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Transcript of interview with Henry M.

Session One

Side I Channel I

May 24th 1970 Clinical Research Center. 3.00 pm. M.I.T.

00.00

WM (William Marslen-Wilson): Are you familiar with,... do you know anything about these machines ?

HM Tape-recorder

WM That's right

HM That's what I thought of right off. Molaison' s the name.

HLT So you did introduce yourself to the machine by saying that your name is Molaison. And the first name?

HM Henry Molaison

- HLT Henry Molaison. and where do you live?
- HM Number 63 Crescent Drive East Hartford.
- HLT And where are we now?

- HM I think of Toronto Canada
- HLT You think of Toronto Canada?
- HM Right off.
- HLT Right off. You think you're right?
- HM There I have an argument with myself, but I think of Canada right off.
- HLT What makes you think of Canada?
- HM Well, partially because uh you
- 01.00
- HLT Because of me?

- HM yeah uh believe it is uh ... French way .. uh ... French accent of English.
- HLT I see, yes, yes, that's what makes you think we are in Canada, I see. Have you been in Canada before?
- HM I thought of yes right off, but it is a guess.
- HLT I see.
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- HM I was'nt ... I was'nt able be sure not being sure .. uh .. I thought yes right off.
- HLT Now look, I'm Dr Teuber, this is William Marslen-Wilson, and he is going to ask some of these things that he has on this sheet, and we just talk now to introduce ourselves. You know, so that we have on the tape who's

here. And there's also James Lackner, sitting in the background sort of, and watching over us. OK., so that makes four of us; yourself Henry Molaison, William Marslen-Wilson, and myself, H-L Teuber, right? All in one room.

- HM Oh yes, 4 of us.
- HLT 4 of us
- HM I say 4. and I try to hold thumb down..... make sure its 4...
- HLT OK Henry. Now it's all yours William.
- WW The questions I'm going to ask you are going to be about your early

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childhood. The things that you remember when you were in school and before that.

HM ... uh ... yes.

WW In fact, some time, 20 or 30 years. Now, the first thing I want to ask you. I want you to try to go back as far as you can, and try to tell me what you think is the very first thing you remember, your earliest memory..... have you ever thought about that?

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HM Yes. I thought of East Hartford Conneticut,.... living in with

my my grandmother had died and my mother and father had moved in their house and my grandfather also

WW Yes

HM uh ... if.... I'm trying to having an argument with myself right

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there on the porch wonder(?) if it was a glassed in porch at the house, one of us slept. It was my grandfather or me I don't remember which.

- WW You ... you were born in E.Hartford ?
- HM No, I was born in Manchester, Connecticut.
- WW And ... then your parents lived in Manchester when you were born, and then they moved, is that right ?
- HM They moved from Manchester, yes, to E.Hartford,... and from E.Hartford.

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.. uhwas to to Hartford.

- WW Do you remember the house in Manchester where you were born, where your parents were living when you were born?
- HM Yes, in a way I should because I believe we moved right back to that place afterwards.
- WW So you lived in Manchester for a while when you were very young?
- HM That was in South Manchester
- WW In South Manchester ?
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- HM Well yes; North Manchester ... younger. And then second grade ...
 .. to second grade I know, I went up to it and partially finished it too ..
 .. was living in South Manchester. From there moved into uh
 Hartford
- WW Yes...
- HM ...Conneticut, and lived onwhen I was going to before uh ...
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I went to a private kindergarten. I was living on Burnside Avenue.

WW	In Manchester	?
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- HM In E.Hartford. And from there while I was going to that private kindergarten, I was living on Burnside Avenue.
- WW In E.Hartford?
- HM In E. Hartford.
- WW And how old were you then, do you think ? When you were in the kindergarten in E.Hartford.
- HM Right off the supposition anddrew(??) right off to 7 and I

thought I was younger, because it was a private kindergarten I went to.

- WW Probably would have been a bit younger
- HM Yes
- WW Do you remember anything about the kindergarten, what it looked like?
- HM .. uh no But ... I
- WW But you do remember going there ?
- HM I remember going there, and of course the house that I lived in afterwards...

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... not afterwards ... but moved from uh moved in from

E.Hartford into Hartford and wait a minute .. wait a minute. From E.Hartford into

- HLT It's hard to keep track !
- HM Manchester and then from Manchester into East .. into Hartford, and from Hartford ... uh lived in three places there.
- WW In Manchester ?
- HM Hartford
- WW In Hartford?
- HM In Hartford. One was on Maple Avenue, 24 Maple Avenue, it was the first

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place and moved from there to Main street, 97 Main street because it was over the South Green Furniture Company.

WW How old were you then, do you think ? Which grade were you in, or were you

still in Kindergarten ?

HM I was not in Kindergarten, I was going to parochial school then, which and that was on Main street, just up a ways and I was going to say

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second grade and it was'nt, because I it was third or fourth grade.

- WW When you were living in ... Maple Avenue ?
- HM On Main street.

WW Main street.

HM On Maple Avenue when I started sch uh restarted school after moving in from Manchester. I think I went 2 or 3 weeks in that ... parochial

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school St Peters .. uh... in the second grade, that was all. Then... from there of course we moved from .. uh .. Main uh Main street, and from Main street moved down to Franklin Avenue.

WW You've moved so many times, I'm having difficulty working it all out. Shall we try and write this down to get it straight Now, you were born in,

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... in Manchester ?

- HM In Manchester Connecticut.
- WW What year was that ?
- HM 1926
- WW 1926. Do you remember the date?

HM Febuary 26th.

- WW And....do you remember the address of the place in Manchester where your parents lived when you were born?
- HM No, I don't remember the place where I was .. where my parents were living when I was born
- WW Do you know how long your parents lived there, in the house in Manchester

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where you were born after you were born ?

HM No I don't.

WW	It might have been 2 or 3 years, or less that that ?
HM	Three years
WW	Three years. So you moved from Manchester when you were three years old,
	do you think ?
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HM	No, I was older than that because from there yes, we did move.
	Moved to Burnside Avenue in E.Hartford.
WW	This was the first house you moved to after you were born, that you
	remember ?
HM	The first house that yes.
WW	And when you were in Burnside Ave you were in Kindergarten ?
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HM	And moved from that address too, down to another place on Burnside
	Avenue and I started kindergarten there
WW	Oh, I see
HM	while I was living there because I went to a private kindergarten down the street
	down Burnside Avenue
WW	So you lived in two houses in Burnside Avenue; Burnside Avenue in E.Hartford ?
HM	Three
10.00	
WW	Three !? You moved three times in the same avenue ? It's very complicated
HM	Oh it is well uh it uh from uh uh moving uh
	Burnside Burnside the small house the cottagecalled(??) moved into
	Hartford.
WW	I think I'm getting confused.
HM	So am I too
10.30	
WW	Do you remember what this cottage looked like ?
HM	Well, I think of a naturally a single house with uh
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there was no hedge in front there was a garage in back that we...my grandfather used because we were'nt using it then then when we got a car ... and my ... we used it.... my grandfather could'nt use it. It was a single garage.

- WW He had to park his car on the street ?
- HM He had to park his car ... uh .. where he lived on the street.
- WW He also lived?
- HM He did'nt live he lived in E.Hartford, but ... uh ... was'nt on the street he parked it.

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- WW He did'nt live on Burnside Avenue?
- HM He did'nt live on Burnside Avenue.
- WW Do you remember which street he lived on ?

HM uh

- WW It does'nt matter but he died ... when did he die, your grandfather ?
- HM ... Gee I think I was about three
- HLT You were about three when he died, you think ?
- HM I think I was about three
- HLT He was on your mother's side, or on your dad's side?

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HM Just as ... uh I said that, I corrected myself because ... well when I first knew him ... I ... think I was about uh afterwards we moved back to that home that he was in because grandmother had died and so he would have a place to live too, in the same house. We moved into it and he stayed there until he died,..... and we stayed

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there after he died too we moved from there uh I think of Manchester right off again from Manchester, of course, we moved in ... uh ... to Hartford on Maple Avenue because

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from there we moved to another on Main street.

- HLT In ...?
- HM Hartford

HLT	In Hartford
WW	Maple Avenue was in E.Hartford?
HM	No, in Hartford.
WW	I see
HM	And from that place on Main street in Hartford we moved to another place down
	Franklin Avenue in Hartford
WW	do you remember
13.30	
HM	From there we moved to South Coventry Conneticut and uh and uh
WW	You moved a lot
HM	Yes uh went to light housekeeping because we moved from uh
	light housekeeping was in on Congress St.
WW	You where did you go from South Coventry ? You went ?
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HM	to light housekeeping the furniture was stored and we had and
	I think of the top floor of uh on Congress street.
HLT	It was a place where you did?
HM	I took banjo lessons before that when I lived on Franklin Avenue.
HLT	I see, banjo lessons, yes
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HM	Because I had when I when I went where we lived I had to go by
	the place, by the doorway that I had originally gone into to take the banjo lessons.
WW	When you lived on Congress street ?
HM	When I lived on Congress street. But when I took banjo lessons, I was living on Franklin
	Avenue in Hartford.
WW	Right but is Congress St in Hartford?
HM	Yes it's in Hartford.
WW	How old were you when you were living on Congress street ?
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HM	I think of I thought of 15 right off.
HLT	Already 15 years old ?

HM	Yes
WW	How long do you think you lived on Congress St.?
HM	uh I think of 18 months.
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WW	where did you go after Congress st. then ?
HM	That was furnished rooms, and from there we went to Burnside Avenue in E.Hartford
WW	Burnside Avenue again, this is when you're 16this is the third house I see, right.
HM	uh that would be the fourth house, fifth house.
WW	On Burnside Avenue ? no, sorry
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HM	No, sorry but I mean the fifth house that I've moved too.
WW	Well, I think we've got more than that. We've got a lot of houses Anyway
HM	uhI(?) was(?) living in one house I lived twice
WW	At different times ?
HM	Different times.
WW	Which was that house ?
16.30	
HM	That was on Burnside avenue uh uh 19 31
WW	That was the first time you lived in that house ?
HM	well that's well, wait a minutethat was'nt the first time we lived in that
	house it was'nt the first time, the only time
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HLT	We're getting all confused; you like smoking, since they all are ? I think that's sort of a
	house rule, you know having trouble there maybe it's empty ?
HM	No, there's one in there, see you see, I have matches in
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	there as(?) long(?) as(?) you have one left, see makes sure there's
	matches, to go with the cigarettes
HLT	I'm the only one who does'nt smoke, of the 4 of us, right.
WW	Very wise
HM	Yes uh sometimes I wonder how I really got started on it.

HLT Yes, so do I. Henry, shall we go back to one thing I don't want to distract us from the question of those many different addresses where you

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lived and the many moves your family made, but in the very beginning Mr. Marslen-Wilson asked you what's the very, very earliest memory you you have, the first thing you can remember. The earliest memory you have from your own childhood. And that led us into all those addresses, you know, moves... but, could you once more describe a little your earliest memory, very early in your life, when you were very small, the very first

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thing.

- HM I think of Burnside avenue right off and ... uh there I'm thinking of a bungalow.
- HLT A bungalow ? That's your first memory ?
- HM And it is 'nt the first it's Burnside avenue because the house that I lived in before that was just up the street from it

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...... moved from there down to it but be' where I mo I'd moved into that other first I don't remember where from.

HLT Yes, well., that's allright. But Is there some particular thing that you can dredge up try to go back to the very earliest things that you can recall.

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- WW Do ... do you remember anything particular happening, like somebody being ill, or you doing something, or something like that?
- HM Well, I can think of my grandfather and walking with him.
- HLT Walking with your grandfather ? I see.
- HM I was very very small.
- HLT But you were already walking?
- HM Yes I was because I was'nt going to school then.

- HLT and he died when you were how old ?roughly.
- HM Roughly I think of 6 right off.

HLT	6 ? Oh, I see So you were
HM	He was living in the same house that we were living in
HLT	Then he was
HM	Bungalow because he was sleeping on the front porch.
HLT	He was sleeping on the front porch, I see.
HM	Glassed in
HLT	Yes, I see.
HM	so it was his own private room so we could have ours
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HLT	And how old might you have been ? 6 or less, you say. But how far back might that
	go ? or is there anything earlier still in that memory ?
HM	Goes back as far as 4.
HLT	I see in your view.
HM	just when you asked that question I thought between 4 and
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	6 sort of because I was not going to school and I had not
	6 sort of because I was not going to school and I had not gone to school because I went to a private kindergarten first
WW	
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HLT Right right well, we got that more or less. But now you better go on, William I've been wanting to point out incidentally that we may well want to do this in different stages, you know. You could keep the tape, or start a new tape, instead of doing it all in one sitting if it gets a bit too ... too fatiguing.

WW yes yes.

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HM Whichever's best.

HLT Yes but you had a light morning today, Henry.

HM Well

HLT Nobody tested you in the morning ?..... or was there someone ?

HM testing this morning I don't think of.

- HLT You can't think of ? But there was'nt anyone, as far as I know.
- WW So, what was your ... what's the first thing you remember ?.... the earliest

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memory you have ?

HM living on Burnside Avenue the first time no, not the first time that would be a lie right there because I don't remember that uh exactly that uh more second time

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..... uh I'm going to correct myself again because I think of also Burnside avenue and another house uh a two three family before moving to the bungalow.

- WW You lived in a two or three family house before you lived in the bungalow?
- HM Yes.
- WW The bungalow where your grandfather slept in the front porch?
- HM Yes did in the summer, yes.

WW Yes not in the winter ?

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HM No he had his own ... uh place that he went up to

WW In the winter ?

- HM In wintertime he could uh his sister I let's see. His sister ... uh my aunt would be .. uh help take care of him, feed him.
- WW during the winter ?
- HM During the winter before we moved up there.
- WW Where was this place ?
- HM In Laurel Park Heights in E.Hartford.

- WWdid you ever live in this house in Laurel Park Heights ?
- HM Yes, I did I lived in there.
- WW While your grandfather was still alive ?
- HM Yes while he was still alive and after he died I don't

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..... remember just when ... if we moved to Manchester.

- WW After your grandfather died ?
- HM After he died.
- WW Did you move back hen you moved back to Manchester, did you move back to the house that you lived in before?
- HM Yes we did in the house before.
- WW Whose house was it ? Did it belong to your parents, or to relations ?
- HM No, did'nt belong to parents or relatives belonged to a man Italian man, name was Capella

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- WW What was his name?
- HM Capella.
- WW Then you were lucky that the house was free your parents were lucky that the same house was free.
- HM Yes in a way, it was free uh ... it was open that(?) we were able to move into it then because and .. uh ... the Capellas liked Daddy in a way, and liked mother they could do things uh

doing things for them when their relations came and visited them, they were able to use part of our place.

- WW In Manchester ?
- HM In Manchester.
- WW I see so ... about how old were you when you moved back to Manchester, do you think ?
- HM which time ?
- WW The second well, after your grandfather died.
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- HM well I thought of 7 right off first but it was I was older than that because I was'nt going ... uh .. to school hey ! I was not going to school so I was not seven I was going to the private kindergarten of course on Burnside avenue and from there we

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moved ... uh from what they call North Manchester over to South Manchester onto Spruce street and when I went to school there I started into second grade I did almost all all of that except a few weeks, a couple of weeks.

- WW Why did you miss?
- HM
 And from there from there because we moved into Hartford Conneticut

 uh on Maple avenue 24 Maple Avenue
- WW that's right were you ... where were you were you in school in first grade anywhere ?

HM No, I was not.

- WW You missed first grade, you jumped straight into second grade?
- HM Jumped straight into second that's what I think of right off..

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.. because I don't remember first grade at all.

- WW Were you in a...parochial school ? that was the school ?
- HM No,.. uh .. I was in a ... public school second grade, and we moved, that was in Manchester
- WW Yes

HM Lincoln school Manchester and we moved from there into Hartford and I

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went to the parochial school ... uh ... because I was living on Main street 97 Main street.

- WW This was after Maple avenue ?
- HM there ah I think of 97 Main street came after Maple I moved to Maple avenue, we moved to Maple avenue first then we moved to uh ..
 97.... Main street.
- WW Yes and while you were in Maple avenue, did you go to school ?

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- HM I don't remember it fully
- WW Yes you think you might ...?
- HM - -(??) I did or I can't, reckon(?) I did'nt
- WW But you definitely remember school while you were living on Main street ?
- HM Yes yes.

WW Which school was that ?

- HM That was the parochial school, St Peters parochial school.
- WW Was what grade were you in ?
- HM Second grade.

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- WW So you had to do second grade again ?
- HM No, I did'nt uh ... I did two weeks of second grade
- WW In St Peters school?
- WW So you were in St Peters from 2^{nd} through 8^{th} ?

- HM From second through 8th and from that I went to .. uh Burr Junior High School
- WW What was the name of that ?
- HM Burr Junior High.

WW Do you how do you spell Burr?

HM B-U-R-R.

WW that was in ...?

HM That was in Hartford on Wethersfield avenue.

WW So you had to travel, to go there ?

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- HM Well that I had to walk, yes I walk uh over uh having an argument with myself right there of 5 or 8 blocks down to Wethersfield avenue.
- WW Uh .. huh; from which street was that ?
- HM From Aniline(?) street.

WW you were living on ...?

HM I was living on Franklin Avenue.

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WW Ah right ..

HM And I ... that was the street that went between Franklin avenue and Wethersfield avenue.

WW I see

- HM I went that way and walked down Wethersfield avenue to Burr Junior High.
- WW I see right it's all becoming clearer now a lot of schools, a lot of houses, difficult to sort it out.
- HM Well because then .. well did 1st year of high school there, down at Burr
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Junior High and from there ... uh uh we moved from Franklin Avenue out to the South Coventry Conneticut. And I had to take a school-bus which stopped I was the last one to get on it in the morning and ... take me home ... take me from South Coventry to Willimantic and I

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think it was exactly 5 miles right from our house to Willimantic.

- WW And you were in what sort of school were you in ?
- HM That was in a high school Windham High.

WW	Windham ?
HM	Windham High school.
WW	Do you remember how to spell Windham ?
HM	well it's W-I-N-D-H-A-M.
WW	And what grade were you in there ?
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HM	see uh second year of high and well half of the
	third year.
WW	Why only half of the third year ?
HM	Because we moved from South Coventry back to Hartford and I quit school
WW	Yes
HM	and it was then well then after that we moved from
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	light-housekeeping rooms that we had were
WW	Lighthouse keeping ?
HM	Yes
WW	Was this?
HM	South Coventry to Uh Hartford that we'd moved
WW	uh I don't really understand this about lighthouse-keeping; you mean your parents
	working in a lighthouse was that the name of the street ?
HM	Nowhen I say light-housekeeping rooms I
JL	Furnished rooms
HM	Furnished rooms two furnished rooms.
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WW	That must be an American expression.
HM	it was uh on the same street in the same building same street in the
	same house, that I'd gone before I'd lived on Franklin avenue to take banjo lessons
	same house but was a floor up above it
WW	Yes.
34.00	

- HM and from there see moved out .. uh ... to ... uh ... E.Hartford on Burnside Avenue and
- WW You when you were living on Congress ST., you did not go to school ?
- HM I did not go to school.
- WW Did you work ?
- HM yes

- WW where ... where were you ...?
- HM I think of ... uh ... electric motors, right off because I believe when I moved when we moved down to ... uh ... there I have the argument with myself Royal or Underwood and

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- WW The man the man who lived next-door was called Underwood ?
- HM uh he was .. uh ... foreman over there too uh ...
- JL Do you mean that he worked at Underwood ?

HM Yes, he worked.

JL Typewriter company.

- HM assembling typewriters
- WW Let's see; you worked there as well ?
- HM I worked there also, on the assembly of typewriters because it was

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all finished parts that I had.

- WW Uh .. huh ... did you assemble complete typewriters, or just bits ?
- HM No, did'nt they were'nt complete typewriters uh three parts that had to be put into a definite uh number the typewriter was almost finished because it went from there I was at one end of the line and ... as I finished them, I had to put them in one

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place and ... somebody took them, and put them on a on a in the building, same floo r.... they took them over and by the window they finished the uh the .. uh assembly of them.

WW I see	so you	your job	was near	the end	of the	assembly	line	?
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- HM Near the ... uh .. well ... the middle ... you'd call it, that's what I think of.
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WW What were the particular parts you put together, do you remember that ?

- HM No I don't.
- WW Well did they was it part of the motor or the keys not the motor, the keys?
- HM No ... it was 'nt no, neither, there was 'nt a motor in it, and there was 'nt keys on it, it was the assembly of it, before they put the keys to it.

WW right

HM The parts uh you had to assemble them and then they ... went to

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another part and they put a ... uh well when you're assembly line, you finish what you're supposed to do because they would pass up each man was supposed to do something they were passed and you put on something definite and had to adjust something a way ... and ... uh ... as you finished them you took the next one and then there was someone that came over and got them where you'd put them ... and brought them over

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..... to the other line, where it was and they also worked that up uh it was near the com .. completion .. of the line.

- WW I see ... yes ... so how ... how long did you work there ?
- HM I thought of three right off
- WW Three ...?
- HM Years.
- WW Three years were you living on Congress street the whole time that you were working there ?
- HM I was not living on Congress street then.

WW Were you

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HM I was ... moved from Congress street then, I was living on Burnside avenue in E.Hartford.

WW Right ... right.

- HM The man next door also worked over at the uh Royal, and one side and the other side in Underwood I was right in the middle, you might say.
- WW Royal is a kind of typewriter ?
- HM Royal is a kind of typewriter and the Underwood is a kind of typewriter, they're both made assembled in the same uh ... not the same factory,

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but the same town, Hartford

WW Right

HM Conneticut and ... uh ... well ... area .. you'd call it town of Hartford because ... well one plant ... uh I thought of three right off, I think it's five uh stories, five.

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WW The Underwood plant ? the plant you worked in ?

HM the plant I worked in ...

WW Is five stories high ...?

HM five stories high.

- WW Do you know if it's still there ? have you been in that part of town recently ?
- HM No....I don't know if it's still there or not just as you asked that question that summation, I guess you call it, came to me in a way that one of them had moved.

WW Yes ... it's quite possible.

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- HM ... uh ... had moved out of town and then I was'nt sure if it was Massachusetts, or down ... Long Island.
- WW When did they move out of town ?

HM I don't know.

- WW I mean ... after you stopped working there, presumably. But, do you remember this happening soon after you stopped working there ?
- HM No it did'nt happen I think about 7 or 8 years .. or more 15 years

- WW So ... while you were living on Congress street, you had a different job, or you did'nt have a job?
- HM While I was living on Congress street I did I did have a job uh ... there .. uh at ... uh have I mentioned .. uh ... G.Fox and company ?

- WW What was ...?
- HM G.Fox ... and company.
- WW How do you spell that ?
- HM F-O-X G.Fox.
- WW What did they make ?
- HM They were'nt uh ... they were a retail store I worked in the Uh the shoe department I had to replace ... uh the shoes

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- that had been sold by the salesmen to make sure that .. uh ... the shelves were kept .. uh ... that the sizes were kept ... full.
- WW Yes...this was before you worked for Underwood?
- HM This was before I worked for Underwood.
- WW While you were living on Congress street ?
- HM Yes.
- WW How long do you think you worked there ?..... approximately ?
- HM one and a half years.
- 41.30
- WW right um so what did you do after you finished working in Underwood, do you remember that ?
- HM uh I'm having an argument with myself there because

- I don't think I did anything before there was ... the argument I'm having is ... uh ... the motors, the electric motor company, Ace Electric Motors in Hartford
- WW Yes you think you might have worked for them ?
- HM I might have worked for them two men ...that owned it ... and myself....

and ... uh .. the motors, electric motors that were burned out, were brought to us we had to rewind them.

WW Yes

- HM Before we wind them ... of course you get the wire size ... and the number that will go into each coil.
- WW Yes....and...what size motors were there, were they big motors ?
- HM And they were various sizes they were most .. well I'd say the

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largest was one and a quarter ... horsepower ... electric motors. They were'nt big ones ... one you could get into small one you had to well I think about the biggest about that big around (holding his hands about 18 inches apart) and they had smaller ones of course that used smaller wire and sometimes there'd be a higher uh ... number of turns.

- WW And you had to rewind them ?
- HM Rewind them.
- WW It must have been quite difficult...
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- HM ... you had to .. well, just .. uh ... when you counted them, you knew how many poles there were to it you're looking at it and you get the wire size there and then the starting winding(??) also had to put that in, rewind that after you rewound the other because that went between the other coils that you put in; some of them were two, some were uh less than ... uh ... two horsepower.

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WW I see So the biggest motors you had were about two horsepower?

HM Biggest.

- WW so it seems you definitely worked in this place ? But you're not sure
- HM Yes ... Ace Electric Motors...
- WW You're not sure if that was before or after you worked at Underwoods?
- HM No I was'nt sure.
- WW Do you know where you were living when you worked in Ace Electric Motors ?

