POP INSISTED
HE TAKE ME TO HAVE MY PICTURE TAKEN. (THE
ONE I SENT YOU). HE + GROSSMOM GAVE ME THE
MOST BEAUTIFUL DOLL ON THAT OCCASION.
I SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME "UP HOME"
AS WE CALLED GROSSPOP'S HOUSE. POP WOULD SHOW
ME PICTURES HE HAD FROM GERMANY, TEACH ME
GERMAN, SHOW ME HOW TO READ THE GERMAN
NEWSPAPER + SPEAK TO ME IN GERMAN. SADLY,
I'VE LOST A LOT OF IT, BUT I THINK I COULD
STILL MANAGE. GROSSMOM USED TO TELL ME ABOUT
THE AREA WHERE SHE LIVED, BUT NOTHING ABOUT
HER FAMILY. SHE TOLD ME THERE WAS A LAKE
^{FRONT OF} ~~BY~~ ^{HER} HOME, WHERE SHE WOULD ^{GO} SKATE WHEN
IT FROZE. I WAS WITH HER, WHEN THE HINDENBERG
BURNED IN 1937. WE HEARD IT ANNOUNCED ON THE
RADIO + I CAN STILL SEE HOW UPSET SHE WAS
AS SHE SAID "ITZ, MEIN GOTT!" SHE HAD ^{AN ILLEGITIMATE} ~~A SON~~
^{LEG} ~~FOR MANY~~ ^{FOR MANY} YEARS BEFORE SHE DIED, BUT IT
DIDN'T KEEP HER FROM GOING TO CHURCH EVERY DAY.
ON ALL SALL'S DAY IN NOVEMBER, I WENT TO THE
CEMETERY SERVICE WITH HER. IT WAS A COLD,
GREY DAY + THERE WAS A LITTLE CHAPEL AT THE
TOP OF THE HILL, WE WALKED ~~TO THE~~ ^{TO THE} ~~CHAPEL~~ ^{CHAPEL}

PRAYING
THE ROSARY.

NOW, WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT, ~~IT~~ ^{IT} SEEMS AS
THOUGH IT WAS A SETTING IN A GOTHIC
MYSTERY. (DARK, COLD, WINDY DAY IN A CEMETERY).

(13) UNCLE JOHN NEVER FORGOT 'GRASSMOM'
ON ~~ANY~~ HOLIDAY. I REMEMBER AT EASTER, HE
WOULD GIVE HER A BASKET MADE OF CHOCOLATE
FILLED WITH CHOCOLATES. HE WOULD TAKE HER
FOR A RIDE IN THE MOUNTAINS (WHICH U. JOHN
LOVED) AND USUALLY TAKE BETTY + ME ALONG.
HE WOULD CALL IT A ROLLER COASTER WHEN
HE WOULD DRIVE ~~THE~~ UP + DOWN MOUNTAIN
RDS. + WE LOVED IT. HE LOVED CHILDREN.
AT HIS DRUGSTORE THERE WERE SHELVES + DRAWERS
BEHIND THE COUNTER. HE HAD ONE DRAWER FILLED
W/ CANDY. ANYTIME A CHILD CAME IN, HE WOULD
SEND THEM TO THE DRAWER TO GET A HANDFUL
OF CANDY. HE WOULD SEND A CAB FOR BETTY
+ ME WHEN WE WERE YOUNG + WE WOULD SPEND
THE DAY W/HIM AT THE DRUGSTORE. WE HAD A
BALL MAKING SUNDAYS AT THE SODA FOUNTAIN.
HE WAS A SHORT UNCLE, BUT A GIANT IN HIS
KINDNESS TO US + OTHERS, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN.

(14) UNCLE JOE WAS THE OLDEST AND WE
ALWAYS RESPECTED OUR AUNTS + UNCLES, BUT
I THINK WE WERE A LITTLE MORE SO W/ U. JOE.
IN THEIR YOUNGER DAYS, HE AND MY DAD USED
TO TAKE TRIPS TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS AND
SINCE HE + MY DAD WERE SPORTS FANS, EVERY
SATURDAY, THEY WOULD LISTEN TO THE BALL GAME.
AT ~~THE~~ ^{OUR} HOUSE. U. JOE LOVED PEA SOUP + THAT WAS

OUR MEAL WITH SANDWICHES ON SAT. FOR
A WHILE, I HAD SO MUCH PEA SOUP, THAT I COULDN'T
EAT IT, BUT, I DO LIKE IT NOW.
EVERY YEAR @ CHRISTMAS TIME, HE WOULD TELL
US WHICH DAY HE WAS GOING TO TAKE BETTY + ME
TO VISIT HIS FRIEND WHO HAD A LOVELY CHRISTMAS
GARDEN. WE ALWAYS LOOKED FORWARD TO IT.
~~I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER~~ - WHEN MY DAD DIED
AT OUR SUMMER HOME @ PEN MAR, I WAS DEVASTATED
AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY, I WOULD USUALLY DROP
IN AT GROSSFORD'S. DAD DIED ON SATURDAY + I DID SO
THAT SUNDAY, I STARTED TO CRY + I STILL REMEMBER
L. JOE ~~CAME~~^{CAME} UP FROM THE BASEMENT AND HE
TALKED TO ME. (BEFORE WE LEFT FOR PEN MAR
THAT WEEKEND, WE HAD THE HOUSE REMODELED
AND DECIDED TO GO TO THE MOUNTAINS + FINISH
ARRANGING THE FURNITURE WHEN WE CAME
BACK. CONSEQUENTLY, THE HOUSE WAS IN DISARRAY
L. JOE TOLD ME NOT TO WORRY THAT THE AFTER
FUNERAL ~~RECEPTION~~^{GATHERING} WOULD ~~BE HELD~~^{TAKE PLACE} THERE. I WILL NEVER FORGET THAT
⑤ I THANK ~~THERE~~^{WERE} ONLY 3 UNCLAS WE ADDRESSED
AS SUCH, MAINLY BECAUSE WE GREW UP WITH THE
REST. GEORGE LIVED WITH US FOR MANY, MANY
YEARS. HE WAS LIKE AN OLDER BROTHER. HE
WAS ALSO MISCHIEVOUS. HE USED TO GO TO
CORDEA'S - A TAVERN ACROSS THE STREET. ONE
TIME, MY MOTHER HELD A BINGO FOR CHARITY AT
OUR HOUSE. THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE COMING
INTO OUR HOUSE THAT MR. CORDEA ASKED GEORGE
WHAT WAS GOING ON. GEORGE MADE UP A
STORY THAT DAD COULDN'T PAY HIS TAXES +
WAS HOLDING A FUNDRAISER, MR. CORDEA

MY DAD DID NOT ENJOY DRIVING THE AND AN Essex Car +
I WOULD BE ENJOYED IT. DAD JUST ENJOYED THE RIDE

V WAS SO UPSET ^{THAT} ~~THAT~~ HE CAME OVER + TOLD DAD THAT HE WOULD GIVE HIM THE MONEY; HE DIDN'T HAVE TO HOLD A FUNDRAISER.

— GEORGE WAS LAUGHING THE WHOLE TIME. ANOTHER TIME, CHARLIE WAS VISITING AND GEORGE HAD LEFT FOR CHURCH. A COUPLE OF DAYS BEFORE, GEORGE KNOT ^{-MRS. GRAY'S BROTHER} HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN A HIT + RUN - NO PERSONAL INJURY - JUST CAR DAMAGE.. SOMEONE RECOGNIZED HIM COMING FROM CHURCH + CALLED THE POLICE. TO GET AWAY HE CAME ACROSS THE ROADS FROM HIS HOUSE TO OUR HOUSE. AT THE TIME, THERE WAS A SKYLIGHT IN THE BATHROOM. HE KNOCKED ON IT + CHARLIE WAS IN THE BATHROOM + OPENED IT TO HELP HIM DOWN. WE KNEW GEORGE WASN'T UP THERE BUT WE KEPT HEARING CHARLIE SAY - "TAKE IT EASY, GEO. BE CAREFUL, GEO. - NOW STEP DOWN. WE THOUGHT HE HAD LOST HIS MIND.

② WHEN CHARLIE CAME HOME FROM THE MILITARY HOSPITAL, HE STAYED WITH US. HE WAS SO KEED UP THAT HE WOULD LIGHT UP A CIGARETTE, TAKE 2 PUFFS, PUT IT IN AN ASHTRAY, WALK AWAY + LIGHT ANOTHER. I REMEMBER WHEN THE TELEGRAM CAME TO OUR HOUSE TELLING US HE WAS WOUNDED. I OPENED THE DOOR + A MESSENGER HANDED ME A TELEGRAM + HAD ME SIGN FOR IT. HE LOOKED AT ME + HIS OWN WORDS WERE - "I'M SORRY MA'AM." DURING THE WAR - TELEGRAMS TO THE FAMILIES WERE STAMPED WITH STARS. ~~THE~~ I THINK THE