HM um there I have I think of Burnside Avenue right

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off Congress street first.

WW So you think you were working at Ace Electric while you moved from Congress to Burnside Avenue ?

HM Yes

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- WW well, how are you feeling; all these questions ?
- HM uh well ... the real ... uh .. the questions ... OK. I feel alright in a way but still but .. uh ... I wonder

WW Wonder about what ?

HM Well the things that I'm remembering putting them and trying to ... and if I've left anything out trying to remember anything if I have left anything out, or skipped anything.

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- WW Do you ever think about these early days ?
- HM no in a way I don't I really try to forget them

WW Why yes ..

- HM Because well just try to forget them in a way ... it .. uh won't bother you that's the way I think of it as
- WW Well, I mean, yes it's difficult to when you have'nt been thinking

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about early days, then it's often rather difficult to remember quite when one thing happened and another thing happened. Especially if you've moved to a lot of houses.

- HM Well some say yes and some say no I don't know how it is but I thinkwell .. yes because ... of course, living on Burnside avenue when I was very small, I went to a private kindergarten, when I was living on Burnside avenue
- WW Yes

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HM And because we moved away from there to it was .. uh up on the heights Laurel Park Heights

WW Who lived up there ?

- HM Well moved up there mostly to uh ... take care of my grandfather while and his(?) grandfather and my aunt lived up there also.
- WW Whose whose father was your grandfather ?
- HM That was my father's.

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- WW Your father's father did you know your Mother's father ?
- HM No, I never did because I believe he died before I was born and ... uh ... my mother's grand ... uh .. my mother's mother I never knew either she had died too ... long before
- WW About coming back to your job in Underwoods you lived in Burnside avenue ?

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- HM Lived on Burnside avenue.
- WW How long did you go on living in Burnside avenue do you remember ?
- HM when you ask that question, I thought of 4 right off uh there was one place I thought of, one house
- WW Yes....on Burnside avenue ?
- HM On Burnside avenue uh
- WW This is when you?
- HM to(?) 509
- WW Number 509 ?
- HM 509 Burnside avenue.

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- WW It's quite a long avenue ?
- HM well, yes, it is, in a way it is but ... uh .. because ... well, starting at E.Hartford and then goes straight and right at ... uh ... the park it makes a turn it's a left turn and goes a little ways and then makes uh ... makes a right uh instead of

continuing, because it can't continue because of the drop right there and but they on the outside of the hill I guess you could call it and ... goes ... continues on to Manchester and

- WW Is there a Burnside avenue in Manchester ?
- HM No
- WW So it turns into a road ?
- HM It turns into a road.
- WW Uh do you remember when you .. sorry.

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- HM In a way ... the ... uh ... in Manchester it is partially known as West Center street
- WW The road?
- HM Burnside avenue I was trying to is known as West Center street
- WW Yes I see.
- HM It's on.....uh ... the west side ... uh .. on top of the hill, too of .. uh Manchester, because Main street goes down a hill one side is stores and other side are or one side is ... a park

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- WW Um do you remember where you moved after 509 Burnside avenue ?
- HM I think of 63 Crescent drive right off
- WW And how old do you think you were?

HM ... E.Hartford.

WW East Hartford. How old do you think you were when you moved from Burnside avenue ?

HM ... I don't know.

- WW Well, roughly how old ? 1418 20 ?
- 50.00
- HM No I was I was much older than that uh 28 or 30.
- WW 28 or 30 ? and that would have been what year, do you think ?
- HM well was in the 60's, but the first year I thought of right off was '57

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WW ... um do you still live in Crescent?

HM Crescent drive.

WW ... drive.

HM 63 Crescent drive.

WW That's where you live now ?

HM That's where I live now ... yes

WW And where about's is that ?

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- HM It's in E.Hartford and .. uh got an extra lot with the place that nobody can build on either because ... uh uh ... wires that go through there I think they are telephone wires I thought of high tension right off but I think they are telephone wires and there I have an argument with myself but I think of telephone right off ... uh.
- WW (To HLT, who has just re-entered the room) Henry was just telling us of his present address on Crescent drive... 63.

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HLT very well you would even get Henry to draw you a little map of his house ... he can do that. These things that he repeats, or that do repeat many times for him do get to him It's not all that bad, you know it's er ... these last few years we did notice a real improvement, in the way you can recall things, even for things that happened right now how

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long have you been here, Henry, in this place ?

- HM There I cannot ... definitely say right off.
- HLT No, but roughly.
- HM Roughly I think of two weeks right off.
- HLT I see; it's one week.
- HM One?
- HLT Exactly, today. And what is my name?
- HM uh .. doctor precedes ... uh I have an argument with myself I think of ... uh pronunciation
- HLT Yes...yes.

- HM But I think of Teuber. (Pronounced correctly which he had failed to do just prior to the interview)
- HLT Right; very nice, very good; that's much better than
- HM ... is it T-E-U-B-E-R ?
- HLT Excellent. That's very good, see
- WW Do you remember my name ? nobody remembers my name !
- HM Well you've got it quite right, I don't ! I can't remember his name either (indicating JL).

(Pause while JL and HLT depart)

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- WW Uh well how are you, how are you feeling ? too many questions ?
- HM no I don't think there are too many questions in a way what I'm thinking right off though is not too many questions in a way because the questions lead to answers.
- WW Questions lead to answers ?
- HM Yes.
- WW That's exactly that's what we always hope for, yes.

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- HM And I was'nt thinking just ... uh ... me giving the answers or asking the questions or anything like that uh I was thinking of other other people.
- WW Yes ... how do do you mean, 'other people'?
- HM Because possibly it can help you to help others.
- WW That's that's exactly why we are asking you these questions.
- HM Uh yes primary thought in a way I guess you could say I have if

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it helps others, that's good, very good.

- WW It's it's very good of you to look at it like that.
- HM ... uh ... thankyou it's funny ... the way what I always wanted to be though I know I could'nt uh well put it down as the ... well ... why I could'nt be it .. uh

.. naturally with the ... epileptic seizures of any kind but I thought of the wearing the glasses.

WW of .. of what ?

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- HM The wearing the glasses.
- WW Yes
- HM brain surgeon
- WW Yes ... that's what you wanted to be ? oh, well ...
- HM because I know, in brain surgery that wearing glasses these little bits(??) (makes gesture showing hand slipping slightly) that person is gone
- WW Yes got to be ...
- HM It has to be just right
- WW This is what you wanted to be when you were young ?
- HM I wanted to be a doctor before ... I thought of a lawyer too but

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.. seeing that ... well ... law ... well .. came along .. it was more of an excuse in a way because I thought of being a doctor.

- WW Yes. ...
- HM and in naturally(???) in mechanics...mechanical way ... uh ... but .. uh .. helping people and ... helping, and doing, and knowing because I wore the glasses then that ... one thing I could not be and I didn't

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want to trust myself to as ... as ... well uh I could say trust myself to, in a way.

- WW When did you start wearing glasses ?
- HM well ... 1932.
- WW When you were how old?
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- HM well about 9 there I have an argument with myself though, because I was thinking of 8 too when I thought of 9 called(??) that(?) out(?).

WW	Well, if it was really 9, then it would be 1935 or 34, would'nt it, if you were born in 1926
	?

HM I was'nt thinking of the addition or anything like that

- WW But you you were ... you were a young kid when you started wearing glasses ?
- HM Yes, I was young I was in the second grade.
- WW Second grade where ?
- HM uh in Hartford
- WW Which school was that ?
- HM St Peters parochial school.

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- WW And how old were you did you go through the whole of second grade in St Peters parochial school ?
- HM No, I did'nt I ... uh think of two weeks I .. uh ... that I did of the second grade
- WW Yes ... I see.
- HM ... starting then finishing ... graduating from there in the 8th grade I think of two weeks right off

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- WW so ... how many years were you at St Peters school ?
- HM well for years well .. that would be five.
- WW Five yes do you remember any teachers from St Peters school ?
- HM names, no.

- WW Do you remember what any of them looked like ?
- HM ... you see nuns.
- WW They were nuns ...? Well, nuns always look much the same, I suppose.
- HM Well...in a way.
- WW I mean, you can't really see much of them.
- HM the names you should remember though because someone ask you the names they do have but I don't.

WW Do you remember what the school looked like ?

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HM ... well it was set .. uh ... from Main street, set off from Main street, green grass in front of it well green grass in front of it, off of Main street.

WW Right.

- HM ... it was a brick building
- WW Red brick?
- HM Red brick and white trim white around ... uh .. the sill ... of the window.

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WW I see, how many stories did it have ?

HM I think of three

- WW Do you remember anything about the inside of the school ?
- HM ... well sort of .. uh part which you'd call the basement was raised up higher ... so that it would look like a floor in a way but it was still a basement.

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- WW And there were three stories on top of that ? Or a basement and two stories above that?
- HM A basement and two stories.
- WW Do you remember what the layout of the school inside ... where the classrooms were, things like that ?
- HM ... uh the layout .. uh let's see second grade on the ... uh what

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you'd call the first floor in the middle of the building.

- WW It was 'nt on the basement but on the floor above the basement ?
- HM Yes, it was on the floor above that.
- WW This was the second grade classroom ?
- HM Second grade classroom, it was in front.
- WW Not in the middle ? it was in the middle of the building in the front ?
- HM In the middle of the building in the front.
- WW Right...so it has a window facing Main street ?

- HM Had a window facing Main street because there's been they use it now as a parking lot but before it was all grass in front of there and white pole they had there centre of it
- WW You've seen the school recently ? It's still there, you think ?
- HM I think it's still there.

- WW Because ... I mean, you've seen it turned into a parking lot, anyway.
- WW I see there's a church next to the school ?
- HM Yes, St Peter's church.
- WW Right you remember it pretty well, the school The classroom we're still talking about the second grade classroom, right this is in the front of the building in the middle, on the first floor ?
- HM Yes.
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- WW And do you remember anything ... what was ... anything of the detail of the inside of the classroom ?
- WW I see. Did you sit near a window?
- HM Yes.
- WW So you could spend time looking out the window if you were bored with
- 62.30

the lesson ?

- HM Well could had if you'd ----(??), but in a way your seat was set in a way so that you could'nt look you were'nt tall enough to look over to see out.
- WW I see quite high sills to the window ?
- HM Had high sills there.
- WW I see. Do you remember any of the kids in the second grade with you, any of the other children in the class ?

HM well ... I think of one ... uh .. right off as you asked that question too
because .. uh .. well I graduated with her but her father was a cop at the time
and went on ... to become ... uh chief of police and her name
Hallassey (sp.?) last name first name was Arlene

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(End of Side One Channel One. Pause to rewind tape, talking about mechanics of the tape-

recorder)

Side One Channel Two

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WW Right now, what were we talking about when the tape stopped, do you remember ?

HM I don't.

WW Well, we were talking about

HM I think of school

WW That's right and ..

HM Attending school.

- WW Yes ... which school was that ?
- HM uh uh you asked the question, I thought of St.

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Peter's school.

WW That's right I was asking you about ..

HM It's in Hartford.

WW That's right. I was asking you a specific question about er .. kids you might have remembered from second grade do you remember, I asked you if you remembered any children who were in school with you at the same time in second grade.

- HMI think of one right off, a girl father is .. uh ... was ... on the police force then ... now..... uh I say now, and I remember it was a(?) bit(??) later(??) but uh ... Captain .. uhChief of Police.
- WW Chief of Police and how?
- HM Hallassey's the name.

WW	What was the name ?
HM	Hallassey.
WW	How do you spell that? Is that an Irish name ?
HM	I don't know I think it is an Irish name, but I could not spell
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	it.
WW	But you knew his daughter ?
HM	Well, yes, I knew his daughter well, going to school in the same uh class I
	was in.
WW	She was in the same class as you all the way through grade school ?
HM	Yes yes.
WW	And what was her first name ?
HM	Arlene
WW	Arlene do you remember but do you actually remember her when she
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	was in second grade ?
HM	No, I can't say I do.
WW	But you remember her from the later grades, you think ?
HM	Yes yes later grades that uh because of the way every year of
	course they'd take some and just shift them around and you'd
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	get mixed all up each year and hoping a certain one would stayand you
	with you if you were ready (???) to be shifted, that they would be shifted too
WW	Uh huh there was more than one class for each grade ?
HM	was two.
WW	I see, so people were often switched from one class to the other ?
HM	Well two classes to each grade and they'd uh they would uh shift over.
WW	when they moved up, I see.
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HM	one progressed in as they progressed the grades they'd have to take half			
	or and move just mix them around to make sure they would'nt stay all together			
	all the way through school.			
WW	Yes right but do you remember the teacher in second			
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	grade do you remember that was a nun, right ?			
HM	That was a nun, yes.			
WW	They were all nuns in all the grades ?			
HM	that I had, yes, they were all nuns but uh there was a lay teacher in one of			
	the lower grades			
WW	But you you were'nt taught by – was it a him or a her ?			
HM	It's a her.			
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WW	You were'nt taught by her ? Were you taught by the lay teacher ?			
HM	By a lay teacher ? No, I was not taught taught by the lay-teacher.			
WW	But you remember her ?			
HM	I remember that uh because of being all the sisters or nuns uh were teaching			
	and this lay teacher was wanted uh took over in there in the class in			
	the early grade very early grades			
WW	Why did she take over ?			
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HM	Uh so that they took well she I say took over, and what I mean it as that,			
	as the kids progressed then they were able to uh they'd gone to a lay teacher			
	and they'd seen the nuns around, so when they moved to the grade, next grade, they			
	would they would naturally uh more eased			
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	with being with the uh nuns than being scared they were going in there as			
	young kids, they'd be scared, right off in a way but they see them around and			
	understand them more.			

- WW Oh, I see, I see, because very small children would be scared of nuns.
- HM They would.

WW Because of their black ...

HM The black and the white.

WW Were you scared ?

HM No

- WW You were older then, though ?
- HM I was seven I say I was second grade and it was ... uh ... the last couple of weeks of second grade I went but I finished, uh ... went and grad-

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-uated from there.

- WW Yes and how old were you then, do you think ?
- HM I think of thirteen right off.
- WW Oh, you must have been younger than that.
- HM So I must ... I ...
- WW If it was second grade.
- HM Well, when I graduated
- WW Oh, sorry, I misunderstood, yes, when you graduated, thirteen, yes, that's right. But when you ... I meant, how old were you when you were in second grade?
- HM Oh, when I was in second grade ?
- WW Yes

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HM Oh there I cannot put my finger on it definitely

WW um, so then you went into third grade, right ?

HM Did'nt stay back at all uh went right straight through that uh ...

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- WW Do you remember ...?
- HM graduated from there
- WW Do you remember ...?

HM Eighth grade

WW anything about 3rd grade, or 2nd grade ? Do you remember anything particular happening any incidents ?

HM No, I don't remember any incident at all the only thing there's one that I've just remembered about the second grade, of course being .. uh ... well

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it was in the front of the school and ... uh .. faced north and it was on the west side of the school and .. uh ... there was noise .. uh .. on Main street then ... definitely be disturbed

WW By the traffic ?

HM By the traffic.

WW And you remember being disturbed ?

HM ... well, some of the kids were, they were sitting nearer to the windows.

WW Yes and they could'nt hear the teacher ?

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HM They could'nt hear the teacher and the teacher ... uh ... it disturbed her too it's .. uh .. she .. uh .. figured that .. uh ... well to have the windows closed in a way, so that she could talk to the teach ... she could talk to the pupils and the pupils could talk to her well ... understand what she was talking about.

WW Yes ... so it must have got quite hot, with the windows closed in the summer ?

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HM ... It was, sometimes but made sure that the doors were open there was two doors to each room I say two doors there ... wrong ...

WW This is the second grade, right?

HM Second grade. There is a front .. uh .. I say ... there's one door who .. was forwards forwards and there was another door down in the back of the room and ... a both were open and ... a draft could go through or a breeze, and cool them off easy made sure that the ... those doors were

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open during the summertime, because other teachers also had their windows open, they did'nt have to worry about the noise or anything

WW I see

HM and the doors were also open in their .. uh ... rooms in fact all rooms that were ... uh the windows w ... were open, had to have doors open also.

WW I see, yes

HM That's what I think of right off there were some rooms that were'nt used.

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- WW Anyway, this is you were talking mainly about second grade, right ?
- HM Yes, second grade.
- WW You remember it very well even though you were only there for a couple of weeks.
- HM Uh ... in a way uh ... possibly that I remember it more is that I learned it more ... or remembered it more because of being well .. the change from a parochial .. uh .. to a parochial school from a public school,

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which I'd been going to and a private kindergarten that I'd gone to before, naturally to start school and this was the first parochial school that I'd gone into.

- WW Yes ... do you remember ... how your second grade classroom was painted ? what colours ? it's rather a difficult question.
- HM I think it was like(?) right off with black, naturally ... and ... I thought of

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brown ... uh dark brown ... trim around the doors too and slate and ... around the slate.

- WW What about the walls ?
- HM They were two-tone one was a very dark colour ... that would

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not reflect light and the other was one ... was a lighter colour that would ... uh .. well, hold the light, but would'nt reflect it to make a brighter room.

- WW Yes what sort of light colour a cream colour a green colour ?
- HM Well ... both I mean ... different rooms had it different way.
- WW The second grade?

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HM A light yellowish green

- WW Do you think there were pictures on the walls, or maps, or anything like that ?
- HM Well there were on some of the walls there were pictures ... but .. uh

..... there is a because some rooms ... all rooms at least two of them had slate slates on it.

WW Every room?

HM In every room.

WW One slate ?

HM But ... no .. not ... one panel of slate but one side would be slate and another there was a doorway ... two doorways ... and and there'd be

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another ... side .. have slate that possibly was'nt used for anything at all.

- WW Yes ... it was just there.
- HM Uh ... just there in a way if you wanted to put on notices in a way, or write something down which was to stay there for a long time other places that they used were definite to .. nuns and children used ... uh .. we used ... as to .. uh .. write on and to figure things out that were going to be erased.
- WW I see when did you learn to read and write: in grade school, or before that ?
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- HM Before that I learned to read and ... the writing part there's a question mark there
- WW Well, that sort of thing's difficult to remember, because you don't do it all at once, but
- HM well ... because I think that when I first started to write I wrote lefthanded.
- WW You did?

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- HM and ... they changed me over when I went to that parochial school, to write righthanded and my writing's never been good but plain in a way and but not ... uh uh .. just .. uh might say
- WW No, it does'nt help it to be changed from one side to the other.
- HM No ... I know .. that's the way she had it the nun ... the sister .. you had to write ...

- WW This was in the second grade ?
- HM That was in the second and the third.
- WW I see
- HM I was only about .. uh .. two weeks in
- WW Yes, in second grade.
- HM Second grade and went into the the other, the third, naturally ... the sister wrote she was very .. uh ... wanted everyone to write one way.
- WW Did you complain about that ?
- HM There were other kids that uh,, had to write .. uh .. lefty .. and they were put

in the other room because one room had all who wrote one way.

WW With the right hand ?

- HM With the right hand and the other one was more of a mixture and it was only during if someone was transferred to that and put in that room that may have written left-handed.
- WW I see, and you were in a room where everybody had to write with their right hands?

HM With their right hands that was predominant

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WW Um going back to the private kindergarten, do you remember anything about that ?

HM Well it was on Burnside avenue in E.Hartford the number of

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.... the place I don't know 449 there ! And no, it is not 449 because later, I'd moved to another house ... uh .. well ... we moved to that house later when(??) I went back to school and .. uh it was two houses from it and it was 509

- WW that was much later when you ..
- HM That was <u>much</u> later.
- WW What were were you in school when you moved back much later to 509?

HM	I'd quit school I'd quitI'd been going down to Windham High School in
	Willimantic Conneticut I'd quit school and when we moved back
	We moved to Hartford and light-housekeeping, then we got this other place
	where we we moved all our furniture there and and we stay then I
	definite to school and uh took(?) the bus down every morning and finished
	school in a way, made sure

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	that to myself that I got uh High School Diploma, you might say.
WW	Did you get a High School Diploma ?
HM	Well, I know I graduated from the class, with the class but I was not with them,
	because being old.
WW	Yes which school was that ?
HM	E.Hartford High.
WW	Uh huh, and when did you go there ?when you were living on Burnside avenue ?
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HM	Living on Burnside avenue.
WW	You went there was that you went there as well as working, or you were in school
	and then you went to work?

- HM No I'd I'd quit working see I quit school first and then went to work and I worked for a year or two ? and then I quit work.
- WW What job was that which ... where were you working ?
- 80.30
- HM well in .. uh Ace Electric Motors G.Fox and company ... uh
- WW G.Fox ?
- HM G.Fox its two places and another place too I've thought of another place a <u>third</u> place
- WW Yes.....
- HM Stately Floors they had .. uh .. they ... were ... a .. rug company.
- WW Stately Floors ?
- HM Floors

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WW	and you worked in these three places?
HM	Just in these three places.
WW	And after that you went back to school?
HM	And I went back to school .
WW	I see where was Stately Floors where was Stately Floors company?
HM	That was in uh Hartford and it was uh I should say the northern
	part Main Street
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WW	That was while you were living on Burnside avenue, or while you were living
	on Congress St?
HM	No, I was living on Burnside avenue.
WW	I see beginning to get it beginning to get it straight now.
HM	There I have an argument with myself right there uh uh the
	Stately Floors yes, I was on Burnside avenue.
WW	What did you do in the Stately Floors company ?
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HM	Stock and move the move the heavy rugs around help the other
	guys in that way.
WW	You did'nt lay lay the carpets ?
HM	Did'nt lay them down lay them down because they'd get a shipmen(t?)
	in and have to sort them in a way naturally there's a because
	one want uh certain kind of linoleum and uh uh they would
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	want a certain kind of rug and you can only tell by what was written
	there in a way and but you could tell partially by looking at the
	side you see the rug uh
WW	What material it was.
HM	The material it was.
WW	The patterns
T TN A	Wall you concerning and right on what it is when but if you looked at

HM Well you generally see right on what it is uh but if you looked at

it you could see what kind of design or colour

- WW What sorts of rugs did they have there?
- HM Stately Floors?
- WW Yes.
- 83.00
- HM Well ... they have the kind that were all measured out already that you buy measured already ... and they also have the kind that you go and get they have to measure the place and they lay it down like you see like this.
- WW Fitted carpets?
- HM Uh fitted .
- WW Yes there are all sorts of rugs and carpets.
- HM And uh ... naturally they get the diagrams themselves in a way when they get

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the the footage and they knew just where a little ... say .. piece may uh ... chimney or something stuck out so they'd have to remove(????) it(????) right there in that part could'nt make it just wall to wall ...

- WW no ... no ... rooms are'nt usually built like that. Did you cut the carpets out at all ?
- HM No ... no.
- WW You just ... you were just on stock?
- HM Just on the stock and the ... it was .. the ... uh the uh .. truck
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men men on the truck that they'd come into the store and get the stuff, and they'd go out and have to put it down and possibly measure .. .

- WW I see
- HM but you kept track of what was that they had taken how much they'd taken because they may not want just a little little bit and they took a lot.
- WW Anyway, you er ... worked in these three places, and then you went back to school, right ?

HM Yes.

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- WW And which ... you went back to which school?
- HM E. Hartford High.
- WW But you had not been there before ?
- HM I had not been there.
- WW And which grade did you start in, there ?
- HM Well ... uh ... junior.
- WW Junior.
- HM That'd be the third year.
- WW So that would be
- HM the .. third year, and you do four years in high school juniorthird year, senior uh ... last year.
- WW So how many years were you in Burnside .. in .. er E. Hartford High?

- HM ... well ... the junior and the senior year .
- WW Two years ?
- HM Two years at that high school ...
- WW Then you graduated from there ?
- HM I graduated from that high school.
- WW and ... and what did you do after that , after you graduated from high school ?
- HM I think of the Underwood typewriter company .
- 85.30
- WW Have you said anything about that before? to me .
- HM ... I think I have .
- WW Yes ... well, we talked about it a bit earlier.
- HM about the man that ... lived next door
- WW That's right
- HM And I went in the same and I w I and I went in the same department that he did .

WW That 's right then you worked there for how long?

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- HM I don 't know for exactly how long think it was 18 months.
- WW Then you stopped ?
- HM then yes ... I had .. well the natural lay-off there .. because .. uh ..
 slow up of work in a way, it was the summertime and you were'nt wor
 you were'nt putting ... down carpets, or ... getting .. out .. uh .. carpets ...
 (Brief pause while a nurse comes in to say it's HM's dinnertime)

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- WW This was .. er .. 18 months and then you were laid off where was this?
- HM ... uh ... uh ... the Underwood
- WW Right ... well. I think that's enough for today; I've asked you an awful lot of questions, and it's your dinner time.
- HM well
- WW But if you don 't mind, I'd like to come back and ask you some more questions next week.
- HM OK
- WW Well, that's very kind of you.

End of First Session .