CODE WAS 4 STARS - KILLED IN ACTION
2 STARS - WOUNDED 3 - MIA
CHARLIE & I HAD A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION
AT ONE TIME. WE SETTLED IT IN SHORT ORDER.
HE HAD BROKEN UP WITH ANN GUERRERO + SHE HAD
MARRIED STEVE SLOWWICH. ^{STEVE} HE WAS TRANSFERRED
TO BALTO. ITAN CALLED + INVITED ^{BETTY} + ME TO VISIT
HER. WE ENJOYED THE VISIT AND MET STEVE. HE
WAS VERY NICE + IT WAS GOOD TO SEE ANN. WE
ALWAYS LIKED HER. SHE HAD 2 LITTLE DAUGHTERS
AT THE TIME - PEARL ANN + STEFANIE FRANCES.
STEFANIE HAD NOT BEEN BAPTIZED AS YET + SHE
ASKED INFO ABOUT LOCAL CHURCHES. SHE ASKED IF
I WOULD BE THE GODMOTHER + I WAS ONLY TOO
HAPPY TO DO SO. WHEN CHARLIE FOUND OUT HE
WAS NOT TOO HAPPY, BUT WE WORKED IT OUT.
THEY LATER MOVED TO BOSTON + STEVE ^{WAS PASSING} ~~PASSED~~
THRU ON A TRIP + STOPPED AT THE HOUSE. ^{IT WAS} ~~THE~~
THE DAY OF BETTY'S WEDDING. CHARLIE MET HIM THAT
DAY. ^{CHARLIE} ~~WE~~ ~~CORRESPONDED~~ ^{REGULARLY}
DURING HIS TIME IN SERVICE, EVERY TIME HE
EARNED A STRIKE HE LOST IT. IT GOT TO BE A JOKE
^{HE NEVER KNEW HOW TO ADDRESS THE LETTER} ~~BEFORE~~
WILLIE HAD SOME SURGERY ^{BEFORE} HE + EVELYN
WERE MARRIED. HE STAYED WITH US TO RECOVERATE
HE HAD A SUCH TIME FOR A WHILE. ~~WE USED TO~~
~~VISIT~~ HE WAS STILL SINGLE WHEN HE WAS IN
SERVICE. HE + LINNIE USED TO DEBATE ^{IN A FRIENDLY WAY} WHO WAS
MORE ESSENTIAL TO THE SERVICE. THEY WERE BOTH
IN THE PACIFIC THEATER. GEORGE WAS UNDER
MARK CLARK'S COMMAND + CHARLIE WAS IN
EUROPE. JOE WAS IN NEW MEXICO. ~~REALITY~~.

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THE HOUSE WAS DIVIDED INTO 3 LMS
 ALL ALL LEAD TO THE STAIRS. WITHIN THESE
 THE LEAD TO THE REST ROOMS LEAD TO A HALL
 THERE WAS AN OTTOMAN SET OF SLIDING DOORS THAT LEAD TO

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UNTIL U. JOE CAME DOWN TO HELP.

(21) SUNDAY AFTERNOONS WERE PINOCHLE AFTERNOON DAD, MR. FISHSTEIN, POP, U. JOE, + FRIENDS OF CROSSPOP THE TABLECLOTH CAME OFF THE TABLE. CROSSPOP KEPT SCORE WITH A PIECE OF CHALK + WROTE ^{IT ON} THE TABLE ~~THAT~~ HE WOULD TOLERATE NO NONSENSE ^{DURING} THOSE GAMES.

(22) THE BREAD AT THE DINNER TABLE WAS ALWAYS A LARGE ROUND LOAF OF KUMMEL BREAD. BEFORE CROSSPOP WOULD SLICE IT, HE ALWAYS MADE A SIGN OF THE CROSS ^{UNSLICED} ~~ON THE BOTTOM~~ - IN DOING SO HE HELD THE BREAD AGAINST HIS STOMACH - WE ~~ALL~~ ^{W. WOULD} ~~WERE~~ HOLD OUR BREATH, AFRAID HE WOULD CUT HIS STOMACH. CROSSPOP WOULD NEVER TOLERATE ANY DISTASTEFUL ^{CONVERSATION'S} ~~TALK~~ AT THE TABLE.