SESSION TWO

May 27th 1970 Clinical Research Center . MIT.

Side One Channel Two.

(Dr.Philip Bryden also present)

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HM (talking about tape recorder) .. automatically.

- WW Yes
- HM ... they automatically shut off the motors set at a certain speed ...
- WW What were you saying about the motors?
- HM They keep a certain speed . . . and .. uh .. they won't go over that speed and ..

uh ... trying to keep the motor .. uh .. at that ... uh ... speed .. is .. uh .. sometimes very hard .. uh .. regulate first ... but after regulation that ... uh .. the gears and everything help ... the gearing help ... the .. control the ____(???) and of course no matter how fast a motor does go, the electric motor .. it's

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the power that's .. uh .. behind it ... that .. uh .. ____(???) that's able to turn something else maybe ... uh ... another ... well .. uh .. like a blade or a saw.

- WW I remember last time I was talking to you, Henry, you were telling me you used to work mending electric motors.
- HM Ace Electric Motor Company.
- WW Where was that ?

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- HM ... not .. it was in Hartford, and I think of Woodland street right off.
- WW Wootton street ?
- HM Woodland.
- WW Woodland. That's where you used to work?
- HM That's right.
- WW That's where the company was ?
- HM Ace Electric Motor Company.
- WW When did you ... what .. ?
- HM Went through there ... and went .. uh .. to the Royal there I have another argument,Royal or Underwood I'm not sure if it was the Royal or

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the Underwood; I say Royal right off ... quick the man next door worked at the Royal typewriter company for a long time ... years ... and it was a natural ... it was a .. assumption that I made right that's why I said it right off .. quick like that in a way .. well it was the Underwood that I worked at.

- WW ... where were you living when you worked at the Underwood company ?
- HM Well. I think of Congress street ... then wait ... correct myself right off

..... on Burnside avenue in E.Hartford I went to work at the

UnderWood because the man next door was also working there and as it was

he did'nt know it either and I went in there and I was put in his department and he

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... and he was surprised right off to see me around.

- WW This was at the Underwood factory ?
- HM The Underwood.
- WW Was there someone living next door to you who worked at the Royal as well ?
- HM Well the man next door in the same house that I lived in ... uh he worked at the .. uh ... the Royal work uh naturally he worked out there all his life.
- WW There were two people ?
- HM There was two people there.
- WW One worked at the Royal and ?
- HM One worked at the Royal .. that I knew from that .. uh ... my mother knew the

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woman before they even got married both.

- WW This is when you lived on Burnside avenue?
- HM That's when we lived on Burnside avenue ... and the man .. that lived next ... in the other house that worked up there ... also .. uh ... well ... he was a foreman .. boss ... like over there ... and just a ... he was surprised in a way that I was put in his department .

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WW I see. Do you remember what number Burnside avenue you lived in, while you were working at the Underwood factory ?

HM 509.

- WW 509.
- HM Burnside avenue .
- WW Did you live anywhere else on Burnside avenue ?
- HM yes ... 449
- WW 449.
- HM That's down the street .. uh ...

- WW Did you live there before you lived at 509 ?
- HM No, lived there afterwards

WW Afterwards.

HM We moved down from 509 to 449.

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- WW Were you working when you moved to 449?
- HM No, I don't believe I was working then at all.
- WW Do you think this was before or after your operation ?
- HM Well I have an argument with myself ... whether it was before or afterbut I know because I don 't remember the fullness of it can't placeit entirely .. the . . uh ... moving .. uh .. moving down there in a way but I know that

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it was sometime either just before the operation or just after.

- WW yes can you remember what the house, the second one on Burnside avenue was like ?
- HM I think of a four-family house right off but I have an argument with myself... think it was six- family and it was .. dark(??) . . but the .. uh ... owner of it

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of it .. uh ... lived on .. in . . the second floor on the other side. We lived on the first floor

.....

- WW You lived on the first floor?
- HM ... on .. uh ... the West side he lived on the East side .
- WW And how many rooms did you have ?
- HM uh thre.
- WW This is 449 Burnside ?
- HM No ... this 449, yes .
- WW And how many rooms ?
- HM ... Think of four.

- WW Four rooms do you remember anything about the rooms?
- HM well in a way ... I think of all one floor of course, but railroad style ..

the front room ... was the entry where you came in from the porch, private front porch too, to that place .. uh .. then .. you went in through an archway in .. uh .. the di .. uh .. into the dining-room ... from the hall into the dining- room which

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was an archway ... then there was .. uh ... a wall with two doors on it ... one on each side of the wall ..one went into ... uh ... bedroom .. and the other went into uh .. hallway that was used for ... lavatory was all(?) ... and ... then went right

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through that room, the bedroom of course, into the kitchen. There was another door where you .. to go .. I say doorway it's a door it's a hallway, a little hallway, and went .. uh .. through that, you had to open the door to go out to the back porch, and ... off of that hallway there was another room ... on .. uh .. well as you were going out it would be on your left side. And, that was the room that I slept in two windows in it the one at the back .. uh .. would be the South

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side of the house, and, the other .. uh .. window .. was at the .. uh .. East side of the house.

WW I see .. and where was this ?

HM At 449 .. Burnside avenue ... in E.Hartford.

WW Do you remember your own room in any detail ... what sort of furniture there was?

HM Well it was a small room and .. remember that .. well .. at the foot of the bed ..

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see .. at the foot of the bed would be on your left uh ... the window ... there was a window there . .. and ... then there was a little ... wall space that went into the corner ... and from the corner where you could have .. uh .. like a uh a thing that you hang clothes in

WW ... yes ... cupboard ?

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HM ... cupboard and at the end of that uh ... what ... hallway not hallway.. uh ... uh ... that thing .. uh whichever(?) word(?) you want to call it, there was awindow that looked out on the back ... of the house then there was the West wall of

the room, there was nothing on it .. uh ... no windows .. there was a doorway in it though, that went out into a hallway that you went to that went into the kitchen. The dresser was also on that wall, further down.

WW What sort of dresser was it?

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- HM ... Well ... I think of a grey dresser, right off and .. uh painted grey and it was one who'd been had for a long time it was hard wood.
- WW Do you still have this dresser in your new house ?
- HM No, I don't believe I have, no ... that was .. uh .. one of the places one of the things we got rid of.

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- WW But you had this dresser when you were younger, too?
- HM Had this ... uh .. when we moved into that 509 Burnside avenue ... got hold of that dresser... because of the people moving out and everything, that were breaking up ... and .. we needed a dresser.
- WW Yes .. so you got the dresser when you moved into ... ?
- HM Got the dresser.
- WW .. moved into 509 ?
- HM 509 Burnside avenue .
- WW And you took it with you to 449?
- HM And took it with me to 449 ... Burnside avenue ... that's down the street towards E.Hartford.

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- WW Yes . Where did you go after you left 449 Burnside avenue ?
- HM 63 Crescent Drive in E.Hartford.
- WW 63 Crescent Drive. That's where you live now?
- HM That's yes ..
- WW Do you have a telephone ?
- HM Yes, there is a telephone in there.
- WW Do you remember the number ?

- HM I think of the number ... Jackson .. 8 ... uh ... 5 1 0 I have an argument with myself there ... the last ... the last number is a 2 or a 3
- WW So it's Jackson 8510 2 or 3?

HM 2 or 3.

- WW This is in E. Hartford again ?
- HM In E.Hartford, yes, it's on Crescent Drive.
- 11.00
- WW Well, let's go back a bit, Henry, because last time I was talking to you,I was'nt quite clear what you lived on Burnside House ... Burnside avenue before that, did'nt you, when you were very young?
- HM Yes, I lived on it ... well about .. uh ... went to a. private kindergarten uh ... but I when I lived in ... uh guess you'd call it a cottage or whatever .. was a single house and .. was ... but ... was at the top of the hill on Burnside Avenue and uh ...

- WW Yes ... do you remember the number ?
- HM No, I don't.
- WW This was .. uh ... a single house , a bungalow, a cottage ?
- HM It was a single house and .. uh ... we were the only ones ... that ... naturally that lived in it then ... and .. uh ..

WW How many people lived there ?

- HM Well, my mother, my father, myself.
- WW Yes you don't have any brothers or sisters ?
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HM living there ... no ... I don't have any sisters or brothers

.. from there, we moved from there uh I said I have the argument with ..

.. uh .. up on Laurel Park Heights or to Manchester Connecticut and ...

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.... I know of one I know I lived at Laurel Park Heights .. up there for a while ... uh ... where my grandfather and grand .. my grandmother was dead ... at the time and so until my grandfather had died he lived with us ...

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WW He lived with you where ?

- HM It'd be on Laurel Park Heights
- WW Did he live .. with you ...
- HM .. in E.Hartford.
- WW Did he live with you at all in Burnside avenue?
- HM ... no

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WW Well, I was thinking you said something about his sleeping in the front porch, your grandfather.

HM yes he was when he let's see , visitors came up from the South I believe it ... so he'd have well .. he'd sleep on the front porch there ... and he could go out earlier .. when he wanted to and they could come and get him when they wanted to and .. when ... went back up to the Laurel Park ... house on

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Laurel Park Heights because the people from the South were probably sleeping in his bed and using his room there.

- WW So when they went back ... ?
- HM When they went back then he would naturally go back to Laurel Park Heights.
- WW Who were the visitors from the South , do you remember ? were they relatives?
- HM Yes, they were relatives ... and .. uh they were uh well

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distant relatives of mine but ... um ... now I have an argument with myself ... of was one of the women a woman came up and stayed with ... an .. an aunt ... of my father's

- WW ... An aunt of your father's?
- HM Yes.
- WW One of your grandfather's sisters?
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- HM One of my grandfather's sisters yes, from Louisiana came up at that time because they were settling the estate and everything that my grandfather had getting everything straightened out because my father

originally from Lousiana Thibodaux (spelling according to Gazeteer; pronounced by HM as "Tibidoe") Louisiana too ... I remember how to spell that !

- WW How do you spell that?
- HM T-H-I-O-B-E-A-T-U-X.
- WW ... French name ?

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- HM It is French I should .. in a way I remember it .. I learned it because .. well
 .. my grandmother's maiden name was Thibodaux was on my father's side ..
 . I mean .. she was my grandmother but it was his mother her maiden name was Thibodaux.
- WW Oh, I see, so she had the same name as the town.
- HM As the town. And she was one of the .. uh ... relatives of the people that had

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settled and built the place up was .. uh .. in Lousiana Thibodaux, Lousiana.

- WW How did we get how did we get to talking about your relatives in Lousiana ?Do you remember why we mentioned them? Just now.
- HM Just now we mentioned them because of Laurel Park Heights ..
- WW That's right.
- HM ... speaking about that, and my grandfather sleeping on the front porch and where ... ask about my grandmother where she was.

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- WW That's right. Your grandmother was dead by then?
- HM She was dead by then.
- WW When did your grandfather die ?
- HM I don 't know
- WW Do you remember him dieing ?
- HM See, I don't remember him dieing ... no.
- WW But you remember him while he was still alive?
- HM yes, I just remember him in a way, yes ...was in a way I say "in a way"

	it's faintly in a way way I think of uh well right off I thought of
	a tall man but he is'nt was'nt tall medium size uh not heavy-built.
	I always think of him in a grey suit that uh because he was
	uh looked entirely different than than my father did of course
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	and my father of course looked different than my grandmother or grandfather
WW	Yes well
HM	with him being tall and my grandmother she was being heavy, fat I' d
	say and my grandfather him being short and thin
WW	I see.
HM	He was uh I think of about five eight.
WW	Your father?
HM	Grand.
WW	Grandfather.
HM	Grandfather because my father was almost exactly six foot, just had oh
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	quarter part of an inch or so to go and he'd be six foot.
WW	How tall are you?
HM	I think of six two right off.
WW	Pretty tall .
HM	Yes, I know I'm taller than my father and uh I of course taller than
	uh my mother because she is the shortest and it it uh looks strange in
	a way well my father being the size he is and I'm taller than he is and then my
	mother wait she's then taller than all three all two of them
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WW	It often happens that way un Is your father still alive? Do you
HM	there I have an argument with myself right off that I think he is
	and then I have the argument of course that I think that he has been called

WW Yes you're not sure?

- HM And I'm not sure ... can't put my finger ... well ... definitely on it well so(rt?) of wavering view you might say viewpoint of it he is and he is'nt and it's because a way of figuring it that was.
- WW Yes what about your mother ?
- HM I believe she is still alive yes.
- WW Right well, going back to this cottage on Burnside avenue. Um ... where did, do you remember where you lived before that ?

- HM Before that it was still on Burnside avenue ... and .. uh ... it was up the street..... (???) I don't remember the number of the house.
- WW Before the cottage?
- HM Before the cottage.
- WW So you lived in four houses in Burnside avenue altogether ?

HM ... Three

- WW Well, there's 509, 449 ..
- HM Yes, <u>four</u> that 's right I forgot about the 449 .. right off....
- WW And then the cottage.
- HM The cottage.

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- WW And you're sure there was a place before that ?
- HM And there was a place before that uh so I remembered it in a way because the people that lived upstairs ... and our family, both moved out at the same time when we moved to the .. the cottage in a way then ... uh .. they had moved away too and they were .. of course . .. a noisier bunch upstairs,

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there was some boys, I believe , and they made a habit of stamping their feet on the

- WW How old were the boys upstairs ?
- HM ... uh right off I think of two or three .
- WW And how old do you think you were ?
- HM And there's where I have an argument with myself, right there, because I

think of ... that I was uh .. about .. four ? yes now ... that .. that just

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came out, just then, that "four".

WW Were you going to kindergarten then ?

HM No.

WW You went there .. went to kindergarten later?

HM Went to kindergarten later, because we had moved from that house down the street to the cottage it was a single uh family and ..

WW Are these houses on Burnside avenue still there ? The cottage and the house you lived in before ... do you remember seeing them later ?

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when you where living in 509 for example ... were those other houses still there

HM Yes, they were I believe they were, yes .. there was one thing uh surprising about it that they were there but ... it was always .. uh .. something to go up there and .. well ... when you're passing it .. well knew that you'd lived there before when you were small and just starting school private

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kindergarten I went to then of course then I had ...all the schools that I went to, Manchester I went to, then in Hartford ... then .. uh .. Willimantic .. and when I graduated from high school, E. Hartford.

- WW A lot of schools.
- HM It's a lot of schools.
- WW A lot of houses .
- HM A lot of places I've moved to.
- WW Now .. going back to the house, the first house on Burnside avenue , do you remember anything about the inside of that house ?

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HM ... No, I don't.

- WW But you remember the people upstairs who were noisy?
- HM Yes they uh .. because the two boys ...
- WW Did you play with the two boys upstairs at all ?

- HM Yes, we did, we did play sometimes very .. but there was one .. uh they were .. rougher in a way ..
- WW But you were bigger than they were ...

- HM One of them was ... uh ... I believe I was bigger I was not, that they ... because one of them, I think was younger.
- WW Yes you used to play with one of them?
- HM Well I mean, both the boys together would come together down one was .. being older.
- WW Yes ... do you ... do you remember their names?

HM offhand I can't say I do

WW Well, it's a long time ago.

- HM ... yes ... well it is ...
- WW But you don't think you can remember anything about the inside of the house, the first house, on Burnside avenue ?

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- HM No the first place yes .. well. . second floor I can't think of it that way and
- WW And the people, the other people, lived on the third floor? in a threestorey house ?
- HM I have an argument with myself right there, I think it was a three-storey and then again I think it was a two-storey.

WW Yes so you might have lived on the first floor?

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- HM So I might .. ? ... I know I did'nt live on the first floor ... because the people had ... the kids ... young boys .. that were ... stamp we made sure that .. uh ... we'd live above them instead of have them live over us and have them stamping around probably disturbing us in a way
- WW Uh ... wait a minute you made sure .. what did you make sure?
- HM Well, that they would .. uh ... that we'd live on the second floor, above them

rather than have them stamp around up there because they were small boys at the time and ...

- WW I'm sorry, I understood you to say that they lived above you.
- HM They did, before.
- WW Before Burnside avenue ?
- HM No, it was still the same, on Burnside avenue but it was there ... they moved and .. when .. the people that lived above them moved, they moved down
- WW Oh, I see.

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- HM ...stairs and ... we grabbed the rent quick before anybody else could, and made sure that well, because we liked them in a way and we could get .. we knew them ... get along with them in a way... but there was... uh... made sure that they'd be downstairs.
- WW I see do you remember where you lived before this house on Burnside avenue ? Where did you live before that?

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- HM Gee Manchester Connecticut .. uh .. North Manchester.
- WW You don't remember where ?
- HM It was on...uh...I guess you'd call it Main street, North Manchester.
- WW But you.... this is the house you lived in twice, is that right?
- HM We lived in that one twice.
- WW Because you moved there again later?
- HM Yes.
- WW And you told me the name of the landlord?

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WW That's right.

- HM They owned it, that's the one we lived in, but the other place we also lived in ... uh .. twice, once when I was very very small and .. and .. a baby in a way....that we moved out of there.....
- WW That was in Manchester too?

HM That was in .. uh .. North Manchester uh and .. it was on the first floor.....

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and then of course the people that were ... kids made sure that they ... we wanted to .. uh when they first lived there.. when we first lived there.. they were ... the kids .. uh .. made so much noise in a way that we wanted to make sure that they got over us if we if ... all(?) moved out we knew they were going to move

- WW And they moved from the top to the bottom ?
- HM Yes.

WW And where was this?

HM See ... it was in North ... uh ... North Manchester see I have to think right off

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which is which ... North and South Manchester..... and ... but they're both Manchester

- WW This was before Burnside avenue?

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of course .. uh .. before .. well.. when I went to kindergarten and .. uh ... well .. then we moved from there... first up to the heights too..... called Laurel Park Heights where my grandfather because my grandmother had died and ... wanted to keep the home for him... so .. because he was all by himself up there... that's I remember just about all I can remember of it.

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- WW Do you remember what the house on Laurel Park weights was like ?
- HM .. well ... it was .. uh let's see say, five rooms on one floor, it was a cottage I guess you'd call it ... and .. it was a front porch would be .. was glassed in so my grandfather would be on it
- WW On Laurel Park Heights ?

- HM On Laurel Park Heights too .. and
- WW I thought you said he slept on the front porch in the house on Burnside avenue ?
- HM He did both ...

WW Oh .. I see ...

HM You see ... that's it .. uh ... because we had moved from there .. and we ... so that he would .. before selling the estate and everything that's why we were living

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then .. uh .. there ... on Burnside avenue in a way .. uh .. but before we'd .. settled there .. because we'd moved around quite a bit ...

WW I'm not really clear about these houses in Manchester.

HM Do you .. uh ..

- WW Try and start at the beginning, at the earliest house you know about, and then go through.
- HM ... well ... the one .. uh .. down called North Manchester the part

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Manchester ... and .. uh .. it's on the Main street and .. uh from there .. uh .. uh .. went on .. can't think of the name of the street .. uh ... that we .. lived on in .. uh ... down where the .. uh ... Capella's lived .. they owned the home that we lived in

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they lived below us naturally ... but there was a big family of them and there were some of them married living in New York State and they came up visitng ... we had to put them up on the porch if they... got overcrowded in a way with the kids too ... that they had themselves.

WW Yes They were'nt the family with the two young kids, who made a noise?..... This was a different family ?

- HM ... uh ... yes , it was a different family.
- WW They lived in Manchester as well?
- HM Yes, they lived in Manchester and there were some real noise-makers the ones that lived on Burnside avenue too ... that lived also ..
- WW The same family or two different families ?
- HM They were two different families .
- WW Both with two small boys ?
- HM Two small boys .

WW You're sure that they were two different families ?

HM They're two I said the two different families , well because one was .. uh

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.. owned the house that they lived in and other one .. uh .. did'nt own the house they lived in, they moved around like we did

WW And they moved with you twice they moved uh uh now let's stop talking about that for a minute I want to ask you a different

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question, Henry. Um I want you to try to think who is the first public figure you remember. The first ... not a member of your own family, but somebody famous who you'd heard of

HM Yes .. uh well. .. right off I ... when you said that .. I thought of .. uh the Roosevelt and .. first .. right off and I thought of his election, first election with Hoover

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- WW What ... he ran against Hoover ?
- HM Yes, he ran against Hoover.
- WW What year was that ?
- HM Uh that was in .. uh ... I think of '32 right off.
- WW That sounds right to me pretty good. How old were you then?
- HM Be about six.

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- WW That's right ... do you remember any public events before that ?
- HM well 1929 I think of the Byrd Exposition ... Expedition .. down to the South Pole .. the first one, no, <u>not</u> the <u>first</u> one, the <u>second</u> one.
- WW 1929?
- HM '29.
- WW Do you remember that from 1929 ?

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HM 1929, that's what I think of right off ... of that year.

- WW But do you remember that from 1929, I mean, do you remember it actually happening, hearing about it then, or do you think you heard about it later?
- HM Well. ... I think about hearing about it then ... uh ... well .. the .. uh ... there were some .. newspaper or radio reports .. given .. about it .. at the time and ... how he was progressing.

- WW Yes .. and you .. you remember that?
- HM ... That ... uh ... and that ... think ... brought right up.
- WW Well, that's very good.
- HM ... and .. of course after thinking of that too ... thinking of 1929, the Stock Market Crash because believe I mentioned that before.

WW Not to me, no.

HM I did'nt ? ... You see, I thought I had mentioned it

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- WW Well, we were talking about 1929, but you only mentioned the Byrd Expedition.
- HM Oh ... you see .. there .. well .. that ... that ... the Stock Market Crash fell(?) down(?).
- WW Do you remember that happening ?
- HM I thought ... I thought of it ... because of my grandfather losing some money in it in a way .. I don' think of it .. uh ... as I can't pu... put my

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finger on it definitely, I mean .. did(??) you(??) ever anything of it you might yourself.

- WW You don 't think you might have heard about it later?
- HM Well I might have heard about it later but I knew of it then and .. but ... uh .. did'nt put any .. uh .. what'd you call it staunchness or .. well. .. just let it go at that !
- WW Yes, sure, that's fine. Do you remember anything .. any particular occasion when **34.30**

you heard about the Byrd Expedition? Or do you just remember it vaguely

HM ... Uh .. well .. I think of the Stock Market Crash ... and right off I think of, well,

there was so many banks ... lost the money that their depositors had because my mother dad , lost the money that they had deposited in a bank and .. I don't know the amount it was but they lost it .. uh .. because the bank failed and shut

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down.

- WW Do you remember that actually happening?
- HM in a way, no, I don 't remember it actually happening just going down to the bank .. and .. uh .. when my mother would put in money I say put in ... and .. but I know she went to the teller when it was put in or take out ..

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- WW Yes ... this was round about the time the banks collapsed?
- HM Wait a minute this was before the time bank collapsed that she was putting in the money ..
- WW It might have been afterwards, though.
- HM Because afterwards when the banks were not ... they were not .. uh .. in existence after the collapse uh ... the Stock Market.
- WW But they did ... but there were some banks left.
- HM They were oh ... there were some banks, but this particular bank was not its

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depositors lost their money that was ... not .. uh .. definitely lost their money but .. uh .. just had .. got part of it back, not the full amount.

- WW And you remember your mother going to this particular bank?
- HM Yes, and .. uh .. it seemed that they had lost her not .. uh ... gone in and collect fully or whatever it was they were supposed to have collected ...

WW Yes, I see

- HM ... they could'nt have collected because there was others uh ... there were(?) not(??) paid on and that had money in the bank relatives .. and the(??) rest(??) of the money was lost and they were not able to collect anything because they were'nt around to collect
- WW ... Well, this 1932 election, who was that ?

- HM Roosevelt who got elected uh ...
- WW Did your family support Roosevelt?
- HM Well, I can't say that they did and I can't say they did'nt because .. uh .. well
 .. you know my mother and dad both could vote, they did'nt in a way though
 I think right off though my dad did support Roosevelt in a way because of ...
 the WPA, he was able to go onto it and we were living in Manchester then

and he was out of work ... for about four years and ... he was able to get onto it just for a little ... to get enough in .. for himself in a way and make money to uh working(?) on(?) on definitely other things .

- WW Yes. When did Roosevelt introduce the WPA?
- HM I think of 1932 right off.
- WW you think it might have been later than that ?
- HM yes, it was later, I think of '34 because .. uh ... his election was in '32.
- WW Yes. What about the next election? Do you remember the next election?
- HM uh was that .. uh .. the one that he ... Landis ... did he run against Landis

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WW Landon.

- HM Or Landon ?
- WW Yes
- HM And ... that .. uh ... course he won that election ... and he became the first president to have four consec ... consecutive terms in office as President . Or was it just .. uh . . after three they said "No", you may not run or anything and that was .. uh ... maybe just they had ... followed in a way because George Washington had done that .. uh ... he said no, he would'nt have it again
- WW Yes, I see . .. um do you remember the 1940 election?
- HM ... well .. I think of Landon right off
- WW 1940?