(23) THERE WAS A CORRUGATED METAL GARAGE ACROSS THE ALLEY FROM CROSSPOP'S HOUSE. ONE DAY IN A FIT OF TEMPER - I CAN'T REMEMBER WHAT MADE HIM ANGRY - CROSSPOP THREW A CRUTCH. IT SAILED THE LENGTH OF THE YD., ACROSS THE ALLEY + DENTED THE GARAGE. THE DENT WAS THERE AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER + MIGHT STILL BE IF THE GARAGE IS STILL STANDING.

(24) U. JOE WORKED AT THE AMERICAN BREWERY. THAT BLDG. IS STILL STANDING ALTHOUGH THE BREWERY IS NOT OPERATING. IN FRONT OF THE BLDG. IS A STATUE OF GAMBRINUS. U. JOE TOOK BETTY + ME TO SEE THE BREWERY + THE STATUE. IT IS ~~AN~~ AN IMPRESSIVE STATUE.

(25) WHEN WE WERE YOUNG, WE USED TO VISIT U. GEORGE + FLINT BARBARA WESTERMAN ON THEIR FARM. THEY HAD AN OLD FARMHOUSE WHICH LATER BURNED + WAS REPLACED BY A BRICK HOUSE. I LOVED THE OLD FARMHOUSE - ~~THE FARM~~ WAS LOCATED OUT BELAIR RD. THERE

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WAS A MAN WHO WORKED FOR DAD WHO HAD A NEIGHBORING FARM. HE KNEW U. GEO. + A. BARD VERY WELL. THE WESTERMANS HAD 1 SON, JOSEPH. HE MARRIED A GIRL NAMED FRANCES. I REMEMBER SHE WAS VERY SWEET, ^{PRETTY +} FRIENDLY. A. BARD'S MAIDEN NAME WAS CRITE (NOT SURE OF THE SPELLING). HER MOTHER LIVED WITH THEM. ^{U. GEO. + A. BARD} AT ONE TIME ~~IT WAS~~ ^{SERIOUSLY.} U. GEO. WAS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING + WAS HURT.

(26) WHEN THE UNCLAS WERE YOUNG — EXCEPT FOR 2 — THEY ALL ^{WERE} ~~HAD~~ ^{REDHEADS.} SOMEONE COMPLAINED TO GROSSMOM THAT HER SON ^{REDHEAD} HAD DONE SOMETHING WRONG. GROSSMOM CALLED THEM OUT + ASKED HER TO IDENTIFY WHICH ONE SHE WAS REALLY SURPRISED

(27) I WAS 14 WHEN GROSSMOM DIED. I REMEMBER WHEN SHE WAS TAKEN SICK AND THE DECISION WAS MADE THAT SHE HAD TO GO TO THE HOSPITAL SHE DID NOT WANT TO GO AND SAID IF SHE WENT SHE WOULD NEVER COME HOME AGAIN. SHE WAS RIGHT. SHE DIDN'T COME HOME. SHE WAS BURIED THE WEEK BEFORE EASTER.

(28) GROSSPOP WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE BIRTH OF BETTY'S FIRST SON IN APRIL 1953. HE EVEN WANTED TO BABYSIT. LEE WAS BORN APRIL 10, 1953 + POP DIED JAN 10, 1953; — EXACTLY 3 MOS. BEFORE.

(29) DURING THE WAR WHEN CERTAIN ARTICLES WERE RATIONED OR SCARCE, GROSSPOP WOULD STAND IN LINE TO GET CIGARETTES + OTHER THINGS FOR THE FAMILY. HE KEPT TRACK OF WHAT HE BOUGHT + FOR WHOM SO HE COULD BE REIMBURSED. HE KEPT A RECORD IN WHAT HE CALLED HIS "NEDITZ BUCH."

(30) GROSSPOP WAS ALWAYS ^{VERY FUSSY} PARTICULAR ABOUT HIS APPEARANCE. THERE USED TO BE A MIRROR IN ~~THE CORNER~~ ^{THE CORNER}

OF THE RITZ - HE WOULD CHECK HIS HAIR
TO MAKE SURE IT WAS COMBED CORRECTLY. THIS WAS
IN THE DAYS BEFORE THE GOATEE + MUSTACHE. HE USED
TO COMB HIS HAIR WITH A SIDE PART + FORM LITTLE
~~FLAT~~ CURLS WITH THE ~~HAIR~~ ^{STRANDS} OPPOSITE THE PART.

(OFF HAND, I DON'T REMEMBER WHAT CLUB HELD
A PARTY, BUT I REMEMBER CHARLIE, JINNEE, SERGE
ALL WENT TO IT. IT WAS HELD AT A LOCAL HALL + DURING
THE COURSE OF THE EVENING AN ARGUMENT ~~BROKE OUT~~
THAT INVOLVED THEIR FRIENDS + ANOTHER GROUP OF
FELLOWS. AS TIME PASSED IT BECAME MORE HEATED
+ LED TO FISTICUFFS. THE NEXT DAY THEY ALL SHOWED
EVIDENCE OF THE ENCOUNTER, BUT HAPPY THAT THEIR
SIDE HAD WON. I THINK CHARLIE MIGHT HAVE BEEN
ON A VISIT TO BALD. + WENT ALONG TO THE PARTY

(JINNEE ALWAYS HAD A SOFT SPOT IN HIS
HEART FOR CHILDREN. I THINK ALL OF MY UNCLE'S DID
BECAUSE THEY WERE VERY GOOD TO BETTY + ME

~~GETTING BACK TO~~ THERE WAS A FAMILY IN THE
NEIGHBORHOOD WITH A LARGE NUMBER OF LITTLE
ONES - AS MOST OF THE OTHER FAMILIES DID.

HOWEVER, 2 OF THE YOUNGEST OF THIS FAMILY
TOOK A GREAT LIKING TO JINNEE + THEY USED TO
LOOK ^{OUT} FOR HIM TO PASS THEIR HOUSE. HE ALWAYS
SEEMED TO ~~BE~~ HAVE SOME CANDY + A FEW PENNIES
FOR THEM. THEY WERE AS FOND OF HIM AS HE WAS
OF THEM.

(I CAN REMEMBER WHEN GRASSMOM WOULD
CALL ONE OF HER ^{BOYS} ~~SONS~~ SISTER SOMETIMES CALLED
THEM ~~BY~~ BY ONE OF THE OTHER ^{BY} NAME. I
GUESS IT COULD BE CONFUSING. WHENEVER
SHE DISCIPLINED THEM, IT WAS HILARIOUS TO

VIII SEE. GROSSMOM WAS VERY SHORT + SHE WOULD CALL ~~ON~~ THE ONE TO BE DISCIPLINED TO STAND IN FRONT OF HER. THEY WERE ALWAYS ~~SHORTER~~ ^{TALLER} THAN SHE + USUALLY A HEAD TALLER. SHE WOULD LOOK UP AT THE OFFENDING ONE + SHAKE HER FINGER AT HIM - ~~THEY~~ THE USUAL REPLY WAS "SORRY, MOM" - "YES, MOM." I NEVER REMEMBER ANY OF THEM BEING DISRESPECTFUL TO HER OR TO GROSSDOP. IF THEY ~~HAD~~ ^{WERE} ~~HAD~~ BEEN INSURE I WOULD HAVE TAKEN CARE OF THEM.

IN THE EVENING, GROSSMOM HAD A FAVORITE CHAIR IN THE CORNER OF THE KITCHEN WHERE SHE WOULD SIT & RELAX BEFORE GOING TO BED. SHE LIKED A LITTLE SLOE GIN (ABOUT A ^{TEASPOON} ~~FINGER~~) + ALWAYS PUT IT INTO A COFFEE CUP. THAT WAS IT, JUST A ^{SM. AMT.} ~~LITTLE~~. SHE WOULD SIP A LITTLE AT A TIME. SHE USED THE COFFEE CUP, BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T WANT US TO KNOW. ~~ALMOST EVERY TIME,~~

34 JIMMY WOULD COME IN & START TO TEASE HER. HE WOULD LOOK INTO THE COFFEE CUP & LOOK AT HER + SAY "DRINKING AGAIN MOM?" SHE WOULD GET SO AGGRAVATED ~~WITH IT.~~ ~~SAY TO~~ HE WOULD LAUGH & SHE HAD TO LAUGH TOO.

35 GROSSDOP'S ~~OR~~ PRONUNCIATION OF ENGLISH WAS BETTER THAN GROSSMOM'S. BUT BETTY + I NEVER REALLY NOTICED OR HAD ANY TROUBLE UNDERSTANDING HER. WE WOULD GO TO MOVIES WITH THEM QUITE OFTEN. THERE WERE MANY SUITABLE MOVIES FOR CHILDREN THEN.

SHIRLEY TEMPLE WAS NO. 1 AT THE BOX OFFICE.
& WE WERE GOING TO SEE ONE OF HER MOVIES.
WE MET ~~FRIEND~~^{NEIGHBOR} WHO ASKED WHERE WE WERE
GOING & GRESSMOM ANSWERED BY SAYING -
"WE GO SEE CHARLEY DIMPAL." I'M SURE THE
FRIEND ~~WOULDN'T~~ UNDERSTAND, BUT WE DID.