- HM that would be ' 39 . 1940 would not be election year ... and .. uh no, I can't say I remember it
- WW But you remember the 1936 election ?
- HM 1936 yeah .. yes ... that was the second term .. uh .. time that Roosevelt run he was elected in .. uh .. got into office in 1932

- WW Yes, and who did he run against in 1932?
- HM Coolidge ?
- WW Coolidge ?
- HM He was president at the time Calvin Coolidge .
- WW In 1932?
- HM In 1932.
- (End of Side One Channel Two. Pause to turn tape over)

Side Two Channel One.

- WW OK. What were we talking about just now?
- HM Well the election 1 think of .. right off of .. uh ... uh ... well. .. that .. uh ...Roosevelt had in 1932 (???) in office then ... and because he was in office before that, after the Stock Market Crash.
- WW Who was ?
- HM Roosevelt.
- WW Roosevelt.
- HM He got so I think ... uh ... more ... a ... uh .. well of course WPA
- WW Yes .. well ... I see. Tell me, do you remember what happened er ... December 7 1941
- HM Right when you said December 7th I thought of Pearl Harbour right off.
- WW You did do you remember that?
- 42.00
- HM Well. ... it happened on a Sunday ... and .. uh we were thankful in a way that it happened .. that .. that .. a cousin of mine was not in port then .
- WW Yes ... In port where?

HM Pearl Harbour .

WW ... He was in the Navy ?

HM He was in the Navy Tom Brennan ..

WW Yes ...

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- HM ... that's his full name because .. uh ... well ... well ... his ship was'nt there, naturally could'nt be .. uh .. destroyed or anything. He was'nt in port or anything like that ... he could'nt be hurt or probably killed.
- WW Sure ... yes. Do you remember how you heard about Pearl Harbour, where you were ?
- HM ... uh ... I think of a car right off ... an automobile ... and going down, going on a

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picnic and I have the argument with myself right there .. uh .. whether it was down to Hurd (sp.?) Park on the Connecticut river ... or if it was down to Rocky Neck

- WW Yes, where were you living at the time?
- HM Well ... we were living in .. uh .. Hartford, Conneticut ... uh I think it

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Franklin Avenue and the house that we lived in, the upstairs and the downstairs we lived in both and ... one was 36, that's upstairs and the 38 was downs--tairs and I'm trying to remember just .. uh .. the ... uh .. which part I was living in at the time ...

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- HM Um ..? .. you said that were talking about it ...
- WW Yes .. what were we talking about just before I asked you about the house? on Franklin avenue.
- HM ... about Pearl Harbour, and where I was at the time what I remembered about it

WW What did you say ?

HM well .. about my cousin not being in the port ... at the time because he was in the Navy and his ship naturally was'nt in there .. in port to .. uh .. get

WW I see .. but .. um Well, what were we talking about just before that?

destroyed .. or he was'nt getting hurt and .. just the hearing about it, because we were going on a picnic down to Hurd Park and just hearing it that way being .. uh... well ... thankful that he was'nt in port.

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- WW Of course, yes So you were going for a picnic when you heard about Pearl Harbour ?
- HM Going on a pic ... that Sunday, going on a picnic.
- WW And how did you hear ?
- HM And .. uh .. we heard about it first .. uh .. by radio
- WW Which radio was this?
- HM This was at .. uh .. home.
- WW Before you left?

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- HM No, it was'nt before that we heard on the radio at home.... some people coming down heard it on their radio in their car and told us while we were there...
- WW I see
- HM ... and come to our .. uh ... attention right there of course.
- WW When you'd reached the place where you had the picnic ?
- HM Where ... we'd reached the place having the picnic Hurd Park.
- WW So, what happened when you heard? ... What did you think?
- HM Well ... just .. uh ... we wondered .. and .. we continued with eating and everything and then .. well, we came home earlier.

- WW I seewhat did you think ... what did you think when you heard ?
- HM Well we were still ... we were wondering about, well .. my cousin, being in the Service ... and wondering if he was ... if his ship was in port at that time and if he was ... if the ship was there ... he might have been ... and if he was .. hurt
 ... wanted to get that straight ... you(?) see(?) .. to see what, to find out in a way what ships were ... ruined .. uh .. destroyed

- WW Yes, of course um .. do you remember VE-Day ?
- HM Um no, I can't say I remember that that was the time when ... SecondWorld War ... the end ... and that was, VE-Day was the ... stoppage of the war in a way
- WW The stop of the whole of the war or part of the war?
- 47.00
- HM It was the stop of the part of the war ... because there was still uh .. the Japanese,,, we had a little fighting then, in the Pacific but they were over in the .. uh ... Nazis were over in Europe and we were all helping over there to other nations, in a way .. uh .. getting stuff besides furnishing our own men

too and ... when we got ... we were .. course .. uh .. the Pearl Harbour ... we got into it ... more fully we were .. it was mostly ... uh .. you see, an undeclared war that we had fought before Pearl Harbour.

- WW You don't remember anything specific about VE-Day ?
- HM well it was on a Sunday ... that's all I re ...
- WW VE-Day?
- HM VE-Day.
- WW Uh-huh ... What about VJ-Day ?
- HM I don't remember that

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WW yes that was the end of the war.

- HM ...Japanese .. end ... well I(?) mean (??) the end in .. uh .. peacetime ... peace came then.
- WW Yes, I see ... yes. Do you know what you were doing at the end of the war?
- HM well, I can't put my finger exactly on it
- WW Do you remember Roosevelt's death?
- HM assassinated ...
- WW Roosevelt?

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HM I think of .. Roosevelt ... being assassinated ... and ... 1 think of 4th term ...Roosevelt ... also and as I ... speak of that I thought of .. uh ... that he ran

	against one of the opponents he ran against uh was Landon.
WW	Yes that when was that?
HM	and there I have an argument with myself I think of the second or the
	third.
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WW	Yes who did he run against in the 1940 election, do you remember ?
HM	well
WW	Who who was 1940 - I can't remember myself! (PB: Wilkie (quietly))
49.30	
HM	And uh 1940 well uh that was his third term, was'nt it ?
WW	Yes.
HM	And he was uh broke well, he was the first President to run
WW	Yes, but who did he run against in 1940?
HM	I think of Landon right off
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WW	I think it was somebody else Wilkie?
HM	the lawyer that was from the Midwest.
WW	Did he run against Roosevelt?
HM	Yes, he ran against Roo Roosevelt.
HH	What year was that?
HM	Well, that would have been 1940 ?
WW	And when was Landon?
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HM	uh well that'd be 4 years later, '44 uh
	because well 4 years earlier.
WW	Well yes
HM	because one of them went I know because Roosevelt of course ran the
	extra term that was what he was noted for he was the first one,,
	first president ever to believe it was uh his third term.
WW	I see. Now, what do you remember about
HM	He also went for a fourth.

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WW	Did he win a fourth ?
HM	I believe he won a fourth term.
WW	Do you know who he ran against ? in 19 what year was that ?
HM	well I don't remember the year
WW	Do you do you remember Roosevelt's death?
HM	Well, I think of an assassination right off and
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WW	Do you remember where he died?
HM	And I think just what I was going to say uh I when I thought of that
	assassination right off, I thought of New Orleans, Lousiana
WW	You think he was shot killed there ? Or he died there?
52.00	
HM	There died there in a way because uh it was in Atlanta
	he was shot Georgia
WW	Atlanta, Georgia?
	HM and uh just well it(?) was(?) a(?) he was moving there himself, down
to	
	Lousiana and someone got there got him shot him as he was getting off the
	train
WW	Shot him as he was getting off the train?
HM	That's what I think of right off
WW	Roosevelt?
HM	Yes, Roosevelt. He was getting off the train to make a speech I think
	of in New Orleans
52.30	
WW	I see Now, who do you think was President after Roosevelt ?
HM	well the uh naturally the Vice-President would be President after
	him but uh next elected one
WW	Who was the Vice-President who succeeded Roosevelt?
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- HM There I have an argument and ... in a way ... I say an argument because I can't think of a name at all .
- WW Do you remember who was the next elected President ?
- HM 1 think ... Landon was elect ... elected President.
- WW Landon?
- HM ... No, he was not ! He was appointed no ___(???) __(??) right off .. and .. uh

..... what's his name no, I can 't think of ... can't remember his name ...

.....

- WW So .. um .. how did Roosevelt die ?
- HM He was ... assassinated ... in a way he died afterwards .. uh .. got a bullet-wound and he died.
- WW Where was he assassinated, then ?

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- HM I think of Indiana right off but .. uh ... but town I cannot think of
- WW Who do you think succeeded Roosevelt?
- HM Well, the Vice-President would have succeeded him in a way .. (chuckles) ..
- WW But you don't remember which Vice-President?
- HM But I don't remember which, or his name.
- WW You think it might have been Wilkie ? Oh, sorry, yes, do smoke.

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(Pause for HM to extricate cigarettes, light one, etc)

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WW Well, what were we talking about a minute ago ?
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HM ... Well I think of ... right off of .. uh .. the assassination and down in Louisiana.

- WW Of who ?
- HM Of Roosevelt.
- WW Do you know who ... who was the ... who assassinated him ?
- HM No, can't say definitely but they do know his name um I thought of ... of Black and then I'm .. uh really stopped ..

WW A black person, or the name 'Black'?

55.30

HM No, it started with Black and continued on ... more letters and, but I cannot .. ____(??) ___(??) just what ... and .. the what it is ...

WW Blackman?

HM um that is one of the things I thought of ... is it Blackman or Black--mere (?) and there ... was the argument I have with that last letter.

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- WW Yes, well, let's leave that .. um you don't .. do you remember who was President after Roosevelt was ?
- HM well, the Vice-President, of course that take his office .. take ..uh because of Roosevelt being assassinated.
- WW But you don't know what his name was ?

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HMNo, I don't.

WW Do you know when Roosevelt died?

- HM well, the first thing that came right of my that I thought of was '56, 1956 that 's what I thought of right off, quick in a way, but uh .. first number in a way came to my mind.
- WW Yes, do you think that's the right number ?
- 57.00
- HM ... And I don't think it is because just .. uh ... the amount of what you could say.. uh.. quick addition in a way would .. give it more than .. less than that the President .. and then I have the argument with myself about the .. uh .. the term, is it six, or is it four years
- WW ... The Presidential term of office?
- 57.30
- HM Yes ... and ... if there was six years, it would have been during his third term ... so it'd been .. well ...would had ... about .. uh .. see .. ten .. say ...years that he'd been in office

WW	Well, you don't remember who was President after Roosevelt sorry, what were you
	going to say ?
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HM	Uh the Vice-president took over, naturally, after him being slain uh but
	his name I cannot remember
WW	Would it have been Landon ?
HM	it sounds like someone, it sounds something like it but I know(??) in a way
	it also sounds like uh uh someone that he ran against in an election.
WW	Landon does ?
HM	Yesand lost the election.
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WW	What about Wilkie ? was he Vice President ?
HM	No, he wasn't Vice-President either because he was also someone he ran again
WW	What about Truman?
HM	Truman I believe came after Eisenhower that's what I think of.
WW	When was Eisenhower ?
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HM	uh see uh 1956
WW	Do you remember who he ran against ?
HM	No.
WW	Do you remember the 1956 election ? Was that Eisenhower's first term ?
HM	Yes, I believe it was.
WW	So when did who came after Eisenhower ?
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HM	don't know, can't think of a name or anything that could associate with it
PB	What about Dewey ?
HM	Uh I think of Dewey as uh but he was a governor of New York that ran
	against uh Roosevelt in an election.
PB	Did he win ?
HM	And he lost the election he had was uh 1936

PB Did he ever run again ?

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- HM ... No, he did not I(?) think(??) .. well I believe he did ... run againbecause he was the governor of New York State.
- PB Who was it that became President after Roosevelt ?

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- HM well uh ... Eisenhower ..
- PB When Roosevelt died ?
- HM When Roosevelt died...they had to put him in and he was .. uh .. reelected to office too ... two terms.
- PB And how did Roosevelt die ?
- HM He was assassinated....
- PB Where?
- HM In ... MidWest around .. in Ohio ..
- PB Who became President ?

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- HM I think of .. uh ... Landon I .. think of Landon ... or was that a candidate he ran against ?
- WW ... Have you ever heard of somebody called Kennedy?

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HM ... well Kennedy .. uh ... President of the United States ... and well think of him as a tall man .. thin man.

WW Thin man ?

- HM Yes and .. don't remember .. uh .. just .. he held an office before that that was in the government also.
- WW Yes Kennedy did ?
- HM Kennedy did.
- WW Do you remember what his first name was?
- HM Thought of Robert right off.

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WW Uh-huh is he still alive ?

- HM No, he was assassinated.
- WW He was assassinated ?
- HM He was assassinated.
- WW Who ... who was?
- HM I think Kennedy was assassinated did I ? that's what that ... that's what I thought of right off.
- WW Yes. Do you know where he was assassinated ?

- HM ... uh... Some place in Ohio ... in the state of Ohio.
- WW You don't remember which town?
- HM The town no I believe he was on a train ... and ... was just getting .. got on the train and was bidding goodbye to the people the town he was in...and the assassin .. shot him.
- WW He was shot?
- HM I believe he was shot.
- WW Where abouts in the body was he shot?
- 63.00
- HM Um ? I think of the stomach area ... um they were trying to get in the heart, but it went lower, went to the stomach area and it was ... it was several days before he died.
- WW Who was this?
- HM think of Kennedy right off ... that was assassinated in a way...
- WW And do you know who was president after him ?

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- HM No ... don't can't think of one ...
- WW Johnson?
- HM the name Johnson I know was president but I ... yes he was I believe after him then he was reelected ... to office.
- WW When was that ?

- HM Um I can't put my finger on the date ..
- WW Was that a long time ago?

- HM Yes, it was, I'd say in the 60's .. late 60's.
- WW Uh-huh ... that was who ?
- HM Which one ? ... (laughs) ... see ... well ... which one was shot or which one was elected ?
- WW Which one was elected.
- HM I thought of ... the word Kennedy come right up like that.
- WW Kennedy was elected?

- HM Kennedy was elected.
- WW Then he was shot?
- HM Then he was shot.
- WW Where was he shot?
- HM In Ohio, and of course in the body.
- WW Yes ... that's right ... and who came after him ?
- HM I think of Johnson, the Vice President going into the office.
- WW Do you remember what his first name was?
- HM No, I don't not the first name.

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- WW And he was re-elected, was he?
- HM Believe he was by a slim margin.

WW Against who?

- HM um ... I don't know
- WW Is he still president, Johnson?
- HM I don't know, to tell you the truth I don't really know right now who is President.
- 65.30
- WW Um do you remember anything about the Korean War ?
- HM Well ... the Korean War ... believe ... it .. uh .. started naturally .. after the .. uh .. Japanese had bombed Pearl Harbor
- WW The Korean War?
- HM That's what I think of, and it was in Korea ... that we had sent men over to help ... stop the war .. uh ... aggression and everything that was being made there

WW Against who .. who was the ..?

HM I ... I think .. I think the Japanese were moving in from China....and then I have an arg a ... a reservation of the Russians trying to move in um ... there's the mental reservation I have right there.

WW About what year do you think this was, the Korean war?

HM I think of '57 right off.

WW Uh-huh .. do you think that's right ?

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- HM and I I don't know because I think of .. because of .. '56 comes in there that's why I can't tell if it's definitely right
- WW Yes ... um do you know what a sputnick is ?

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HM Well, that's a rocket ... that is used .. uh ... that .. uh .. they say ... that .. to send a Sputnick over here ... they're going to ... someone is going to try and send a sputnick here,. To bomb or blast the place,. here.

WW What is a sputnick then?

- HM It's a rocket then .. a rocket-bomb ... radio-controlled ...
- WW What sort of bomb is that?

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HM It would be atomic and .. uh .. because just need one and it would ... cover the area yes .. that's what I think of and .. uh ... being covering the area then it would be ... then people of course would be annihilated right in that area and any of the ... mills or factories would be destroyed ...

WW By the Sputnicks ?

- HM By the Sputnicks.
- WW Um do you remember the first atomic bombs, that were dropped?
- HM On Nagasaki?
- WW Yes ..
- HM ... the first ... uh ... that were dropped ... uh in the war.
- WW There was another one, there were two places.

HM	Well the first ones, the test ones but uh the first one that was of course					
	Nagasaki to bomb a place, to use but the others were just tests.					
WW	Where were they ?					
HM	Uh in the Pacific some island in the Pacific that they used to test them on					
	and can't remember the name off hand					
68.30						
WW	Bikini ?					
HM	Oh I can think of a couple of things besides that (laughs) see uh it was th					
	bikini I'd always think of uh the kind of um flyer in a way Japanese flyer					
	or definitely control that would go to a place to and get there and to					
	explode himself and destroy whatever he can get to and then I think of the					
	bathing suit (laughs)					
69.00						
WW	You think of the bathing suit called bikini ?					
HM	Yes.					
WW	Uh-huh and you also think of it was a Japanese suicide pilot?					
HM	Yes.					
WW	And that was called bikini?					
HM	well then the I as you said it right then had a mental reser					
	something said "no", an island, in the Pacific					
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WW	Yes, and what happened on it, why was it famous ?					
HM	Just uh well it was used to test the atomic bomb.					
WW	Who by ?					
HM	The US.					
WW	What happened to Nagasaki?					
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HM	uh that was the bomb and destroyed the it was uh of course a					
	Japanese plane and naval installation or if you want to call it that way uh that					

was the atomic bomb that was on that the first one.

- WW Do you remember hearing about that when it first happened, when the first bombs were dropped on Japan?
- HM can't say that I do it was on a Sunday that it happened that they dropped the first bomb like that ... the atomic bomb ... least it was over here ... Sunday

and .. because of the people .. uh .. were surprised in a way because they heard about it via .. via the radio ... that it had been dropped and some of them were going to church at the time ... and startling that whole places .. whole town of everything had gone and ... was really ... they wondered themselves ... if it couldn't be turned

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around and used ... say against them ... and .. there was .. had that mental reservation right there

WW Who was President at that time ?

HMThe President ?

WW Yes.

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HM Uh there I have an argument with myself .. and ... I the because Landon ..
no, it wasn't Landon .. at all ... and .. but and it wasn't Eisenhower, because he was a general in the army and the other man, I can't figure his name and because I believe he was from Missouri that's what I

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think of right off.

- WW You think the President was from Missouri?
- HM I think he was
- WW but you don't remember his name ?
- HM ... No no, I don't remember his name ... can't think of the name now.
- WW And .. uh ... he came after which President ?

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HM uh I think of him coming right after Roosevelt being ... uh .. shot.

WW Roosevelt was shot?

HM Yes, I believe in New Orleans.

- WW In New Orleans where was he shot what where the circumstances of his being Shot ?
- HM Well, he was .. uh .. he was at a gathering outside and ... uh ... unexpected .. uh .. thing naturally .. uh .. but .. him being assassinated by this man ... and the man

moved up because he was going to make a just an ordinary speech .. uh Roosevelt was ... and .. to the people that were there and then he was assassinated as he just ... went up to the podium to .. talk ...

- WW Where was he shot ... what part of the body was he shot ?
- HM Well I have an argument with myself right there as you ask that question

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was it the left of the right side of his body because the bullet penetrated him ... in a way that it ... could not get vital organs in a way and it just ... tipped them a little .. in a way and he wasn't slain instantly ... because he had .. uh .. there was time before he succumbed ... to it.

- WW I see, and which President was this ?
- HM That was Roosevelt Franklin Roosevelt

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- WW Do you remember his first election right ?
- HM 1932?
- WW Yes.
- HM ... Um I think of tha .. that ...'32, right off in a way ... I don't remember his election but ... uh the Stock Market had crashed in 1929 and there was banks

74.30

that had closed.....I know .. because my mother and dad had money in the bank and they....failed right off .. the Stock Market Crash and they lost their money that was in the bank....

- WW Do you remember that personally ?
- HM Well know(?) .. I don't know how you say personally uh ... it'd be meanbut .. uh .. hearing about it and .. uh .. understanding that it was them ... so naturally it would affect me.

- WW Yes, of course. Do you remember anything else happening in 1929?
- HM um well no
- WW Who was President yes ?
- HM The Stock Market of course that I mentioned that I think before.....it crashed.
- WW Who was President then ?
- HM I think of Coolidge right off
- WW Uh-huh ... he was President in 1929 ?

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- HM I think of that .. him right off ... and....I have a mental reservation right there...about him...I think he was President but I know he ran against....Roosevelt.
- WW He did run...?
- HM Yes...and Roosevelt beat him.
- WW In nineteen thirty.....?
- HM '32...1932.
- WW You don't remember any expeditions in 1929?
- 76.00
- HM And...as you said exposition 1929 .. uh .. Byrd.
- WW Ah...what was that ?
- HM Made a...Polar exposition .. expedition...and a...was a...well .. South Pole...that he stayed at.....and I don't remember if it was for...three months or a year...I know there was another man too, they settled at a certain spot....themselves and they erected themselves.....
- 76.30
- WW ... um Do you remember something called a Sputnick?
- HM well, I think of that as a rocket-bomb...that it could be used against us.

WW Who by ?

- HM Uh...the Russians I think of right off.
- WW ...Do you remember any leaders of the...Russia ?
- HM ... Well...they had one ... uh...I think of Stalin, the dictator...they had and that was

one(??) of them and .. but before him...when they were first starting I think of..

77.30

I don't know...if he was a...a leader or not...I think he was...uh .. Lenin ...

WW That's right.

HM Gustav Lenin.

- WW That as much earlier wasn't it ?
- HM Um ?that was .. uh...earlier than Stalin.....because see...he sort of set the way for Stalin in a way to get in....
- WW Yes...is Stalin still in power?
- HM I don't know and as you ask that question I said "don't know", I thought of ... him being shot.....

WW Stalin was shot?

78.00

HMI think of someone assassinating him as he was making a speech....

WW Where .. where do you think that happened?

HMWell .. out(??) in(?) ... I think of .. uh .. Russia right off...somewhere on....the border of Russia....and...I have an argument with myself right there...of .. of of

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someone coming over from, if it's .. uh .. well .. say...China and that way, coming in that way...to assassinate him or coming the other way, but it was a European, I believe...and I can't think...uh .. I have an argument with myself of .. uh .. three countries in a way French, German, and Spanish.....

- WW Yes...You think one of them...?
- HM ... Uh...I said Spanish and it's not Spanish, Swedish.....

79.00

WW You think somebody from one of those countries assassinated Stalin ?

HMThat's what I think it was.

WW You don't know about what year this was?

HM .. No, I don't.....

- WWYou don't remember any other Russian leaders ?
- HMWell, before him...

WW After Stalin.

79.30

HM Oh, after....uh......can't think of his name.....in a way it...name that begins with M....

WW M.

- HM And,...I have an argument with myself though right there....or was it...an N....
- WW Would it have been Molotov ?
- HMWell I think of a Molotov cocktail right off....(chuckles)

80.00

- WW What's that ?
- HM Well that's .. uh...was used against tanks in a way ... uh .. they'd throw and break a bottle...and....burst into flames and it would be gasoline or something ... inflammable inside that would spread over the tank, so that people would go out....that(?) were in the tank.
- WW Where was that used ?

80.30

- HM And I think of starting to use it in a way......Europe.....to ... hit the German tanks...there were so many of them...primary thing they were attacking...
- WW I see.....Do you know who the leader of China is ?
- 81.00
- HM ...No....uh...I don't.....can't say I do know .. uh ... I don't know how to pronounce it in a way and..... (coughs) .. excuse me......uh...C-H-E-N-G..

WW Chiang...

HM ... Cheng......try to say it I guess....Cheng.....and then .. after I've spelled it and said it through...I thought of Shek.....or Chiang Kai Shek.

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WW That's right, Chiang Kai Shek, and he .. what is he?

HM Well, he'd be the...boss or the...of everyone that's over in...uh...well, let's say .. uh ..the Chinese...the Chinese themselves and boss of the people over in that area of China ..of well..China and that area of the Earth....primarily.

WW Of...mainland China?

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HM	Mainland China andof uh course IndochinaandMalaysia it's part of					
	Malaysia that he's gotandand umtried NorthChinagot part of North China					
	but the Russians got the other part					
WW	I see					
HM	what I think of.					
WW	Do you know anything about a war in Vietnam ?					
82.30						
HM	In a way I don'tknow theanything about it in a way but uh Americans					
	went over to help fight over there.					
WW	When was that ?					
HM	Inthe date I cannot give.					
WW	Yes went over to fight where?in Vietnam ?					
83.00						
HM	In Vietniam (sic)was the and I think of uh the uh people that uh are					
	to free the people that are there that have been held down themselvesby a in					
	agovernmental things toothe people can't say or buy or even do what they want to					
	dothey have to do justwhat the person says.					
WW	Which person says?					
HM	andI think of Shek right off					
WW	Shek ?					
HM	Chiang Kai Shek.					
83.30						
WW	Chiang Kai Shek.					
HM	That's rightChiang Kai Shek					
WW	You think the Americans are fighting against him in Vietnam?					
HM	and uh Vietnam is uh not uh part of uh well it'sin Asia but					
	not part of China.					
WW	No, that's right					
84.00						
HM	And uh I believe he uh uh I believe the Americans are fighting against the					

Soviet Union....

WW Where?

- HM In Chiang Kai Shek .. uh ... not Chiang Kai Shek but the .. uh .. well... Vietnam
- WW Uh-huh .. right.....um....How are you feeling?tired?

84.30

- HM Well....I'm just wondering myself ... now .. well when you fellows are taking this all down of course on tape....but I'm wondering just how it will be....
- WW How do you mean, "how it will be"?
- HM Well...just how I have spoken, how I sound, and what my answers are ... and .. uh ... a a big question mark right there.....
- WW Your answers are very helpful, very helpful indeed.
- HM They are....I hope so....
- WW But are you beginning to feel tired perhaps.....?
- HM Um?
- WW Are you ... are you at all tired? We've asked you a lot of questions.

85.00

- HM No, I'm not tired.
- WW Do you know what the time is ?
- HM Well, by this it says...twenty minutes of four.
- WW Ah.....well, what have you...what have we been asking you questions about ?
- HM Well about the war, Chiang Kai Shek ... the war .. China...

WW Before that ?

- 85.30
- HM And Indochina...and... about us.. uh .. helping out .. out .. uh .. the Russians too I think of ... and I guess the .. the Germans and that.....
- WW Well, that's .. that's right .. that's fine .. um .. do you remember my name ?
- HM Sorry, I don't.
- WW Ah....does it...do you know what letter it begins with ?
- HMNo .. the letter .. I don't ..
- WW W.
- HM Well...when it begins with W...I think of Walter right off.

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WW	Uh W-I.			
HM	And that can be Wilt.			
WW	W-I-L.			
HM	Still Wilt.			
WW	S.			
HM	Wilson.			
WW	That's right. Do you remember this gentleman's name?			
HM	NoDoctorbutI don't know the name.			
WW	Dr Bryden.			
86.30				
HM	Bryden and is that B-R-Y			
PB	That's right.			
HM	D-A-N.			
PB	D-E-N.			
HM	Oh, D-E-N see I uh it's uh funny that I I was just trying to spell it to			
	myself I I can imaginelet's see not remembering it in a way uh			
87.00				
	but hearing it and trying to spell it then naturally I'd think I'd get it wrong I hope I			
	would get it right I wanted to get it right			
WW	Now, Henry, I want to ask you another question I want you to try to go back, in your			
	memory, as far as you can, as far as you can, and try to tell me what you think is your			
	very first earliest childhood memory the memory you think			
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	which comes earlier than any other			
HM	Well I think of Burnside Avenue in E. Hartfordandliving in a			
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	house twice two different times and going to a a kindergarten that was uh			
	quite a uh long ways down the street from where I first livedfirst went to			
	kindergartenwhen I went to high school, though, it was justtwo houses up from			
	where I livedand I lived in Burnside avenue then.			

WW When you went to high school?

HM When I went to high school and .. but I'd lived in other places besides..

WW But the first thing you remember is?

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HM ...Well .. uh ... Burnside Avenue....would be going to the....the .. uh....and .. I have an argument with myself right there .. my grandfather....in....coming to...Burnside avenue....in .. and .. and sleeping...in the place that he slept in ... well I'd naturally sleep .. I'd sleep in when he wasn't there...but if he did, he'd have to

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cover the whole spot himself and I could not sleep in the room or anything...

- WW So where did you sleep?
- HM And... I think of .. uh couch .. or ... uh ... sofa or something that was in the front room.
- WW In the front room. And your grandfather slept in your room?
- HMAnd .. uh .. would be...when he first took over...and was then....when afterwards

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he wanted the ... uh...when it got .. he could go out in .. the porch and I could sleep in the porch .. I'd sleep in the porch, he wanted to sleep in the porch and we'd sort of have to trade back and forth...then.....which .. er .. one night he'd sleep there and...the next night I would possibly, or he'd probably want it two ways .. uh .. three nights....but I had to sleep in the other place in his room.

WW Do you remember falling off a bicycle when you were ... seven, or eight, or nine, and hurting your head ?

- HM Well..... I didn't fall off a bicycle.... I hurt my head when I .. I.... when I .. when you say it that way....a bicycle and hurt head ... I think of...getting hit by a bicycle....and .. uh .. just before the 4th of July and everybody had...because we went up to .. uh .. Springfield then .. on .. the fourth.... and .. uh .. wondering .. uh .. if
- **90.30** possibly that I'd got too close to a fire-cracker and one going off and my eye all bandaged up and...everything... and there were .. people were wondering then... and asking... possibly... asking my mother .. and dad .. questions about it.

- WW And that happened because you ..?
- HM Because I was hit by a bicycle.
- WW Do you remember actually being hit by the bicycle ?
- HM Well...
- WW How it happened ?
- HM I was coming home from Colts (sp?) Park...
- WW You were ..?

HM I was...and...

WW You were walking?

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HM I was walking .. and I was starting to cross the street....in Colts Park.....the end of the playground...and someone came coasting down the hill on a bicycle and hit me....and it was .. uh .. from the .. where all the....swings and everything were...because then I went across the street and it took a short-cut through...another

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.. uh ... sidewalk .. went through .. uh ... an area to another street....instead of walking out the front of the.....place....I'd have to .. uh .. cross a street anyhow to get on sidewalk.....to walk ...

- WW Where did you live then ?
- HM Uh .. I think of .. uh .. Hartford
- WW Yes ... do you know which street?

HM I think of Main street.

WW Main street, Hartford ?

HM Yes, I think of Main street Hartford.

WW What number ?

- HM Um.... the number... I think of 97 right off.
- 92.00
- WW Right ... but you were hit in the bicycle hit you right ?
- HM Yes .. I was, as I was crossing the street.
- WW And what happened then? Did you lose... were you knocked out?

HM	I hadabout eightsevenseven or eight stitches taken in my eye or not in my eye					
	but in my eyebrowin the hospital then and that was before the 4 th and everyof					
	course uh the way my eyes looked afterwards on the 4 th					
92.30						
	and everybody thought the firecracker had gone off and possible had done it and					
	because I was hit by a bicycle.					
WW	And how old were you then?					
HM	There about I think of 7 or 8 right off and then I'm thinking "no", I was					
	older than that I must have been older than that because uh I was nearer to 9,					
	I think					
WW	Where were you going to school then?					
93.00						
HM	Then I think of uh St Peter's Parochial School.					
WW	What grade were you in, when you were hit by the bicycle?					
HM	Um there I have an argument with myself between the second and third grade					
93.30						
	I'm (??) trying(??) to think of two (two?) but it wasn't uh you weren't					
	going to school during that time, because it was during the summer vacation.					
WW	Which grade do you think you'd just finished?					
HM	$\ldots\ldots$ I I think of the second or third and \ldots as I said that I thought of 4^{th} $\ldots\ldots$ so it					
	might have been that I was going to a grade 4 th grade or I was going into the third					
	grade					
94.00						
WW	Right do you remember when your first started having seizures?					
HM	Well the small ones, the petit mal I don't remember the first having of					
	those but the way I I remember the first grand mal seizure that I					
94.30						
	had, which was uh quite a few years later and that I well had it when I					
	was it was on the 4 th too no, it wasn't on the 4 th but we were going out that day,					

I was living on Franklin Avenue.... I fell down the stairs.... right there at .. well, the porch steps, as you'd call it, the stairs and .. uh ..

.. that .. uh ... a .. then I have a reservation right there.... it wasn't then, the first grand mal seizure... that I had, was on my .. uh .. 15^{th} birthday

WW What .. when was that?

HM And we were dr .. driving in from South Coventry, Connecticut, to Hartford Connecticut and I have the grand mal seizure in the car.... my father was driving

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....and I have... I think that I was in the back seat..... but I have a... a mental reservation right there..... of being... that I might have been in the... front... the mental reservation is that I might have been in the back seat then that way... when I had it, then fallen forward in a way... it didn't... disturb Daddy... could (??) keep(??) driving and then I think again that I was sitting in the front seat, that

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I did fall forward, of course hit my .. head ... or something like that, then ... collapsed right there .. and .. but ... Daddy was .. he was .. uh .. he was going slow .. at the time that's ... uh what I think of.

WW Were you in school then?

HM No I it was vacation time.

WW Ah.... but had you being going to school just before the vacation ?

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HM Well....

WW When is your birthday ?

HM February 26th.

WW So.... would that have been....

HM In 1926, the year...

- WW So would you have been having a vacation in February ?
- HM Uh.... I'm thinking of a ... time that was given off .. because of the holiday

WW Oh I see, a brief holiday.

HM Yes.

WW But you were in school?

HM Well, I was in school, yes.

WW Which school was that ?

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- HM yes(??) I have a mental reservation right there about ... uh .. maybe I was not in school, that I had gotten through school... or not finished school but... quit school..... because the mental reservation... but .. I think .. because of being a holiday..... something like that... that day I could go... in with Dad and mother.... I think of Wyndham High School....
- WW Where was that ?

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- HM In Willimantic Connecticut... and we lived in South Coventry.... and I was the last one... on the school bus, the first one off of course.... but .. uh ... that's how I got to Willimantic to Wyndham High, by school bus...
- WW And after you started having grand mal seizures, did you still go to school?
- HM Well .. the petit mal seizures, yes.
- WW But the grand mal ..?
- HM Oh .. the grand mal ... yes ... went ... and then quit school... I went for .. to work....

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well " when I got through working ... I .. went back .. I went back to .. and finished high school.

- WW Yes ... where ?
- HM In E. Hartford, in E. Hartford High.
- WW But .. but the siezures didn't stop you going to school?
- HM Well, they didn't stop me in a way then, because, well I was going to have them I was going to have them... and it wasn't any.... school bus or anything that I had
- 98.30

to get... worry about then to get on.... and... the .. bus that I got on ... well .. it would be other people there, other adults that could handle me and I wouldn't scare the children ... if it was a school-bus it would be all children in a way and it would scare them.... and they could be rambunctious in a way on the school bus and get.... possibly cause the driver... because he was the only one...the adult that I believe was on the bus...that he could .. uh... couldn't control me

having the seizure.... (???) the children.... so it was... uh... was .. I was living on Burnside avenue... and... I went... quit school before that of course but.... then(?) I went back.... to High school ...

WW But the seizures didn't stop you having a full-time job?

- HM No, I don't think they did... in one way, and they did in another way..... because what I wanted to be in, I couldn't.... what I'd .. I'd learned a trade... I couldn't be in it.
- WW What was the trade ?
- 99.30
- HM Electric motors.... and you couldn't .. uh .. have a small petit mal seizure .. when you're rewinding an electric motor because.... the wire could just.... that little 20 seconds that you're having it... because you're rewinding a motor... and that .. just... take the .. uh... insulation right off of it and .. uh .. have to rewind .. start rewinding .. not start... completely .. but have to... take that coil right out and put another one in.... rewind another coil in there... and where you're joining

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it ... uh ... would have to be outside... of that pole ... always figured it outside the pole... that you... make .. and if you were going on, say .. there was four coils being... there ... you could put an extra one in or ex maybe leave some out too..... and besides scraping the wire.... you might scrape the wire.....

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WW But.... So what other jobs did you do ? which .. where it didn't matter so much.

HM I think of assembly of typewriters.....

WW Yes...on an assembly line ?

- HM Yes, it was an assembly line... in the middle of it.....
- WW So what happened if you had a petit mal there ?

HM And...well .. because we each had a certain thing to do...and...after we

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finished doing it we pushed the motor .. uh...the typewriter ahead for the next person to do their job....and..the idea is to get them all done...and...well the being in the middle of the line, you might say....you wouldn't want them to build up behind you because it

would block the man behind you from working on his...the motors that he had completed....

WW Yes...I see,..Um....do you remember anything about going into hospital before you **101.30**

had the operation ?

HMOh....oh...going to the hospital ? ...I think of the Lahey Clinic, right off...and.... having a test up there...and..in the Hartford hospital having an...EEG there....several times

WW Before the operation ?

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- HM Before the operation...and..always in a way sort of interested in..uh..the...EEG..uh...because of..the..well, electrical way that it had itself...and just..the little things that it could pick up..and..it know(??)..and sort of trying to figure it out in your head in a way, just what it...was able to pick up this and..just the little things you gave off yourself...and you..it was able to follow
- **102.30** them...boy, it knew just when one stopped....or it faltered...in fact if it stopped, they naturally wouldn't give off....but...if it faltered...you'd see a little difference in the line...sort of being...monograms there...as they were coming through the machine.....
- WW ... Do you know what happened after the operation?
- HM No, I don't.
- WW How did it affect your memory, do you think?

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- HMWell, I don't remember...and....I really trying .. well .. I don't remember things.. er....past...
- WW You remember things from before the operation...quite well, don't you?
- HM yes...before that, yes (said in a whisper, almost in tears) ... I do remember

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them....in a way...was that..uh..was...the ...worrying part....and.....always the wondering...myself of...just how things are...and...well, not just the effect on me but others.....

WW How do you mean ?

HM Well...how it affects me, affects others...two ways.....my parents, affects them naturally....either way in a way as you could say...but the medical profession

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too...would be affected because...they .. would.. uh...find...probably that they maybe had done something a little different.....and.. just the correction they could make...themselves will help others.

WW Yes.. well, that's very important.. yes.

HM It is.. I...

WW .. As a matter of fact they have learnt that...yes.

HM They do have to, I...I think so myself.. that they do.. and it'd be very helpful..

WW Well, it has been, I'm sure.

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HM Yes.. well not alone just to .. to them...but to others....people..

WW Of course, well that's.. that's what they're there for.

HM That's what they're there for, yes, but the important thing is the other people....and the doctors too, how it helps them....because little things that they...learn themselves, they can pass on to others...and they can pass them, and collect it and group them, that way....

WW Well, I think we'll have to stop in a minute, Henry....um...do you know where we

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are, where you are at the moment?where do you think this place is?

HMI think of Lahey right off...

WW Lahey ? You think we're in the Lahey clinic ?

HM And...I have....yes, that's what I thought of right off...and then I have a mental reservation right there.....because I'm not sure, can't put my finger definitely on it...but I knew it's some hospital.. and.. whatever's being done....

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well.. to me, is good because it will not alone help me, help others, and that's the important thing.....

End of Second Session.

SESSION THREE

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Side II Channel II

(Before the recording started we had been talking about my (English) accent. Henry had said he had no difficulty understanding it because he was used to such an accent, his uncle having married an Englishwoman)

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WW Who did your aunt marry ?

HM My uncle.

WW Uh...when did they get married ?Before you were born ?

HM No, they weren't married before I was born, because I was at the wedding.....

WW Yes...uh...when do you think it was, how older were you then ?

HM Oh...let's see...seven at the most.

WW Seven at the most ?

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- HM No, no, correct this...correct myself right there.. it's seven.. uh.. I think it was nearer to nine.
- WW Ah. Where were you living at the time ?

HMManchester Connecticut.

WWAnd you had been living in Hartford and you moved to Manchester, is that right ?

HM Well....

WW Or was this the first house in Manchester ?

HM No, it wasn't the first house in Manchester.....uh...because I lived in several

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places in Manchester....in North and South Manchester...one place that we lived at.. uh.. what they call North Elm Street... uh ..

WW North Elm Street ?

HM North Elm Street.... and so I remember that in a way...as a....place that.. uh.. well the people that owned it lived downstairs and.. well they had a lot of kids....and..

WW What was their name?

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HMOh.....I can't think of it right now..

- WW Was it an Italian name?
- HM It was an Italian name....the man was from Ital.. Italy.. and so was she, I think.
- WW Anyway, this is in North Elm Street?
- HM That'd be down on North Elm...
- WW ...Yes..
- HM In 188(?)
- WW In Manchester?

- HM In Manchester....well, they'd call it.. uh.. North Manchester or South Manchester, that's the way they divided it up....the parts...but.. uh.. it was down in North Manchester...the part..
- WW And that's where you lived when you were born ?or later.. you lived there.. did you live there twice, is that right ?
- HM We lived there twice..yes.
- WW When was the first time ?
- HM I don't remember it because I was really small....I say really small.. I.. was just a baby.....and then afterwards then I...wasn't even going to school.
- WW The second time?

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- HM The second time.....and..was too young to go to school but I remember living there....
- WW How long did you live there, do you think?

HMI think about...2 years....

- WW ...And what...it was while you were living on North Elm Street...that...your sister got married ?
- HM I didn't have a sister, I don't have a brother or a sister.....

- WW That.. not your brother...your mother's...your aunt got married. No, your uncle got married to a girl from England.
- HM No.....then.. then.. I was living...in what they call South Manchester (chuckles)that's it...uh...one is North and one is South...and...
- WW Where had you been living before you moved to South Manchester ?

HMI don't remember.

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WW Do you think it was that house on North Elm Street ?

HMWell I lived in that house twice.

WW Yes, the second time, I mean.

- HMin...I think I....that's where I did move, yes, from North Elm to.. uh.. this.. uh.. place.. uh... the second....
- WW And when did you..um...

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- HM Or was it vice versa.... uh.. no, it must have been... the other way.... because from there, I(?) think(???) it(?) was(??), we moved to Hartford..... Connecticut.... from Manchester to Hartford..... and then.... I went to school there... and... graduated from grammar school there.... in.. uh.. first year high school.. down at Burr Junior High
- 04.30then...we moved from... uh.. Franklin Avenue... out to South Coventry..... in.uh..a. big house, single house.. uh.. that my mother and dad bought.... I think it was eleven rooms....

WW Big house !

- HM It was a big house.. because some of the.. rooms... uh... uh... that were that... real **05.00**
 - .. uh.. large in a way.. well, my bedroom... I think it was 17 feet...

WW That's enormous.

HM Yes... it is.. it had a fireplace in one end that was covered...... they covered it before... it wouldn't go... but I remember it had four windows in it...

WW Nice room....

- HM And two on one side, two on the other.. and my bed was set in.. well.. you'd say..uh.. it'd be the West wall.. of the room...
- WW Must have been a nice room.

HM It was...

WW Was it painted ?

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HMYes... it had been papered but painted...

WW What colour ?

HM Uh.. sort of.... uh.... dark red....

WWAll of it ?

HM I say.. I say dark red.. I don't mean a dark red... pinkish...

WW Ah... A bright pink?

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HM And not all of it.. uh..... because there was a wooden.. part to it... where there'd been a...a fireplace long ago, but I'd been closed up.... and.... that..naturally used or it wasn't....uh.. connected in any way the chimney or anything.

WW And where was this, this was in South Coventry ?

HM South Coventry, Connecticut.

WW And you must have been how old then ?

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- HM ...Well.... see.. uh... well I was in... did my second year of high school in Willimantic Connecticut... and started my third year... in Willimantic.... because I remember I quit school then.
- WW So you would have been how old? 10? 14? 18..?
- HM About 14.
- WW Had you started having seizures then.. or did.. the grand mal..?
- HM No, I hadn't.
- WW You.. you didn't have them in high school in Willimantic..... or did you ?

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- HM ...Yes... I did... I... just before we moved.. I had my first attack when we coming I...from South Coventry into Hartford... Connecticut... uh.... was on my birthday.
- WW Which birthday ?
- HM Fifteenth..... and.... had... well... Daddy was driving.. and I was in the front seat

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with dad and had it then.... first.. uh.. grand mal seizure....

- WW And you were... that was while... just before you moved from... South Coventry to...
- HM Well we lived in..... South Coventry for about.. two years then.
- WW Yes. This was towards the end of your time in South Coventry, right ?

- HM ...No, it wasn't.... no... because.... it.. uh.. when I quit school out there you see I was sixteen... because then... I.. uh.. quit school then... in the middle of my third year...
- WW Why was that ? Because of the seizures ?

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- HM ... Well because of the seizures was one thing and I... don't know, just quit school.
- WW Did you have any difficulties in school?
- HM And I went back to school afterwards....because after I'd moved back...(laughs)
- WW Tell me..... so... where did you start high school?
- HMWell, Burr Junior High, first year.

WW That was in Hartford ?

- HM In Hartford Connecticut.
- WW And can you remember any of the teachers there?

HMNo.. can't..

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WW Can you remember the school at all?

HM Well, it was on Wethersfield avenue.... and... the way it was set.. uh.. built.. uh.. it was a little back from the road, but then it dropped off in the back of it, in the middle of the building too, it dropped off... so that there.. big field in the

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back.... that they used for gymnasium stuff.... there was also a swimming pool in that place.

WW This was where?

- HM At Burr Junior High.
- WW Uh-huh.. But you don't remember any of the teachers?
- HM I don't remember the teachers.
- WW Do you remember any kids? who were there with you.
- HM Well, one I do remember... well.... because I know him very well in a way.. uh... that would be Harry Hamilton...
- WW Do you still know him?

- HM Yes..... and.... had mechanical drawing there.... and.. uh.. woodshop..... and the(????) lot(??) that remember of it...
- WW Do you remember who taught your mechanical drawing or woodshop?
- HMNo...
- WW But you had a friend there called Henry Hamilton?
- HM Yes...
- WW But he stayed there when you moved, right?
- HM Well he stayed in Hartford...

- WW But you saw him later?
- HM I saw him later, yes, because he went to Buckley High School..then..and...well after I'd moved ..we moved out to the country, out to South Coventry and I went to Wyndham High School (???)....and I went ..well ..half of my third year ..and I quit...in the middle of my junior year (chuckles)
- WW Do you remember anything about...about ...Wyndham high school?
- 11.00
- HMWell, it was ..uh....on a hill ..there was houses around it ..of course the school bus...came for us.. and....to take us home and to take us.....that would stop in front of the house and pick me up the last one...to get on and the first

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to get off..I was very glad...and......gee..uh..Willimantic...well..the school was set on the side of a hill, became there was..uh....let's say two streets...down below us...to a main street of Willimantic.

WW What about the school itself, what sort of building was it?

- HM Uh...sort of .. well .. oblong... uh .. three-story....and.....
- WW What was it made of?
- HM Made of brick....it was brick .. uh..as coating on the outside...and..uh..was trimmed...in white....that was...uh..some..cement..and they..so they had a design (12.30) or something in the roof parts...that was all.....

- WW Do you remember what your homeroom was like in, say, your..er..second year of high school there?
- HMWell it was on....I guess you'd....they say it's the second floor....I always thought it being as the third because...there was on....the basement was so

high and they had classrooms there...and we were on the top floor....and..uh..

WW Whereabouts on that floor? You were on the top floor?

HM Top floor.

WW Uh-huh, and whereabouts on the top floor?

HMAnd......I was at... well... say.. uh.. south-west... corner of the building...... and..... uh.... trying to remember right now just how the room went...to...

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faced ..

- WW Do you remember anything about the inside of the room ?
- HM Well, I know there was windows on one wall...and.. trying to figure just how it.. uh.. was faced in a way.. but.. uh... where my seat was...because.. was a corner room...and got windows on the.. well you'd say the back...and that's where...I was

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sitting near the back....of it...or had the.. uh.. first row...and it was near the back...but it was by a window....

- WW Yes...so you could look out of the window if you wanted?
- HM So I could look out of the window if I wanted to...and.. uh.. most of the time you wouldn't want to look out of the window because... well there wasn't a window... there was a.. wasn't a window behind me, it was beside me...
- WW Yes... what could you see out of that window?

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HM Well out of that window you could... well... trees in a way.. well... the area of the... uh.. west of the school.

WW Do you know who your homeroom teacher was?

HMNo...

WW Was it a man or a woman?

- HM Well...it was a woman.
- WW Do you know what she looked like?

- HMNo....because.. uh.... well that's at Wyndham High...because I was...uh.. second year.... in...then I quit school in the middle of my third... year at Wyndham, but for my first year of high school...I went to Burr Junior High...in Hartford Connecticut....
- WW And where were you living when you went to Burr Junior High?
- HM Uh....on Franklin Avenue.....36 Franklin avenue.....
- WWGo on....go on...

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- HM And... because it was the second floor..... we'd lived on 38 which was the.. in same house and the people that.. Whites(???).. had moved out and we moved upstairs.....
- WW You, you were talking about something else just before that.....

HM Well.. the school ?

WW Which school ?

- HM Well, Burr Junior High, down Wethersfield avenue.....
- WW Yes.. and?Well, I asked you about...whether you could remember any of the teachers in Wyndham High.....

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- HM Well(??)...some teachers in Wyndham, no.....
- WW Do you remember.. did you take.. er... what sort of courses did you...what subjects did you take in Wyndham High?
- HM Well, we had.. uh.. English naturally....if you call it naturally, and.. uh.....

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uh.....