(35) MOM & DAD USED TO TRAVEL ~~BY~~ A LOT
WHEN BETTY & I WERE YOUNG. WE USED TO
STAY W/GRM & GAP. BEFORE SHE LEFT, ~~MOM~~^{MOTHER}
WOULD TELL GRM WHAT WE WERE ALLOWED TO DO
WHAT WE WEREN'T & OUR BEDTIME. AFTER
WE WERE SURE THEY WERE WELL ON THEIR WAY,
WE ASKED IF WE COULD PLAY OUTSIDE ~~LONGER~~
& GO TO BED LATER THAN WE USUALLY DID.
OF COURSE, GRM & GP NEVER SAID 'NO'. WE
ALWAYS HAD A GREAT TIME, ~~BUT~~ WE
~~ENTRED~~^{ENTRED} INTO A
~~HAD~~ A LITTLE CONSPIRACY WITH THEM.
AND MOM & DAD NEVER KNEW. AS OUR
GRPRTS INSTRUCTED US - "SAGT NIGHTS"

(36) EVERY YEAR THE CIRCUS WOULD SET
UP ^{IN A FIELD} NOT FAR FROM G & G. - NEAR EDISON HWY.
I DON'T THINK WE EVER MISSED A YEAR
SEEING THE CIRCUS. ONE OF THE UNCLE'S
WOULD TAKE US. TO THIS DAY, EVERYTIME
I SEE COTTON CANDY I THINK OF THOSE DAYS.

(37) WE GREW UP AT A GREAT TIME
NEIGHBORS, KNEW NEIGHBORS, DOORS WERE
NEVER LOCKED, NO TELEVISION - JUST YOUR
IMAGINATION LISTENING TO MYSTERIES ON
THE RADIO - THE SHADOW, LIGHTS OUT &
OTHERS. WE NEVER LACKED FOR ANYTHING.

FRUGALITY WAS THE WATCHWORD. FOOD WAS NEVER WASTED + MEALS WERE ALWAYS NOURISHING. ICE WAS DELIVERED BY THE ICEMAN (WE HAD A REFRIGERATOR, BECAUSE ^{OUR} UNCLE MAX WAS IN THE APPLIANCE BUSINESS.) MILK WAS DELIVERED + ON EXTREMELY COLD DAYS IT WOULD FREEZE + THE CARDBOARD CAP ON THE BOTTLE WOULD POP. IF YOU WANTED TO MAKE WHIPPED CREAM - JUST POUR THE CREAM FROM THE TOP OF THE BOTTLE. - IT ROSE TO THE TOP. THE WINTERS SEEMED COLDER + I CAN REMEMBER CM HANGING ~~IN~~ ^{UP} A CHICKEN OR A TURKEY FROM A HOOK THAT ITIED THE WASH LINES AT THE UPSTAIRS BACK WINDOW ^{TO KEEP IT COLD} + THE ICE BOX WAS NOT ~~THE~~ THAT LARGE. THE WASH LINES WERE THREADED THRU A PULLEY THAT WAS SUSPENDED FROM A HOOK ON THE OUTSIDE WINDOWSILL THERE WAS A POST AT THE END OF THE GARDEN + THE LINES EXTENDED DOWN THERE. LAUNDRY WAS SECURED BY WOODEN CLOTHES PINS + THE WASH LINE WAS MOVED THRU THE PULLEY + THE CLOTHES MOVED AWAY + ANOTHER PIECE OF LAUNDRY WAS ATTACHED. THE PROC. WAS REPEATED UNTIL ALL ^{OF} THE LINE WAS FILLED WITH CLOTHES. WHEN THE, DRIED THE PROC WAS REVERSED. ON ~~RAIN~~ ^{COLD} DAYS THE LAUNDRY WOULD FREEZE STIFF.

THERE WERE ONLY SMALL, USUALLY FAMILY STORES + MAYBE AN 'A + P' OR TWO. IF YOU WANTED A ROAST FOR SUNDAY, YOU WOULD ORDER IT FROM THE BUTCHER GNTINE.

ORDER EARLY DURING HOLIDAYS, ALTHOUGH IF
~~SOMETHING~~ SOME OTHER STAPLE WAS NEEDED IN AN
EMERGENCY THE CROGER LIVED BEHIND THE
STORE + A KNOCK AT ~~THE~~ DOOR WOULD USUALLY
GET IT FOR YOU. ~~MOST~~ OF THE STORES WERE
CLOSED ON SUNDAYS, BUT OPEN THE REST OF

THE WK 6 AM - 7 AM HUSBAND, WIFE + FAMILY
USUALLY WORKED IN THE STORE, THEY HAD A
SL BOOK WITH THE FAMILY NAME + AFTER THEY TOLD
YOUR PURCHASES THE AMT WAS ENTERED + YOU GAVE
THEM A LITTLE NOTE BK YOU CARRIED WITH YOU +
THEY ENTERED THE AMT IN THAT ALSO. IF YOU
FORGOT YOUR BK, THEY WOULD WRITE IT ON A
PIECE OF BUTCHER PAPER TO TAKE HOME.
REASON FOR THIS MOST FAMILIES BUDGETED
~~PAYCHECK OR ENVELOPE TO END~~ PAYDAY TO
PAYDAY. ON FRI THE TAB AT THE GROC
WAS ~~ADDED~~ ADDED WP + PD + A NEW WK BEGAN
I REMEMBER GOING TO THE STORE FOR GM
+ BUYING ROLLS + ~~18¢~~ WORTH OF BOLOGNA.
THE ROLLS WERE ABOUT 3¢. THERE WEREN'T
MANY PREPACKED CAKES OR COOKIES. THE BAKER
WOULD DELIVER A TRAY OF CAKES + DOUGHNUTS +
TRAYS OF ROLLS + BREAD ^{EARLY IN AM}. YOU WOULD POINT TO
YR SELECTION + IT WOULD BE PLACED IN A
BAG BY THE CROGER. SAUSAGE WOULD BE
DELIVERED IN ROUND ^{IN A CONTAINER} CANS + PINCHED OFF
BY THE LB. OR LESS. THE CANS THEY CAME IN
WERE SOUGHT AFTER BECAUSE THEY WERE
GREAT CONTAINERS FOR CAKE OR CHRIST
COOKIES.

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THERE WERE NO FUNERAL PARLORS ^{THAT}
I CAN REMEMBER. MOST PEOPLE WERE BURIED FOR THEIR HOMES.
~~NOT HERE AND CATHOLICIZED AS THEY ARE~~
~~ST. W. H. G. WAS BURIED FROM WAS BUT BURIED~~
FROM ~~THE~~ HER HOME - THE VIEWING WAS IN THE
PARLOR + A CROSS WAS HUNG ON THE DOOR

X - NEIGHBORS BROUGHT FOOD TO THE HOUSE.
THE ~~JEWISH~~ DRY CLEANER MR. GOLDBERG,
(37) OFFERED THE USE OF HIS CAR. CARS WERE
NOT AS NUMEROUS AS THEY ARE TODAY.

G was VERY FRIENDLY WITH ALL OF THE
JEWISH MERCHANTS. ALMOST ALL WERE FROM
GERMANY & THEY CONVERSED IN GERMAN. IT
WAS JUST AS THOUGH THEY HAD A COMMON
BOND - LANGUAGE & ^{NATIVE} COUNTRY. 'A + F' MGR. WAS
MR. GOTTSALK, JEWELER WAS MR. SIDLMAN
MR. ~~KAPLAN~~ SOLD SHOES. IN THOSE ^{DAYS} THERE
WEREN'T CIG CARS. ~~SOME~~ SOME MERCHANTS
WENT DOOR TO DOOR WITH BOXES OF CLOTHING
TO SELL. IF YOU DIDN'T LIKE THE SELECTION,
YOU WOULD TELL THEM WHAT YOU NEEDED OR
WANTED. MR. HARRIS USED TO COME TO THE
HOUSES TO SELL CLOTHING. IF CIG ^{BOUGHT} ~~WANTED~~
SOMETHING & DIDN'T HAVE THE MONEY, SHE
COULD PAY A WKLY AMT UNTIL IT WAS PD FOR
MOST OF THE MERCHANTS WERE LIKE FRIENDS
WHO STOPPED FOR A VISIT.

~~I CAN'T REMEMBER~~ THE BAKER WAS A
FRIEND, & HE HAD A SMALL TRK & WOULD DELIVER
FRESH BAKED GOODS 2-3 A WK. ~~EACH~~ ^{DELIVERY} YOU WOULD
PLACE AN ORDER FOR THE NEXT DEL. WHEN A
DEL. WAS MADE.