- WW Did you do any mechanical drawing or...?
- HM No, mechanical drawing was just at Burr Junior High School.
- WW What about woodshop?
- HM ... er.. yes.. woodshop and had that.. uh.. uh.. also had that at Burr Junior High.
- WW Do you remember who taught your woodshop at Wyndham High?

HM ...No

WW Do you remember who the principal was?

HMNo, I don't.

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- WW ... Do you remember any friends you had there?Any kids in your class?
- HM ... Well.....well the year and half that I was there..... I don't remember full names..... but.... I... and... names at all.. of people, but I knew people there....

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WW Yes...did you know any girls ?

WW Do you remember what they looked like ?

HMWell....always think of the....one who was in the homeroom....uh.. that took the same bus that I did but lived further up in South Coventry....that I did....

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was the first one off the bus.. school-bus... which made it good (chuckles).....and it.. uh.....I don't remember her name.

- WW Do you remember what she looked like ?
- HMI think about...oh.. 5 foot...the tallest.... she was then....um.. brown hair.. um..

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- WW Long or short ?
- HM And.....there....medium....um....it wasn't long it wasn't short .. uh...

WW Shoulder-length?

- HM No, it wasn't down way down, it was halfway....
- WW Did you talk to her at all?
- HMGee...I don't remember talking to her...because I possibly had her.....

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because she.....not only... uh... school-bus or anything, but the roller-skating.... and.... think getting her as a partner in... when you're going round skating in couples...... gee....

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WW Well, what did you do after you quit school in... in Wyndham High ?

- HM Well.... after I quit school.... I was home for a while but then afterwards I went and worded in Hartford.....
- WW Yes.. while you were still living in South Coventry ?
- HM Well... yes, I was.. because then... there was another fellow then lived also in

South Coventry and his father or something would pick him up as his father was coming from work......see, there I have an argument with myself.....because just as I spa...started to speak I thought of...another place.... G.Fox and Company.. and.. uh... Stately Floors, because they were two places that I'd worked at

- WW And where were they?
- HM In Hartford Connecticut.

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- WW Did you have any job in.. Willimantic?
- HM ...Well...worked one summer there as an usher in a theater.
- WW Ah....Did you get to see a lot of movies then ?
- HM Yes...naturally you'd see them once....but you'd learn them...
- WW Do you remember what any of them were ?

HMNo, I don't.

WW Did you like movies ?

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HMWell.... I can't(??).. I can do with.. with and without them....

WW Who were your favorite stars? ... in those days....

HMAnd I think of cowboy stars right off.. ones.... in.. uh... there's.. uh.. Jones.... but I think he was.. he was killed.....

- WW Really, how did he die ?
- HM in.... Buck Jones....and that's one name.. and..... I think of a.. a train-wreck(?) in the.. Mid-west...
- WW .. Whereabouts ?
- HM ... Or an aeroplane...
- WW Yes.. Buck Jones ?

HM ... And... I can't place where the aeroplane crashed or anything.. like that.....

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WW Any other stars, cowboy stars or anything like that ?

HMWell.....I guess you could say just the...the regular stars that they.. they had there.

- WW You don't remember who they were ?
- HM Don't remember them...in their...to put it down for them...
- WW Yes.. did you listen to music when you where that age ?
- HM Well I listened to some music, I had music appreciation in high school....(laughs)
- WW What sort of music did you like ?

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- HM Well.... believe it or not.. I liked the long-hair music.
- WW Oh yes ?
- HM Uh-uh..
- WW Which kind of long-hair music?
- HM Well.. in a way, I used to play the records too that we got.. of the.. well... the.. orchestras they have, like in Philadelphia....and.. uh.. the big orchestras...that way.. the.. the...longhair stuff.....with the tens and the twelve inch record......(chuckles).

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- WW Any.. any particular composers....or any particular type of long-hair music ?
- HM Well, just as you said of composer I though "Kern" right off...
- WW Who?
- HM Kern.
- WW How do you spell that?
- HM K-E-R-N.
- WW Oh yes, I know...Jerome Kern?
- HM And that's what I was thinking of, I was trying to think of the first name and I couldn't.
- WW That's the guy you mean ?is it ?

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HMIt is and it isn't...

WW It might have been somebody else?

HM	It might have been somebody else	because I think of	. uh Jerome Kern as uh	
	playing in an orchestra.			

- WW What sort of music is this?I mean,...operas...symphonies...musicals..what ?
- HM I guess you could go the whole length, all of them.... I was'nt very.. I was'nt

particular... about... well there was.. uh.. I guess you could say the mid-Twenties that.. uh.. that kind of music I didn't care for at all.

- WW Jazz?
- HM Jazz...that kind.. I like the.. uh.. in a way...the symphony music....
- WW What about modern music, do you listen to that ?
- HM Yes, some of it is better, I think.
- WW Which kind of modern music ?
- HM Well....
- WW Music you hear nowadays.
- 24.30
- HM Well the music you hear nowadays is.. uh.....well...it's uh.. just does'nt... too.. uh... too much of a.. bounce to it.. you could say...they have now.. I liked that(?) more.. well.. the pieces that were...more serene....
- WW Uh-huh...what sort of...who...can you think of any particular singers of orchestras ?

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- HM Well.. right off as you said that, I thought of.. uh.. Dinah Shore.
- WW Oh.. yes..
- HM Right off (laughs).. and ... and .. for an orchestra leader.. Whitman..
- WW Uh-huh.. how do you spell that ?
- HM W-H-I-T-M-A-N.
- WW What sort of music does he play ?

- HM And he plays.. uh.. well... could say.. uh.... the popular music and yet.. uh.. medium popular.
- WW I see..

HM Not the.. uh.. the long-hair music.. uh.. stuff and not the.. uh.. jive stuff......some of that jive stuff has a very good tune to it, though.

WW Yes...yes..

HM It does...very well.....in fact that's what I like about the music mostly, because the...the tune.. and.. trying to figure the tune out as you hear it.. uh.. yourself.

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maybe.. maybe.. you hear the words... but... skip the words entirely and just listen to the tune.

WW Well, OK, now, going back to Willimantic..

HM Willimantic Connecticut.

- WW ... and you.. are you.. your first job was an usher in a theater in the summer and then you quit school....
- HM And then I quit school.
- WW And what job did you get then ?
- 26.30
- HM Well...it was.. uh.. it was working in a junkyard, but I.. uh.. stripping motors down...and things, to separate the...copper.. stuff from it, so that they could.. they would junk motors and stuff...and...make sure that all the.. uh... well the separation of the small metal, the small stuff...be separated.
- WW And what was the name of this place?
- HMUh....I think of Joe Coochi(????) right off.

- WW And that was after you quit school?
- HM And, that was before I quit school.
- WW That was a summer job, or a part time job?
- HM It was summer.. work...I started at it mostly and later I stayed right on.. decided I should stay there.
- WW Did you have any...did you have any other jobs in Willimantic?
- HM Well, unless there(??) was(?) the theatre...
- WW Yes.. but after that.
- HM But that was first.

WW Yes.. later, after.. after the junk yard.

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HMAnd...I think of....not in Willimantic...no.

WW What about Ace Electric Motors?

- HMThat's in Hartford Connecticut.
- WW That's in Hartford....uh-huh...
- HM ...You see....I don't remember the street it's on, to tell you the truth.
- WW When did you work there?

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- HM Ace Electric Motor? ...Well.....vell.....close to the Second World War end.. on. because I know one thing.....when we were stripping a motor that was burned out we'd save the copper. wire... naturally.. because it'd...we'd collect so much of it.. uh..
- WW This was'nt the junk-yard?
- HM No.. no....made sure that when we were.. rewinding an electric motor... the Ace

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Electric Motor Company.. and.. we'd have to.. count too and get your wire size......both kinds to start winding get that size, and how many count that is, and then you're running winding, how many count that is, and just where to start it... in the motor itself and so you know where your.. where you could start and finish.

WW I see. Now...you left school in Willimantic?

HM Yes.

- WW Then what did you do?
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- HM ...Well......remember working in the Stately Floors.
- WW Where was that?
- HM In Hartford Connecticut.
- WW And were you living in Hartford then?
- HM And.....yes.
- WW So you'd moved from Willimantic to Hartford?
- HM ... From South Coventry
- WW From South Coventry to Hartford.

HM To Hartford, yes...we had moved, yes.

WW Where to?

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HM And.. Congress Street, because we had put our furniture in storage.....and we lived in light housekeeping rooms..

- WW Why did you move in from South Coventry?
- HM Um?
- WW Why did you move in from South Coventry?
- HM Well....the house that we were living in we owned too.. the property, we sold it. and.. decided to move out of there and get to... into Hartford, where Daddy was

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working and.. for the gas and everything for him.. it(?) was(?) being(??)..

- WW So.. um.. you were living in Congress street.?
- HM Congress St.
- WW And working in Stately Floors?
- HM Stately Floors.
- WW What were you doing there?
- HM ...Well.. stock-clerk...
- WW Uh-huh...and how.. did you stay working there or go somewhere else?
- HMGee.. I was working in.. uh.. G.Fox and company too.
- WW Before you worked in Stately Floors or after?

- HM After... Stately...it was.. in...it was on... went to the shoe department... and stock clerk there.
- WW Where were you living?
- HM Living on Burnside avenue.
- WW So you'd moved from Congress Street?
- HM We'd moved from Congress street to Burnside avenue in E. Hartford.
- WW Uh....What number was that?
- HM Well, 509...Burnside avenue.
- WW And.. uh...what happened after G.Fox and Company? How long did you work there?

- HMI think it was.. two years...two and a half years.
- WW How long did you work in Stately Floors?
- HMAbout a year.
- WW And what did you do after working in Stately.. in G.Fox and Company?
- HM I think of Ace Electric Motor Company, rewinding electric motors that were burned out.
- WW And how long did you work there?

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- HM About three years.
- WW Uh-huh...and during that time you were living at 509...?
- HM Burnside Avenue.. and.. of course...when we...that was.. our residence then....because before that we'd lived on light housekeeping rooms.. uh.. we'd moved in from South Coventry... till we got the place on Burnside avenue.
- WW I see.. so how long were you in Congress street? Not very long?

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- HM No, was'nt very long...be two at the most...years...most...
- WW And.. er...after you stopped working at Ace Electric Motors, what did you do?
- HM Oh.. I think of the.. uh.. typewriters and...I have an argument with myself right there.... Royal or Underwood and I think it was the Underwood...

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- WW Yes.. did you go back to high school at any point?
- HM Well after I'd quit high school at Willimantic, and worked at Stately Floors, and had...I'd gone back...uh...when we'd moved from there to E. Hartford then.. I went back to.. school.....
- WW Did you have a job while you were in school?
- HM No, I didn't have a job, I wasn't working then.
- WW So that was.. after which job..?

- HM It was a.. regular class I went to..
- WW But after which job did you go back to school?
- HM ... I think of the Stately Floors.

- WW So it was after you finished high school that you worked at Ace Electric Motors... is that right ?
- HM And, there, I have the argument right there with myself. because I think I worked
- 33.30

at the Ace Electric Motor just before I... then too... and gone.. and quit there, when I quit there....

- WW Why did you go back to school?
- HM Well...I hadn't finished high school...and I had.. uh.. two years more to do....high school.. my junior and senior year...because I'd quit in the middle of my junior year.
- WW So you had a year and a half in which school? .. to finish off.
- HM ...well...

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- WW When you finished off high school, which school was that ?
- HM Well, you had to do two years.
- WW Oh, two years.
- HM We...that would be E.Hartford High School.
- WW I see, do you remember anything about that school?

HMWell.....no....

- WW Do you remember any teachers?
- HM No, teachers I don't remember.. it was brick...and the.. uh.. it was set...it was a

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.. it was a street...from Main street in E. Hartford down to it.... which.. uh.. the end of that street...was.. the.. front of the high school...

- WW I see..
- HM But the street.. uh.. I guess you'd say.. uh.. "Y" or "T'd" right there...because it went on each side of the high school.
- WW I see, and where was your home room...in your junior year in high school, in E.Hartford ?

- HMuh....uh....the third floor...in.. uh...a corner.....yes, because you could look out...uh..
- WW What could you see out of the window?

- HM Well you couldn't see anything but the.. well the buses came of course and everything.... and the.. uh.. the field that they had.. uh.. for gymnasium...
- WW Did you do any sports ?
- HM ...No...
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- WW Because of your seizures?
- HM Because of the seizures.

WW ...Did you..

- HM .. And because of the glasses too.
- WW Did you do any sports when you were younger than that ?
- HM Well, when I was younger, yes, I believe I played sports.....I took.. uh...uh...maybe a simple game in a way...the kids in a way...we all like it.. uh.. ____(??) bag...baseball.....
- WW Do you remember any of the kids you used to play baseball with ?

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HM ... (laughs)..one of them.. you know the name, too....(laughs)..Charles McCarthy (laughs uproariously)..believe it or not there is a boy by that name !

WW Ah.. the same as that doll?

HM Same as that.. uh...that ventriloquist, Bergen, used.....his name is Charles McCarthy.. of course in a way too he's junior.....because I know he had.. uh..

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older sister...and he had two younger sisters.

WW Where was this ?

HM This was on Franklin Avenue.

WW And how old were you then ?

HM ...And......Gee, that.. no...when I first met him I don't....remember.. because it

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was about thirteen that....uh...yes about...well.. bef.. thirteen or before.

- WW Uh-huh.. and he was called Charles McCarthy?
- HM Yes.
- WW Do you remember what he looked like ?

- HM Well, he was tall, he had curly hair that was reddish, very dark brownish reddish.... and..uh... well, freckles, and thin.
- WW Yes.....where did he live ?
- HM On Franklin Avenue.
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- WW As well....
- HMTwo houses up.
- WW Now.. well, going back to E.Hartford high school, do you remember any kids from there ?
- HM ...No...I don't..
- WW Did you go out with any girls, from there ?
- HM No, I didn't go out with any girls from there...no...
- WW Were you going with any girls then ?
- HM Well.....no, I wasn't going with any girls then...

WW Oh.. Did you later ?

HM Uh.. later, I did...and.. see... I don't remember her name...she had a sister though...because she lived on the.. uh.. well, what you'd say the North-West part of Hartford....and.. uh...then there was another girl too that I met...through a friend of mine and...around.. and in a way.. that worked over in the Institute of Living.

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in Hartford, and she came down from.. uh.. I think it was New Hampshire.....was up that way, Vermont or New Hampshire...because.. and.. uh.. saw her and there was one from Massachusetts also...

- WW Yes.. a lot of girls!
- HM Um....well.. had to make up for lost time... (chuckles)
- WW Why did you lose time?

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HM Well...in a way, having the girls in a way like that, the ones in Hartford, that first had.. then, when I moved out to South Coventry, well I couldn't have a girl then....and.. uh.. even though there was plenty around...but.. uh.. so.. I kept.. uh. with that one in Hartford... WW What was her name?

HM Polly.

WW Polly?

HM Yes, that was her nickname...Mildred..

WW Mildred

HM ...was her first name..(chuckles)...

WW And you knew her when you were in Burr Junior High?

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HM Yes, I knew her in the Burr Junior High...in fact I knew her.. we.. when before that...because, well. she came and lived .. uh...with.. with the family that lived over us.. on Franklin Avenue in Hartford.

WW So you knew her from way back?

HM Yes, I knew her from way back....and.. but she.. in a way. and she was.. uh.. a year older I think.. because I know that she was in a.. a year ahead in school.....

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WWAnyway....um...Do you remember your graduation ceremony, when you graduated from high school?

HM No, I don't.

WW Did you got to it?

HM I don't believe I was on the stage.

WW Oh, why was that?

HM Well...in a way that was.. for ... more protection of themselves and myself beside

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...uh.. so if I was to have a...an attack or something like that...that.. I wouldn't fall or something and disturb the others, that were there....that were graduating.. and the people in the audience wouldn't be aroused.....

WW Were you have attacks more frequently then?

HM ...No, I wouldn't say I as having them more frequently....very seldom I'd have the attacks but when the...the big pa(?).. grand mals come on (flicks fingers)

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they were just.. uh....well you'd fall right of course with the grand mal...but the petit mal

too...where you just need(??)....twenty sec...twenty or thirty seconds.. you blackout.. you could be walking to get...your diploma or something, and you were walk right by the person, that was handing out the diploma ...instead of stopping and getting the diploma, and <u>then</u> walking off......

WW That would have been a bit difficult.

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HM Yes....it would.. uh.. it would have thrown them all off then...people there in the audience..(chuckles)..they were(???) there(???) themselves.

WW What did you do after high school graduation?

HM Well.....I think of the.. uh.. Underwood..

WW Yes...and how long did you work at the Underwoods?

- HM ...And...I think it was.. uh.. about 18 months.
- WW Yes.. what year do you think it was that you graduated from high school ?

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HM ...Well.....

- WW Before the....before the end of the war? After the end of the war?
- HM I think it was...'46.....1946.....because I.....no I didn't graduate because I'd quit school...in my...well, I'd quit school in my junior year.
- WW Yes, but you went back, didn't you ?
- HM But I went back and I had to do two years. It was '46...because I'd quit...in

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....had to do my junior year and my senior year...it'd be two years.

WW What did you do after you graduated ?

HM ...Gee, I don't remember....

- WW Did you work in Ace Electric Motors, then, or later, or before that ?
- HM Um...neither...I'm thinking of the.. uh...Royal Typewriter...assembly..
- WW What do you think you did after you finished working in the typewriter factory?

- HMEh.. I don't remember anything.
- WW Do you think you were able to work after that? Or that you had to stop working?
- HM I stopped working...it was because well....the little attacks could be.. at some time when

when you were.. possibly putting something together and just that...pieces would...be off a little bit and throw the whole thing off...as others had to do...

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and they were doing their work you would throw the whole thing out......got(??) through(???) then.....and.....always wondered myself in a way....the correction of it...just how to figure it out how I could correct it or...things I could do that...well, it would not...be bothered by it...and it wouldn't bother me...at the same time.

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- WW You're talking about the seizures?
- HM The seizures.
- WW Petit mal?
- HM Petit mal.. and, because the petit mal, well.. that.. 20 to 30 seconds.. and.. course with that petit mal.. that 20 or 30 seconds could be very, very.. uh.. critical(??)...well.. you have it. uh.. the wrong time and naturally you could...naturally you.. you might.. you'd throw yourself out and do poor work and maybe his something wrong...say hit something

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wrong, or some other person that's there too might get.. uh.. well a little bit nerved or just what they were doing...would throw them off.....

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- WW ...Um...do you think you.. um...might have worked at the.. er....at the typewriter factory till just before the operation, or you think you stopped sometime before that?
- HM I stopped, I think.. about.. I think.. three years before that.....the operation.. I think I stopped working at the Underwood....and there I have an argument with myself right off, that as I said three years...I thought nearer to five...

WW ... So you managed to work there quite a long time, despite the petit mal?

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HM Besides the petit mal attacks....because, well...the work being very simple in a way but.. uh.. being sitting down and not.. uh.. nothing would drop, you couldn't drop anything yourself...and.. the other...you being on an assembly line, you put on certain things and push them on and the next person could have to put theirs on.. and.. well I say next person...that's in the center, like there are some.. but I was

at one end...where it was and then they took it...the bunch from me that probably maybe four or five.. yes, and they'd have take them over.. uh....five rows...and start all over on something.. to add something to it...

WW I see....now,.....going back a bit......when you were very small you lived in a house on North Elm Street, right?

HM Yes.

WW Then you moved where?

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HM ...Well, I think of...see North Elm Street that'd be down North Manchester.. Connecticut, then we moved over...to South Manchester.

WW When you were very small?

- HMYes...because I was very small.
- WW And then where did you go to?
- HM Because...because from there we moved, from there...into Hartford, Connecticut

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.....and....that was after I'd quit high school too.

- WW No, no, I mean earlier than that, when you were very young, a baby.....
- HMWell......think...from North Elm Street we moved into.. we didn't move into Hartford, it was to....South Manchester...
- WW And then where?
- HM Then it was into Hartford.

WW Yes. Where in Hartford?

- HM On Maple avenue, I was going to school, started going to school, second grade....
- WW Uh-huh.. which school was that?
- HM St. Peter's parochial school.
- WW And how long were you there for?
- HM Well, I graduated from there..
- WW Do you remember any of the teachers?
- HM I didn't stay back any of the time.

- WW Do you remember any of the teachers there?
- HM ... No, I don't remember their names, the nuns.
- WW Do you remember any of the kids that were there?

- HM Well...I think of one, Harry Hamilton, right off.. uh...because he graduated with me.
- WW Any others?
- HM Well....the Daley's...Jimmy Daley.....and..
- WW Yes...what was he like?

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HM Well...he had freckles.. and.. uh.. brownish red hair, he was thin...and.. uh......his hair was curly of course.....that...they were living on.. er.. Shilders (sp?) Place.

WW You were?

HM He was...

- WW ... Where were you living?
- HM And then.. uh.. uh.. on.. Franklin Avenue...

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- WW So you...moved into Hartf....you..
- HM Moved from Manchester....oh.. this is going to be good...from Manchester into Map.. le Avenue, and from Maple avenue down the street to...Franklin Avenue, from Franklin Avenue, moved out to South Coventry Connecticut, from South Coventry Connecticut, put our furniture in storage, and...came back to...Congress St, in

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Hartford, the same building that I took.. uh.. banjo lessons in, and.. uh...from there we took the furniture out of storage and moved over to E. Hartford...

- WW Ah...to Burnside avenue.
- HM On Burnside Avenue, 509 Burnside avenue.....because from there we moved to....
- WW Did you. did you ever live on Burnside avenue when you were young? ..much younger, before you..
- HM Yes I did...when I went to a...private kindergarten I guess you could call it,

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about two houses up from 509, but when I...(chuckles) lived.. uh...I don't remember the

number...of the house, but it was way up the street and top of the hill...we had to go quite a ways to it...

- WW Do you remember anything happening there?
- HM ...No..
- WW Do you remember any specific incidents in school at any time, during the years

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you were in school...anything particular happening?

HM ...Well.. I think of.. uh.. mechanical drawing fright off...this...this.. er.. kid that sat next to me.. and I could solve them, I could do the mechanical drawing, do it quicker in a way and he.. liked that so.. I had to do part of his...and he'd get.. and some of the thing of course he could get off of me...and I could...sort of copy.. things

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- WW Did that annoy you?
- HM No, it didn't.....his name was Harry Hamilton of course...
- WW Um.. now Henry, I want you to go back as far as you can, and I want you to try to tell me what you think is your very first, earliest childhood memory, the memory which you think comes before any other.

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HM Well, I can go back to...uh....taking a sleigh-ride, for the first time...and...what it was...the wagon.. that pulled the wagon, and the men that.. had to have the horses put.. er.. show put on.. er.. was the driver of course.. but.. er... the sons of the two

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people...er.. two people, I say the sons.. of the people that owned.. this company this man worked for...were also along.....the ice company.

- WW Ah.. when was this?
- HM In Manchester Connecticut.
- WW When.. how old do you think you were?
- HM Um...well....there I was very, very young...because it was...well, second grade and before.....was...uh..

WW This was after you'd been to the private kindergarten?

- HM This was after the private kindergarten, yes...
- WW Do you remember anything when you were in private kindergarten...before that?
- HMNo, not before it all.
- WW Do you remember anything about your grandfather?
- HM ...And I was just going to say something about him....uh...because where we lived

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on first.. and.. I went to a private kindergarten, and when I got out, didn't have.. I didn't go to school for a year, because we had moved then up.. uh.. to Laurel Park Heights....to take care...of him in a way.. because my grandmother had died...or his wife...had died...it was on laurel Park Heights that it.. the house was at.....

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WW ...Um...the uncle, your uncle who married the woman from England..

HM Yes.

WW ...Is he still alive?

HM I don't know.....can't put it definitely for sure...can't say "yes" and I can't say "no".

WW When do you last remember seeing him?

HMI don't....

WW Did you know him while you were in high school?

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- HMI think.. yes....because there was something that.. we had, that he came over to our house to get that.. mother was keeping for him.. of the family's.....think it's right down there (WW looking for something he had dropped?)he was in the
- 54.30

National Guard.....because I..I remember that much.. uh.. him going down to Nyantic(?) Connecticut...yes,. every summer.. in a way, before he was married...and.. uh.. we'd go down of course to see him....I liked the meal too..(laughs)...but...

WW Well...almost finished....how old.. how old are you, Henry?

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HM ...Offhand, I can't say.

WW What would you guess?

HM	Well I was thinking of 35 right offbut, then I was having an argument with			
	myselfbecause I don't know what year it is now so I couldn't telldefinitelyer			
	what it is, because I was born in '26least it's easy			
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	enough to remember tooFebruary 26 th 1926(laughs)			
WW	Do you know where we are at the moment, where this place is ?			
HM	Well I think of two places right off right there and uh one of them uh I			
	think of MITis one and another one I think of is in Torontoit's Toronto			
	Canadabut MIT is what I think of right off first			
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WW	Well, you'd be right, you are at MIT			
HM	Massachusetts Institute of Technology.			
WW	That's right.			
HM	At least I know I remembered that too			
WW	Umwhy do you think you've come here to MIT ?			
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HM	Welljust as you asked that question, the thought came to me			
	that er wellthe future's doctors, and past doctors, the medical profession can			
	learn and know more about my illness.			
WW	Yes what do you think is wrong with you ?			
HM	Well I think of having an operation and uh for epilepsy and er			
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	leaving me this way, where I don't remember things, and probably don't			
	actnormal.			
WW	Oh, you act very normal, except that you don't remember things.			
HM	Geewellthat's one thing right there you got that because a but the the			
	remembering part is what I'mI've wondered and wondered and wondered			
WW	About? What wondered about what ?			
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HM	Well, me just wondered just uh well me and alone in a way but I know in a			
	way being at MIT, that something is being learned			

WW Oh yes.

HM ... And what is being learned... is going to help plenty of others.

WW Oh yes, yes, well that's....

HM .. And.. that.. is. a supposition that I have right off in a way I guess you could say.

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WW But what.. what.. um.. I mean, what does it feel like to you when you try to think about what you can remember, I mean. What do you think about your memory ?

HM Well, when I can't remember things.....well I just think right off.. to myself that.. well, what a dope you are.

WW Well.. you should'nt think that.

HM And.. that.. I know.. and because.. of ... well, thinking that.. well.. just.. I.. that's

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the thought I have in a way and letting it go at that and.. because.. what I think of is other's are learning...and that is something...that...uh.. I've said that before.

WW Yes, yes...you have...

HM And that is more important.....at least I feel that.....

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(HLT comes into room; first time HM has seen him for a week . A brief conversation between

HLT and WW, and HLT leaves - his name not having been mentioned.)

WW Have you seen that gentleman before ?

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HM Uh.. did you say gentleman ?

WW Yes.

HM I think you put an M.D. don't you after it ?

WW Ah.. do you know what his name is ?

HM ...I don't...definitely know right off...I think of Corkin.....

WW ..But.. um...

HM Well I was having the.. the misgiving and I was saying about having the sort of.. uh.. argument with myself, "is that the name ?".....but I could'nt.

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WW Anyway, Henry, I was.. I've been thinking about your memory too, and I've been

wondering what it's like not to remember things.

HM Um.. I imagine.. well... that always comes at a time.. that when you want to remember something, that you can't remember it... yes.. well.. if you can't remember...the way(?) I feel anyhow.. the way.. I can't remember...and it's helping others...and that's something right there...what I feel...myself.

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WW But, I mean.. we've just been having a conversation, right...and how much do you remember of that ?

HM .. Well.. I don 't remember much of it.. and...right off I think of brain surgery...because that's what I wanted to be....and.. uh...I thought of two things that he me back, of course having these attacks and these glasses....the primary...the glasses came first.....

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WW I see.. well, I think that's all then for the time being....

HM OK...well...then just hope...let's hope..

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(Tape-recorder switched off, but conversation continues with HM. Since it seems to be taking an interesting turn , the machine is switched back on - in the middle of a sentence)

HMforget things...what you fellows are learning.. helping others....

WW Yes...but..

HM About me, naturally to help others..

- WW What you're saying is...in a way it's quite good, forgetting everything, because you don't have to worry about anything ?
- HM Well.. you don't have to worry about it then...the only thing.. you don't have to worry about any definite thing.. the only thing you probably worry about is.. uh..

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remembrance of.. <u>all</u> things.....and you put...and you have...one and one together and.. course you get two but.. uh.....figure well.. it's...for the better this way, maybe...

WW Better not to be able to remember anything ?

HM Better it is.. better.. it might be better not to remember.....and is in a way...well.. like

I said...--- (???) that.. well.. whatever it is...maybe you don't remember..

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OK, others.. are interested, they're learning, they're knowing, hearing about it, that's something, right there....and...-- (??) right there... figuring that somebody else...

- WW So there are good sides to the fact that you have'nt got a memory ?
- HM There are good sides.
- WW But you do remember some things...

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HM ...That's.. uh....things.. I put two and two together, I guess...and...try and just...just.. er.. remember that.. uh.. things are.. what they are, are supposed to be...that's all...and the...the help is granted naturally, that's the important part too, least I feel that...very much....

WW Well...thanks.

End of Third Session.

Session Four

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- WW OK.. well, do you know what date it is today ?
- HM No, I don't....
- WW June the 5th.
- HM June the 5th....in.. uh.. nineteen.. seventy....I think of four, right off....but I think it is six.
- WW 19<u>70</u>, just 1970.
- HM 1970....see.. now I was ---(???) ---(???) there...(laughs).
- WW Have you ever met me before, Henry?

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- HM ...Well, I think I have.. in a way...because.. well you look like someone that I knew that I went to school with.
- WW Ah, yes, but apart from that, do you think you've met me personally ?
- HM ... And I can't say yes and I can't say no.
- WW Do you know what my name is ?
- HM .. No I don't .. sorry to say I don't...there you are..
- WW It's the same as the name of a town in Connecticut...

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- HM ... Well... is that the first name ?
- WW That's the second name......begins with a W.
- HM ...I think of Waterbury right off.
- WW .. ah .. no.
- HM .. There's Waterford... Wilcot... on that's Wilcot Hill too, that's two parts, there(?) two of them......

- WW My name is Wilson.
- HM Wilson....yes...because the...it's north of Hartford....I should know it too, on

account of being on the Connecticut river.

- WW Oh, yes .. well...I have been .. I have talked to you before, and I've been...mostly I've been asking you questions about what you remember about your early life, when you were a kid, and so on.
- HM When I was a kid.
- 2.00
- WW Yes .. yes .. and .. um .. I'd like to ask you some more. The first thing I'd like to ask you is...I want you to go back as far as you can and try to tell me, what you think is your very first, earliest, childhood memory.
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- HMWell .. (coughs) .. excuse me...uh.....because I can't have a full memorization of that... but the first thing that I...excuse me....but .. uh .. I'd say

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second grade.....and .. uh .. living in Manchester Connecticut...then....and...then .. I.... don't remember the number...I think of 24 right off....of .. uh .. Spruce St....

- WW Manchester ?
- HM Manchester Connecticut.
- WW How old do you think you were then ?
- HM Well...I was in the first and second grade
- WW Yes, what school was that ?
- HM That was at .. uh....Lincoln Elementary School...in .. uh .. Manchester...

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- WW Can you remember anything about the school?
- HM Well .. it was set at the top of the hill...you might say from Main street....and .. uh .. it was also...off the road that .. or street....avenue .. but that went to North Manchester, there was North and South Manchester, and it was set at the top of the hill...between them both, but not....it was more on the...South Manchester side naturally, on the top the hill, ---(???) part .. in Centre street.

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WW What sort of building was it ?

HM	Was a a brickandI say I thought of three storey right off but I had an argument
	with myself, of two storeyuh buildingand it it was set on

the street .. and .. because in back of that was down .. a sharp incline...to the park Centre park or...

- WW So how many stories do you think it had ?
- HM And it had .. uh.....well two and a half I'd guess you could call it...because t(?) well .. I .. the first floor in a way was .. above ground, half above .. threequarters
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ways, that's what I think of.

- WW Yes. Do you remember your first grade classroom or your second grade classroom
- HMUrn...the second grade is the one that I remember the most of because it was on the west side of the building....and.. uh.. my seat was positioned.. uh.. well I was facing north, and I could look over my shoulder out at the people that were
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going down to the park to.. well.. and there was.. uh.. they had a short cut that people would use there...to go down to the park.. uh.. uh....that was'nt Centre P(?) .. because it was downhill, it was on an incline and it was a wooded area...and Centre Park I think of as where.. uh...flowers were.. top of the hill.

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- WW Yes. Do you remember any.. your teachers in first or second grade ?
- HMName I.. names I don't remember..
- WW Do you remember what they looked like ?
- HM ...Well, it was second grade...I don't remember....I think of tall and thin, second(?)
- 6.30

grade...like a...when I said I don't think, then it came like that...quick...but.. uh.. tall, thin...now that I've said it over, then I think of the opposite direction ! (laughs) Not fat...but heavier.

- WW This is your second grade teacher?
- HM Second grade....and I have an argument there, Lincoln School, in Lincoln School

.....an elementary school, because I went there...if(?)...this....almost finished the second grade - I did'nt finish the second grade there....because we moved from there to Hartford Connecticut, and I went to a parochial school, St Peter's Parochial School, and.. uh.. on Main street, in Hartford, second grade..

WW Another.. that was also on Main street ?

HM It was also on Main street, and it was.. uh.. what you could call down near the.. uh

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end of Main Street...because...uh ..well, they went.. uh.. both sides of a.. park that was called South Green, and I had to walk through that in order to go to school when we first moved there. Afterwards.. well...we'd moved from there, to another place on Main street, right across from South Green Park...but I did'nt have to go through the park, I just went over the end of it....the end that.. uh.

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where it forked with Main Street and.. uh.. Wethersfield Avenue.

- WW I see...I see...Do you remember any of the children in the Lincoln Elementary School, or any of the people you used to play with when you were living there in Manchester ?
- HM In the second grade...I think of.. uh.. the Woods kids, L.T. Woods.. boys, and.. uh..

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going on a sleigh ride there...and.. because.. their father owned.. uh.. ice place.. down.. and was taking the horse up to get it shoed, and they used to sleigh, to haul the ice in, but it was ta.. to take...and all those kids were.. were in the

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place of the ice, of course...to be.. so the horse could be shoed and it was the.. uh...was'nt up on Centre Street, was the other direction, was South.. of that.....can' t name the street, I don't think of the name...

WW They were in your class in Lincoln Elementary ?

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- HMyes...they were...there was the two boys.. one was Frank and one wasJimmy....and.. uh.. I think....right off I think of Frank as the oldest...Frankie was...
- WW Which school did you go to before Lincoln Elementary ? Did you go to a school

Before that ?

HM ...Yes, I did, I must have, because I went into the second grade, I was in the10.00

second grade there...and.....I don't remember the school, I think I did the first grade there too..

WW Where ? Lincoln Elementary ?

HM Yes.. because the.. doing the two grades there I think.....did'nt do the first grade there, I went to the second grade, because I'd gone to a.. a private kindergarten...and my mother took me down the street.. uh.. when we were living in.. E.Hartford..

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to a private kindergarten.. and I went into a second grade.. instead of first.

- WW Do you remember anything about the private kindergarten ?
- HMWell, being on Burnside Avenue and.. um....I keep thinking of it as.. uh.. small

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hill...slope to it.. and.. I have an argument with myself right there....about the house, because it was three....guess you'd say three houses...or was it three ?... second house.. it was.. next door where the landlord lived and then...then there was another house...next to it.....the.. the...tenants in between

WW In between what ?

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- HM Well...the 509 that I lived at when I went to high school.
- WW Yes. And the house that you lived in when you went to kindergarten ?
- HM When I went to...kindergarten....because we lived in a half of a house on Burnside avenue, 509...was the address, and the other half was a friend of my mother's.. uh.. well.. when she was smaller...before I was born..
- WW Henry...if I..I wonder.. now that we're talking about this early time when you were going to kindergarten, what do you think is the earliest thing you

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remember, your first memory ?

HM When I.. tell you that 'tis...you see....may have been...that was when I was going to high school...that.. and.. but before that when I was going to the private kindergarten, two houses up, from where I lived, when I went to high school, but the other places I lived in Hartford, and Manchester, and then South Coventry...before coming back to (chuckles) Burnside avenue again.

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- WW Yes, but do you remember living in Burnside avenue the first time ?
- HM ..Oh, I don't remember it, no...just the.. well...remembrance of the ..uh.. I guess you'd say the house, that I lived in.
- WW What do you remember about the house ?
- HM Because being on.. well, was what they'd call main thoroughfare...it'd be pointed out naturally afterwards.. uh...because of being a.. cottage.. single..

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house even though there was.. uh.. a three family next to us.. it would be.. well.. if you were facing towards Burnside avenue it would be on your right.

WW So you saw this cottage later when you came back to live on Burnside avenue

HM Yes....

- WW Did you see.. did you..
- HM ..I saw it before that, before I came back to <u>live</u> on Burnside avenue.. because of the times that well, that mother and dad had taken me up to Laurel Park Heights, and out to Manchester, because I had to go by it those times.
- WW Did you ever go inside it again after you moved from it?

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- HM I don't think I did.
- WW Do you remember anything about the inside ?
- HMjust that it's layout I don't.
- WW No.. but any particular details or anything like that ?
- HM ...and.. well, it had a garage.. and it was a.. what you'd call a small lot...that the house was.. that the house and garage was on, and of course being a

cottage, single...and.. don't remember it.. big front room, bigger front room.. than.. expected for that place.. the front porch.. also.....

- WW Do you remember anything about the kitchen ?
- HM ...No, I don't.
- WW What about your own bedroom ? Did you have your own bedroom ?

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- HM Yes, I had.. there were two bedrooms in there...and I had my own, I don't remember anything about it at all...or my mother's and dad's....
- WW Well, what do you think is your first memory, the first thing you can remember ?

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HMWell.......gee.....there is a jumble right there...

WW yes, it's a difficult question.

- HM ...sort of...to pinpoint.. put them right down in a.. get a point.. places.. but.. uh.. find the one that comes before or after and..
- WW Well, there maybe, you know, one or two which you're not sure of which came before, so say them all, if you want.
- HM ...Well.. course that Burnside avenue place that I lived on, and went to kindergarten

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on.. I remember that...and I've told you about that. After that...

WW Anything before that ?

HMNo, I don't.

WW Do you remember any of the kids there ?

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HM Uh, just.. uh.. was a private kindergarten, and being on Burnside avenue, and we.. my mother would take me down.. Burnside avenue to.. uh...can't think of the name of the street.. but where the drugstore was, and we'd gather there, the kids, all of us kids and then we'd.. the teacher that was...taking us down to the private

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kindergarten, would take us down there....that way and.. because there were.. from different areas and that was one of the...that was one of the main.. spots, the northern spot.. I say northern but it is northern, it's east...uh...the collect.. area, we'd gather at

that area, she'd take us down, then she'd have to go and.. her mother.. would.. not she, her <u>mother</u> would be collecting the kids on..

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uh.. the west...so.. they'd come together and meet.. naturally all meet in the same house.

- WW So the kindergarten was run by a woman and her daughter ?
- HM ...Well, that was run by the daughter....and the.. the woman, that owned the...was not the teacher.
- WW Do you remember anything about the teacher ?
- HM No, I don't.

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WW ...Um...now, how old were you, do you think, when you went to the kindergarten?

- HM Well, just as you asked that question, I...I thought of right off of.. uh...4...
- WW Yes, that seems reasonable, 4 or 5....OK....do you remember....what do you think...do you remember any public events.. from your early life ? Any.. any major

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public events, or public figures that you may have heard of ?

HM Well...well.....gee...I remember just.. uh.. a little bit about the.. uh.. Centinnial(?) parade.....or...we had in Hartford, because we lived at 97 Main street....and.. uh.. the.. was right across from South Green, and.. uh.. Main street went on each

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side of South Green, and we just had to sit upstairs in the house and the.. floats and everything went by, because it was a long parade and we did'nt have to stand out or anything, and people that were...friends of my mother's...came up and stayed.. not.. yes stayed, and watched the parade from there, because we were able to look down more on them.

- WW What was the Centennial Parade ?
- HM Well...I think of the.. uh.. Connecticut Centennial right off.

- WW Uh-huh....the Centennial of Connecticut...?
- WW What year do you think that was?
- HM ...and, I thought of.....16 something...

WW So it would have been...?

HM Been 1930....35...the Centennial'd be.. make it 1635.

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Yes, that's right. Must have been quite an occasion.

HM Um...it was.. it was.. uh.. well being the third and the.. a big parade was put on...they.. celebrated it more and everything.

WW Do you remember anything.. any public events before that ? Any national events, maybe? **20.00**

HMGee......trying to think of something....can't think of any...

WW Did you follow sports a all?

HM I did some.

WW Which ?

HM Well, when I say I did some, that means them all, in a way. But some of.. uh.. all of them...in a way.. uh...I know in later life, got to be automobile racing

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more....that I followed.. uh...and.. it was football more when I was younger, that I followed, then baseball too..

WW Do you remember any sports heroes of the 1930's?

HM Well.....well, I thought of...I think he's.. after the 30's..Knute

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Rockne....before he was killed.

WW What did he do?

- HM And he...he was a coach for.. Notre Dame.. University.
- WW When was he killed ?
- HM He was killed in a plane.. accident...that's what I think of right off...because

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west...there, but he.. he was.. it was to visit or he had visited...his wife....and...that way.. can't figure it.. uh...just what.. er...well, what's...

- WW What about the actual players ?
- HM Um?
- WW What about the actual players ?

- HM ...Well.....gee.....can't think of their names at all.....because there was one...that went on to notoriety...and....was for...I think of a professiona.. he went on to be a professional.
- WW Professional what ?
- HM Well foot...football...player...
- WW Went on from where ?

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HM From Notre Dame.

WW Oh, I see. No, but I was thinking of players in general, not just from Notre Dame.

HM ...well...names I don't think of...

WW OK.. um.. what about politicians ? People like that ?....

HM Well..

WW Who was the earliest one you remember ?

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- HM ...Well whenthere I have an argument with myself too.. of.. uh...well, Roosevelt, being elected President, in 1932.
- WW Do you remember that personally ?
- HM And....after he'd been elected that my dad of course was on....WPA for a while. or was he on it ? There I have an argument with myself right off. Because I

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think he was on it and then I think he was on something else...instead.. he was'nt working at his trade though....there.. because the.. uh...could'nt work at his trade naturally being.. uh.. laid off.. in a way...and if he worked at his trade, he'd have been able.. he'd.. been liable too..

- WW Liable ?
- HM For.. in a way.. what I think of him being liable, because if he worked at his trade after him being laid off from his job and.. going his own way, he would'nt

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have been with the union or anything like that.. or.. any of the other.. men would have.. uh...well, when he went to get.. uh.. jobs for himself, that he would'nt have been able to get them afterwards.. because the people would know it, that he(?) had been...well...there's a word for it, and I can't think of it.. and....uh..

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red.. red-dogging or something like that..

- WW Blackleg?
- HM Black.. something.. blackleg or.. uh.. working.. uh.. on his own you might say.
- WW Why, because there was a strike ? Was that what was happening ?
- HM There was a strike on at the time, yes....
- WW And he was breaking the strike ?
- HM Then he'd be breaking...he'd break the strike-rule.. by going to work.. working when he was staying out.. and.. that was part of the whole thing.. of.. for the

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men.. for them all to stay out that there were in that union, to stay off, so that the union would get the raise, but if they.. went out and worked they'd be...well.. they'd be.. not in the union.

- WW Uh-huh...so he worked for the WPA?
- HM Worked for the WPA...and that was.. well.. the.. the 1929 crash...
- WW Yes, do you remember that ?

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- HM No, I don't remember that, I was only 3 years old.. then.
- WW What about the 1932 election ?
- HM Well, Roosevelt getting in.

WW Who was he running against?

HM Uh.....I think of Wilkie right off, but it was'nt.. uh...Calvin Coolidge...who was running.. was a President that...was naturally.. uh.. replaced by.. Roosevelt.

- WW Roosevelt came after Coolidge ?
- HM Coolidge....Calvin Coolidge.
- WW Do you remember that...do you remember that election personally?
- HM No, I don't.
- WW What about the next election, when was that ?

- HM Well, that.. I figure, 4 years later...that'd be in 1936.
- WW And, who was running then ?

- HM ...There, it's Roosevelt again.. to be.. and he was reelected....and.. I can't think of just who it was...that he ran against.
- WW Do you remember anything about that election yourself?
- HM ...No, I don't...I don't remember anything.
- WW Do you remember who he was running against?
- HM No, I don't.
- WW Somebody beginning with L...name began with L...
- HM Landon
- WW Yes.. that's right.
- HM Alfred Landon.
- WW That's right. Do you remember anything about him?
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- HM Well, that...say from the Midwest.. in a way, and.. uh.. thin man, but not tall.. what you'd say.. well.. not very tall.. just the...and he wore glasses....I think of right off...that's what I think of.. and..
- WW What about the..
- HM He was a governor, I believe.
- WW Of which state?
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- HM And, I had an argument with myself, and I thought of Michigan....---(????) secondly.. in a way.. and.. I was still debating with myself at the time that I mentioned it...the state.. but I think it was Michigan....because I know.. but I know one thing, it was out to the Middle.. West, you might say North Middle West.
- WW I see. Now, who.. what happened in the next election, the 1940 election ?

- HMWell Roosevelt ran for.. uh.. his.. uh.. third term, which was unprecedented.. by all in a way.....
- WW Who was he running against ?

HM	I think o	of Wilkie	Wendell	Wilkie.

WW That's right.

HM Because he run in a...Landon afterwards...was'nt it ?...of course.. and there

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I'm not sure if it's Alfred. Landon...and the.. uh.. the middle initial..

- WW Uh-huh...do you remember anything personally about the 1940 election ?
- HM ...No, I don't...
- WW You just know that it happened?
- HM I know that it happened and.. uh..
- WW Do you remember your parents talking about it, or anything like that ? Or people electioneering, things like that ?

HM Yes.

- WW You do remember things like that ?
- HM I can remember things like that ?
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- WW Well that's what I mean when I ask you if you can remember anything about the election personally.
- HM Well I remember about.. well.. personally.. yes, that way.. remember hearing about it or.. not.. people talking about it...hearing about it afterwards but not re.. uh.. remembering it right off.
- WW What about 1936?
- HM Well, Roosevelt election, I think of right off
- WW Who do you think he was running against?

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- HMThere I have an argument...Landon or Wilkie...and.. uh.. because he run.. his fourth term was against either of them...but.. what.. and his third term was against one of the...
- WW Do you remember anything about Pearl Harbour?
- HM Well, it happened on a Sunday.

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WW Ah.. What date ?

HM Well.. uh.. December 7th.

WW What year ?

HM Well.....I think of 1941 right off.

WW That's right. Um.. do you remember how you yourself heard about...

HM No.. I..

WW Pearl Harbour ? Where you were or anything like that ?

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HM No I don't, I.....I say I don't, in a way I think of.. that my father told.. was telling my mother about it that he heard about it too, and we were driving in from Hart...uh.. South Coventry to Hartford...he had heard about it before.. and there...I have an argument with myself right off, was it...then.. it was'nt..

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it was 'nt.. uh.. we were 'nt living in South Coventry Connecticut then...but daddy.. had gone down the street, to get the car.. in the garage and saw the men that were at the gasstation there where they had the garage and everything, and they talked about it and told him, because they'd been up all night in a way, and they heard about everything, and they were able to tell him, and then he told us about it...and we actually turned the radio on.

- WW And where were you, where was this, at home ?
- HM Yes, this was at home.
- WW Where ?

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HM Uh.. Franklin avenue, 36 Franklin avenue, second floor.

WW So you did'nt hear about it when you were out in a car, or anything like that ?

- HM No, it was just that.. that.. that.. well, Daddy'd got the car, you see and he was.. getting it, and they told him and when he came back and told us about it, we were in the car with him, going.. that's why I.. I.. heard it in the car.
- WW Where were you going ?
- HM On just a Sunday drive.
- 32.00
- WW In December ? well, is'nt it a bit cold to go for a drive ?
- HM Yes it is, in December.. the.. the wintertime.. and.. uh.. trying to think of, was it just a drive, or was it to visit someone.

WW Yes...Anyway it was definitely in a car?

HM It was in a car.

WW About what time of day, do you think ?

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HM Well...it was...hey. .do you know what ? I say packing lunch and stuff, I don't think that we were packing stuff like that, because Daddy was.. get the car and and was taking mother and myself up to the ST. Peter's church....it was a cold day.. being such a cold day.. a.. that Sunday and so we'd all be together in a way...

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and we would.. and there was snow on the ground too...at least where we lived and.. rather than.. plough through it and everything, Daddy got the car, so.. and because there was a lot of sidewalks that had'nt been shoveled.. it was early in the morning.

- WW So he was taking the car to church.
- HM He was going to take us to the church in the car...and we'd have to.. we would'nt have to worry, and <u>he</u> would have to worry about.. mother or myself slipping...on any ice or anything.
- WW And he was telling your mother about it ?
- HM Yes.

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- WW And how had he...and how had he found out ?
- HM ...From the men that w...worked at the station...they told him, right off, and when.. and Daddy told us about it he came.. and had the...we got our car radio on.. more.

WW Do you remember.. D-Day ?

HM No, I don't.

- WW Do you know what D-Day was ?
- 34.00
- HM Well, I think of D-Day right off...Normandy...the landing of the.. uh.. (t?)roops on Normandy.

WW Where's Normandy?