(38) CHURCH ACTIVITIES WERE IMPORTANT
BECAUSE OF THE # OF GERMAN IMMIGRANTS.
SOME MASSES WERE SAID IN GERMAN. THERE WAS
MORNING MASS & EVENING MASS EVERYDAY.
THERE WERE MAY PROCESSIONS WHERE WE
CARRIED BASKETS OF FRESH FLOWERS ^{DOWN} ~~THE~~ ^{THE} CHURCH ^{RISE} ~~FOR~~ ^{THE} ~~PLAZA~~

34) GROSSMOM ALWAYS WORE HER HAIR, PULLED
BACK - STYLED INTO A BUN ^{AT THE} BACK. I
DON'T EVER RECALL HER HAIR ANY OTHER WAY. ^{SHE ALWAYS WORE AN APRON}
~~REMEMBER~~ A STORY ABOUT GEORGE.

10) THE LOVER, THE OCEAN. + WENT THERE IN THE
SUMMER, WE WERE ALL INVITED TO VISIT THE
APT. HE + ~~THE WIFE~~ ^{FRIENDS} HAD RENTED. I WENT DOWN
FOR A WK + AS LUCK WOULD HAVE IT A HURRICANE
WAS SCHEDULED TO HIT THERE, GEORGE DECIDED
IT WAS AN OCCAS TO PARTY. WE WERE PREPARED
OIL LAMPS + ALL, GEORGE PARTIED SO MUCH, HE
FELL ASLEEP BEFORE THE STORM + SLEPT RIGHT
THRU IT. THE DAY AFTER WAS BEAUTIFUL
DISTRIBUTE THE DAMAGE + GEORGE COULDN'T
UNDERSTAND WHAT THE FUSS WAS ABOUT.
ANOTHER TIME, WE WENT TO THE BEACH EARLY
IN THE MORNING. HE TOLD ME NOT TO LET
HIM LIE IN THE SUN TOO LONG, BOTH OF US
SUNBURNED EASILY. I WAS SITTING ON THE
BEACH + STRUCK UP A CONVERSATION WITH A
FELLOW FROM N OF MD. WE DECIDED TO WALK
ALONG THE BEACH + I FORGOT ABOUT GEORGE
UNTIL I CAME BACK, HE WAS LOBSTER RED
HE WAS NOT HAPPY WITH ME. LATER ON
^{WHEN HE DIDN'T HURT AS MUCH}
WE LAUGHED ABOUT IT.

11) GROSS FRONT DOOR WAS NEVER LOCKED, ^{NEVER} SO
NO MATTER WHAT TIME ANYONE CAME HOME THEY
COULD GET IN. ONE NIGHT GED CAME HOME
LATE. - ~~NEVER~~ HAD COME HOME BEFORE THAT.
HAD LOCKED THE DOOR UNABLE TO GET IN, HE
DECIDED TO CLIMB THRU THE FRONT WINDOW.

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(41) *revised*
JUST AS HE WAS HALF-WAY THRU THE WINDOW, THE POLICEMAN ~~ON~~ WALKING HIS BEAT, SPOTTED HIM & GRABBED HIM. HE HAD A LOT OF EXPLAINING TO DO. THIS WAS ~~THIS EVENING~~ ~~DA~~ BACK WHEN POLICEMAN WERE KNOWN BY NAME IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS. IN FACT, ONE OF THE BEAT POLICEMAN USED TO DRESS AS SANTA ON CHRISTMAS EVE & VISIT THE HOUSES ON HIS BEAT WITH CITIZENS. WHEN WE WERE YOUNG, WE NEVER SUSPECTED WHO HE WAS.

(42)
WHEN I WAS YOUNG, POP TOOK ME TO A CONCERT OF THE GERMAN SINGING SOCIETY. I FELT SO GROWNUP - ALL DRESSED UP & OUT WITH MY GRANDFATHER. POP LOVED MAGNOLIAS. HE WOULD WALK TO THE COUNTRY WHEN THEY WERE IN BLOOM & BRING BOUQUETS OF THEM HOME TO US. I THINK ABOUT HIM WHEN I SEE THE MAGNOLIA TREES IN BLOOM. MY DAD ALWAYS TOLD ME ABOUT GP TAKING HIM "MAYING". HE & MOM HAD ONLY BEEN MARRIED A MONTH WHEN GP CAME TO TAKE HIM OUT. MY DAD WAS A WALKER, BUT I THINK GP WORE HIM OUT - WALKING TO THE COUNTRY TO GET FLOWERS. GP ALSO TOOK ME TO HADSSNERS - MR. IT & POP WOULD TALK & TALK.

Ps. I WAS FLOWER GIRL AT A. ANNE & L. ED WEDDING