HM Agains.. Europe. Against Hitler, to free Europe, they were coming from.. well, England, to Normandy, and .. uh.. American troops...uh.. uh.. led the way.. to the landing of

the...on the beach of.. uh...uh.. to drive the Nazis out in a way, because they were right to the sea.

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- WW Is Normandy a...country, or part of another country?
- HM I think it is part of another country, in fact of two countries.
- WW Two countries ?
- HM I think of two countries, that it is part of...and then....well.. you had said "country" singular...and...but I thought of...the Netherlands, and I thought of Belgium.....that way.. and.. there was.. because..

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- WW Who was commander of the Allied forces, then ?in Europe.
- HM In Europe.. I don't know who the commander-in-chief was....I.. the commander of....Eisenhower, I thought of right off...Ike Eisenhower...that was a General and

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he became our president and -----(???)

- WW When did he become President?
- HM In.....1959.
- WW Who was.. who was President before him ?
- HM ...and...uh.. I don't know....because he.. he was a vice-President that was

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filling in because of.. uh.. Roosevelt being shot.....

- WW Who was.. the President before Eisenhower was a vice-president....
- HM Was a vice-president..
- WW Who filled in..
- HM Who filled in, when Roosevelt was shot.
- WW Oh?
- HM That's what I think of.
- WW Roosevelt was shot ?
- HM Assassinated.
- WW Where did that happen?
- HM And.. in the state.. I think of Ohio right off...and..

WW Anywhere else it might have been ?

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HM Well, when I thought of Ohio, I was trying to think of the towns...and.. uh.. well, I came up with Dayton, Ohio and...but I don't think that it was exactly in Dayton, it was outside of it....the outskirts, you would'nt call it Dayton itself.

WW How did that happen ?

HM Well, somebody shot him, and his wife...

WW And his wife ?

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- HM And his wife.. and the governor.. of.. uh.. Michigan.
- WW In Ohio?
- HM(laughs).. did I say it was <u>Ohio</u>?

WW Yes.

- HM .. Because I think of Michigan, then.
- WW You sure ?
- HM Because.....yes.
- WW So Roosevelt, and his wife and governor, were all shot at once ?

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HM They were all shot at once, but they did'nt all die...Roosevelt died, naturally, he was the...uh.. fatal.. and the governor, I think he lingered on two days...but he succumbed, and .. Mrs Roosevelt did not die...immediately in a way.. from that.. uh.. from the wounds of that..

WW Is she still alive ?

- HM I don't know to tell you the truth.
- WW Do you know what she did after..?
- 38.00

HM I think of her.. uh.. uh.. peace.. er.. talking.....

WW Peace...? What do you mean by that ?

HM Well.. she was.. uh...well....like the OPA, and stuff like that in a way, she told people just how to react, how they should react to things...and they...uh.....going around......gee...I just had a small one then......

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WW	A small?
HM	A small what you'd call petit mal.
WW	Oh, did you ?
HM	Yes.
WW	A very quick one.
HM	Well, must have been a very about 10 seconds or longer well, 15 seconds at the most, I
	thinkbecause they are quickin a way, but they can just throw you off, you know
WW	Do you know what I what we were talking about ?
HM	Wellwe were talking about the Presidentandand there and after
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	his wife, what she did after he was uh assassinated.
WW	That's right, that's right. Which President ?
HM	Roosevelt.
WW	Yes. Where was he assassinated ?
HM	Oh I think of Ohio no state
WW	What happened when he was assassinated ?
HM	He was shot.
WW	Was anybody else shot ?
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HM	Uh the Governor was was with him. He was shot, and killed. And there was another
	man also that was shot, but woundedI believe there was a fourth but I'm not sure
WW	Who did all the shooting ? Just one person ?
HM	Well, there was one person who was executed for it for it, but there was
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	others that because the shots came from different directions, and so one person could
	not have fired that uh from different directionsall at once in a way, you might
	saybut was just that one that they uh received the most notoriety because shooting
	the President and I say most notoriety and I cannot remember his name, nowI know
	I tried but(?) I can't

WW Who came after Roosevelt, who was President after Roosevelt ?

- HM Well...I think of.. uh...I think of Wilkie right off...Wendell Wilkie.
- WW You think he was President?
- HM He was President.
- WW You're sure ?
- HMBecause was'nt he reelected.. that he finished.. uh.. that he was a Vice-President.. and naturally he took the term President, and finished out that.. uh.. Roosevelt's term, and was elected to office then.
- WW And where did he come from ? What state ?

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- HM From. uh.. I think of.. um.. Ohio, right off.....in fact that's what I thought before you even asked from what state.
- WW And where was Roosevelt assassinated ?
- HMAnd there, I have an argument with myself.. I think of Chicago...and..
- 41.30

there's.. another Mid-W.. uh.. what you'd call Mid-West.. town or city...and.. uh.. can't put my finger on it...

- WW OK.
- HM Sorry.. I keep....
- WW That's alright, Henry, that's alright. do you remember any events in Europe before WorldWar.. before Pearl Harbour ? The war in Europe ?
- HM And.. well.. before that we got into the war in Europe...before we got into it,

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the...uh...well, the bombing, that they had.. and.. well.. the Germans that were coming to bomb Europe...I..----(???) Europe.. to bomb England...the RAF...that was there...a.. the RAF...and.. uh.. the Eagle Squadron.. in a way I think of, because the Americans that were.. course we were not in the war or anything, that we went over and were flying.. for the English in the RAF. They called it the Eagle

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Squadron because there was all Americans who were in it.

WW I see.

- HM And they were getting paid...to be in a...what you could call professional.. er.. executors.. in a way.....
- WW They were being paid to what?
- HM Well.. like professional executors..
- WW Of what ?
- HM They were being paid to fly and fight.. for England....and.. uh.. they were.. I don't remember just how much it was, they received per month.

- WW But why do you say they were being professional executors ?
- HM Well.. it was a.. summation right off....made because...well, they knew that they.. or they come to the realization that the Americans could do something that they could'nt...in flying. They understood it better and were...quicker.. acting.. to it and not.. uh.. well, looking at it say like.. like the.. uh.. well the English

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are so slow, it seems...in a way.. and how the Canadians and.. uh.. and.. and.. uh.. everyone around in a way, how they work a little faster, they don't think things out and <u>then</u> do it, they think things out <u>as</u> they are doing them.

- WW The Americans ?
- HM And the Canadians too.. and all.. and that way, there's no time.. lost.. of thinking things out and solving it and then coming back and <u>then</u> doing it and have to think things out again...to do it.
- WW Yes. I can see that would'nt help a fighter-pilot much.

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- HM No, it would'nt. You don't have a second chance.
- WW So that's why the.. they employed Americans ?
- HM Well, that's why they employed the Americans to.. uh.. fight in the Eagle Squadron.
- WW Oh, I see.
- HM And.. I think it was 500 a month was 'nt it...they received, and there was a certain amount given for a plane they shot down.
- WW I don't know. Are you sure about this?

- HM The...I'm not sure about that...but I know that the.. uh...they were given.. uh.. a bonus in a way. I say bonus, because of the planes they shot down.
- WW They shot down more planes than anyone else ?
- HM No....they did not! No...uh.. because the RAF did shoot down quite a few..
- WW Even though they thought slower.

HM And.. uh.. even though they were on their bomb-runs.. too...they made bombing runs.. but.. uh...uh.. well it was more of a fighter-squadron for the Eagle Squadron, and.. but the RAF was.. uh.. well they covered them all, covered the fighter squadron, covered the bombers and the.. everything....that way.. and they could.. they.. uh.. did things just right...and everyone could learn something from each

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of them, that's what I think of myself.

- WW Well, I'm sure you're right.. um...do you remember.....er.. VE-Day ?
- HM Well, victory in Europe day ?
- WW Do you remember the celebration ? Where were you when that happened? Do you remember anything about it ?

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- HM ...I don't remember exactly where I was, and then again I have an ar.. uh.. a feeling that I was in.. uh.....we were down.. I say Hurd Park.. and.. we were on a picnic and the people heard about it there...on their car, because their car had a radio, our car did not, and they told everybody, and everybody.. s...hollered and jumped around.
- WW What was this for ?
- HM For VE-Day.

- WW Uh-huh...where'd you go for a picnic ?
- HM Down to Hurd Park.
- WW Where's that ?
- HM It's on the Connecticut river...and.. well, it was a...really a gathering spot you might say of all the people because of the place that we went was always.. uh.. the place that they

had built.. there that was covered and we could have our fire on one side and our.. eat inside, too.

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- WW I see. And what time of year do you think that was ?
- HMWhich?
- WW What we were talking about.
- HM VE-Day.
- WW Yes.

HM Well, I have an argument with myself, I think of March, and I think of January...and I think of the 20th...and there I have.. what you could say a double argument.. because I just thought of when I said 20th, I thought of the 21st....

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- WW I see. What about VJ-Day ? ... Do you remember .. how you heard about that ?
- HM Well......No......because the actual VJ I don't remember, victory over Japan...and..

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- WW What...no, go on...
- HM ..because was.. it two or.. I say two.. was it two.. yes, I'm going to say it again, two or three weeks, after we had dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima.. that they.. the Jap.. Japanese decided that.. uh.. well, we could drop that one bomb and look what it did.. look what we could do with other places too...

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- WW How many other bombs ? Did they drop just one ?
- HM Well, thinking of the atomic bomb, that's one, right off.. and..
- WW Did they drop more than one atomic bomb, or just one atomic bomb?
- HM I think of one atomic bomb.
- WW Yes, on what city ?
- HM Hiroshima.. in Japan.
- WW That was the main cause of the Japanese surrender ?
- HM That was.. uh.. one of the main causes...because fearing that they could.. uh.. that
- 49.00

we could that bomb, well...possibly on Tokyo maybe..

- WW Do you remember hearing about that, or seeing pictures of it ?
- HM Well .. hearing about it .. is one .. er .. just seeing the pictures of it .. I can remember(???) seeing(?) ..
- WW What were the pictures like ?
- HM Well.. they were more of.. uh.. well.. what the town.. two-view picture. What the town

looked.. uh.. city.. looked like, an aerial picture of it and.. before and that same area covered again in another photo...what it was afterwards...and one had...had been taken so many minutes, ahead of the other one....and, I'm trying to remember if it's.. 5 or 15 minutes difference.

WW Uh.. uh.. anyway, what was the difference between the two pictures ?

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- HM Well, one showed.. everything, the buildings all erect and everything, and then after the atomic bomb, how everything was down, that same area.
- WW Do you remember the president going onto the radio to announce the dropping of the bomb ?

HM I think of Roosevelt right off.

- WW Roosevelt was President when the bomb was dropped ?
- HM I think of that....then...uh.. yes, he was President I believe...because.. uh

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.. was'nt he killed after that.

WW He was killed ?

- HM I think of him k.. being killed.
- WW Where was that ?
- HM And...I think of Ohio right off...
- WW He was shot by himself?
- HM ...and there was a governor who, that was with him..
- WW What.. what was he doing when he was shot ?

HM Oh...uh...I guess you could call it.. say a parade or like...er.. review in a way, that he was driving along in, and the governor.. was with him....and I think he..it was the governor of Michigan and it was in Michigan, that they were shot..

WW I see.

- HM ...and I can't think of the...(coughs)..excuse me.....
- WW Well.. um...do you remember any major events happening after the end of the 2nd

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World War ?anything that took...struck your attention.

- HM ...trying to think of.....no....
- WW What about the Korean War?
- HMoh....
- WW Where was that ?

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- HM Well, that was.. uh.. U.S...fighting in.. uh.. North.. and South Korea...and it was.. uh.. uh....against the.. uh....North Koreans....and Russians....that they were trying to invade the other...to.. er.. neutralise it in a way and.. one was pushing one way and one was pushing the other way....the North was pushing against the South and vice versa...
- WW Do you remember who the American general was there ?

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- HMWell.....I thought the....of Macarthur right off.
- WW Uh-huh...Was he...what happened to him? Did he lea...was he...Commander-in-chief all through the war?
- HM ... No, I believe he was executed in the war, he was shot.
- WW He was ? Why..? Who by ?

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- HM By his.. uh.....a man and a woman....and there I have an argument with myself....about or was it just a woman, that killed him because he had ordered or something and that her husband been killed...in the war in a way and they figured that he was the one that had ordered it....
- WW Where did this happen?

- HMand.. happened out.. in the Midwest.. that he was....
- WW He was int shot while he was in Korea?
- HM He was'nt shot no.. what.. what...he was'nt shot in Korea.. no.. hey.. when I say Midwest...maybe.. Michigan...I think of...
- WW That's where Macarthur was shot?
- HM ... That Roosevelt was shot.
- WW Well, we were talking about Macarthur.
- HM Well, I was going in the understanding that we were talking about Roosevelt.

- WW Ah.. Well, I'm sorry, there must have been a misunderstanding.. no, we were talking about the Korean war, and I asked you about what happened to Macarthur, and you said he was shot...General Macarthur.
- HM He was shot.
- WW Ah.. do you know where he was shot ?
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- HM And....I think of Japan that he was re .. uh .. they were parading through....Tokyo .. I think of Tokyo, and then I have a reservation there, of the town...but .. er .. he was parading through and someone . .a .. a .. um.....a woman.. from the sidelines shot him, as he was in the car, riding....or .. then .. while he was going .. he was at the head of it, and he .. uh .. was going to review everybody, that had marched in it...

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- WW I see...Do you remember any Russian leaders.. leaders of Russia?
- HM Um.. I think of Stalin right off...and .. er...
- WW Is he still alive ?
- HM That I can't say yes, and I can't say no.. because as I said that I had the mental reservation that.. possibly, he had been killed...
- WW Oh..? Stalin ?

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HM And.. uh.. I did'nt remember.. uh.. just who.. or what...er.. he'd been killed.. and .. uh.. it was a body of men, who were meeting, and he entered...where, but it was in.. I believe it

was in Russia that he was killed...and.. I say.. uh.. it was a body of men, who were meeting, and he entered...and.. he was shot.. as he entered,

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and the man that took over...I don't remember his name, now...and.. took from him.. er.. was the one that gave the orders and directed and did the shooting..

- WW You don't remember anybody.. any of the Russian leaders after Stalin?
- HM ...No..
- WW Or what any of them looked like ?
- HMWell.. when his.. if they were still the same ones that were there as he was...there

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was the....I think of the big fat one...and..

WW Yes. What colour...did he have a lot of hair?

HM No.. he...I believe he was bald.

WW He was bald.

HM Let me see...round-headed.. er.. complete. uh.. his whole head was more of a round shape instead of a oval, as the regular human being is... and he was fat...... and... trying...

WW Do you think he's a typical Russian?

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HMWell, don't think he was a typical Russian...I thought of him more for himself too, in that way...

WW More what ?

- HM More for himself. What he could get.. was better for him, was better for every-body...the way he thought, personally...that the way I.. that I thought that he thought.. it was good for ...everybody so long as it was good for him.
- WW And who are we talking about ?

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HM But...thinking of.. uh.. Molotov right of.

WW Molotov ?

HM Yes, that's the first word I thought of, Molotov right off.. and.. uh...

WW And he was the short fat one with the bald head ?

HM Bald head...and..

- WW He was called Molotov ?
- HM And .. and .. generally he had a black suit.....with white shirt .. and tie...remember(??) him(?) that way.
- WW ... Um..... Do you remember who was President after Eisenhower ?

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- HM ..Er...after Ike.. er...well, let me see.. uh....I think of Dewey....who'd been governor of New York State..
- WW Uh-huh...he became President after Eisenhower?

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- HM ...And...the first one I think of...that he became President because.. uh.. was elected President after Eisenhower too.
- WW Uh-huh.. what year was that ?
- HMI think ... I think of '63 first right off.

WW 1963?

- HM That's what I think of right off.
- WW Well, what happened to him ?

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- HMand.. I don't know.
- WW Is he still President?
- HM I could'nt say now...
- WW Do you know who is President now ?
- HM No, I don't.. to be truthful to you, I don'tbecause I was wondering right along then.. I said, well now, who is President now....trying to put two and two

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together...and...well...some of the answers that I was giving, that were correct, and some of the way you were wording things, so I was associating them together in a way, and then, maybe come up with.. it.. the name and everything.....and I think of Dewey...uh.. was a governor of New York...State.

WW And he may be President now ?

HM	And he may be President nowthinking of the black suit that he wears and the white
	shirtthat's what I think of.

WW What's he look like ?

HM Well....five foot eight about...six or eight, five foot six or eight.. and.. uh...

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his round head more...hair naturally, covering the head...and..

WW This is Dewey?

HM Hm?

WW This is Dewey?

HM This is Dewey.....and...and....had a very large.. uh.. a large head.. a larger head than you'd expect for a person of.. his size....

WW What.. do you know.. do you think there might be a war in Vietnam? ..Vietnam..

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- HM Well, I think of.. that there has been a war there, has'nt there.. in Vietnam.
- WW Yes. Who's been fighting there ?
- HM Well, we.. the U.S...a. against the Russians...
- WW Anybody else ?
- HM And....well, the people that live there, the.. uh.. Red Chinese..
- WW In Vietnam?

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HM And...there I have...right....it is'nt in North China a way at all, it's in the southern..I think of the southern part of China....and they would be.. uh....brownish, they would'nt be slant-eyed, like the.. uh.. Chinese or Japanese or that.. race, the yellow race.

- WW They'd be brown?
- HM More brownish...
- WW I see...
- HM And.. Malaya...
- WW And What ?
- HM I think of Malaya.
- WW Malaya?

- HM Yes...and.. well Siam.. whichever you want to call it, I guess...Malayan peninsula, I think of.
- WW That's right, that's right. Do you know who is the leader of China?

- HMUm......Well, I have an argument there with myself....I thought of something like...don't know how to say it...begins with J.. U-N.. G...Jung.. ("Jung" pronounced as in "jungle")
- WW Jung...Chiang?
- HM Right...Chiang-Kai-Shek.....that's.. uh.. where the full.. uh.. full name of....
- WW Is he a Communist?

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- HM Well....he is.. uh...turned Communist...and, he.. uh.. was against it more.. in a way.
- WW When was he against it ?
- HM Well, when his wife was around and ruled him more....
- WW When his wife was around and ..?
- HM Ruled him more.. him...in a way, what she said went, for everyone...
- WW Uh-huh.. this is Chiang-Kai-Shek's wife?
- HM Yes...Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek.

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- WW But when she died he turned Communist?
- HM Well.. did'nt.. uh.. he.. uh.. did'nt turn Communist, but he professed it and made things to go more...like the Communist way...
- WW Oh, I see.
- HMand was that way because.. uh.. naturally she.. uh.. held him back from doing it and everything, but it was just a slow movement that he made.. I say slow movement, it's really a fast movement...but.. uh.. changed

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the people over that way, so that they would...be more.. kind of one side.. instead of overnight.. he spaced it out and they...sort of.. made it start a little bit and then...it was changed over instead of just that.. well, one time you're one thing and then, next day, or next hour or minute, you're different.

WW Uh.. um...Henry.....do you.. er....do you think that there's a president called Goldwater?

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- HM I think of a senator Barry Goldwater.
- WW You do ?
- HM Yes
- WW Where is he senator from ?
- HM The Mid-West.. and.. I was thinking of Ohio right off..
- WW ...But he was'nt President?
- HM ...No, he was not President, he was.. er.. uh...leader of the.. s...senatorial leader I guess you could call it.
- WW Of what party ?

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- HMI thought of Democrat right off...but I had a little reservation right there, Republican...(chuckles)..
- WW There's not much choice.
- HM I know, there's only two.
- WW What about.. er.. Nixon ?
- HM Well, I think of him being a President and then a Vice-President.
- WW Yes.. what happened to him, is he still President ?

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- HM ...And.. I think he is.. still President
- WW Does he have a wife ?
- HM Pat. Nixon.
- WW Any children ?
- HM And.. er...children.. I think of 4 boys right off.
- WW Four boys ?
- HM I think of boys, four boys, and I think he has girls, I mean, three boys anyhow. Not four boys, three.

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WW ... Do you know of any.. anybody called Kennedy has been President ?

- HM ...Y.. well...he's been a President and I believe, well.. uh....trying to think of his first...Robert, is'nt it, Robert Kennedy ?
- WW Yes...what happened to him, is he still President ?
- HM No, I don't believe he is.....I think of him being shot.
- WW He was shot ? Where ?.. When ?..

- HM The date I cannot tell you.. and. er.. think of Ohio right off..
- WW I think it was further South and West than that.
- HM ... When you say that then I thought of Alabama.
- WW No, I think it was further Southwest.
- HM Southwest.....is'ntit's around Ohio.....

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- WW Much further South and West.
- HM Much further s.....well.. uh.. I think of Reno right off?
- WW Reno?
- HM Yes. Nevada.
- WW You think he was shot there ?
- HM And...I don't think he was shot there.. I think it was a town just outside that though.
- WW Yes...who was he shot by ?

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- HM Uh....well.. the guy that pulled the trigger, naturally (laughs).
- WW ... That's right.
- HM ... I don't remember his name.
- WW What.. what were the circumstances of the shooting ?
- HM Well, he was.. I think of him on a re...on a review.. and.. er.. the assassin was I think of two stories up, in a window shooting down..

- WW Yes.. what do you mean "he was on a review"? He was walking somewhere?
- HM He was 'nt walking, he was in a car...he was riding.. in a car.
- WW Was there anyone in the car with him ?
- HM And I think of his wife right off.

- WW Yes.. what was she called ?
- HM ...I think of Pat...and.. there was a general in the car with him.
- WW A general ?
- HM Yes, a general.
- WW Was he shot too ?

- HM And there I have...er...I know a bullet passed through <u>him</u>.. and.. uh.. I.. I say him...being of course both males there, in the backseat.. that were sitting.. er.. and went into.. Pat.. Nixon..
- WW She was shot?
- HM ...By the bullet that went through.. one of them.. or ricochet...no.. I just said that "ricochet" right off, that came (HM clicks fingers)

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right like that.....I think it was a bullet that went through one of them and then ricochet'd off, or something.....

- WW Who did it hit ?
- HM Well, went through one of them and hit Pat.
- WW Pat who ?
- HM Nixon.
- WW Uh-huh....do you...the assassin you don't remember ?If I

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told you his name began with 'O'..... the man who shot President Kennedy.....

- HM I think of O'Hara right off...(chuckles)
- WW O-S.
- HM Oswald.
- WW That's right.
- HM ...yes .. of course that .. er.. he.. er.. I think that....he escaped.. to another country, and could not be brought back here.

- WW When did he shoot.. whe.. where did he shoot the President?
- HM Hm?

WW Where did he shoot the President ?

- HM ... I thought of New York, Washington, and then Baltimore came right in.
- WW Baltimore ?

HM Um.. Maryland.

WW Have you ever heard of anybody called Martin Luther King?

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HMWell., um., Mid-west., U.S., United States., and ... er.,

WW Who was he?

- HMHe was a leader there of the people .. er.. sedition leader...seditionist's the word for him.
- WW Se. seditionist?
- HM Yes.
- WW How do you mean ?

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- HM Well, in a way that he.. well.. everything was, I guess.. we.. er...better explain it.. the way...everything was OK for everyone else but.. er...just what he's done, it's got to be just right....their .. they can do anything, it does'nt make any difference, but what I do is right, that's ... it...
- WW I'm not...so what was he saying, what was he doing ?
- HM Well, in a way, he was just.. telling the people in a way that no matter they could think of things they wanted to and everything but

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.. er .. his way was the way.

- WW What was his name?
- HM I think of Nixon right off.
- WW Uh-huh.
- HM .. um.. Pat.. Nixon...and there I have an argument with myself, that Pat......between the daughter.. and him..
- WW You mean his daughter might be called Pat?

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HM His daughter might be called Pat.

WW What would he be called if she was called Pat?

HMEdwin.

WW Edward ?

HM Edwin..

- WW Edwin.. Edwin Nixon.
- HM Or Edward.. now that you've just said that over both of them now, it comes out clearer too. You said Edwin.. Nixon, that.. that.. did'nt sound like it fully, and the.. Edward though.. does..
- WW ... Has he been in the news lately ?

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- HM I don't know.
- WW ... Um... before your operation, Henry.... you were doing a job, right? Did you have a job?
- HM Not now, naturally.
- WW No, but before the operation.
- HM But.. uh...how long before ?
- WW Well...what was the last job you had before the operation ?
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- HM Well, I think....oh.....think of the Royal Typewriter company.....right off __(??)
 __(??) .. and I say Royal typewriter but...it might not.. uh.. it might have been the Underwood.. typewriter.. because they're both right next door too.. and.. uh... can't keep it straight, which.. one, but I knew which(???) door(??) I(?) went(??) through(???) .. in a way.. but.. uh..

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- WW How long were you.. how long before the operation did you stop working at the typewriter factory ?
- HMWell, thought of three right off.

WW Three..?

- HM Thr.. that'd be.. I'd say three years.
- WW When was the operation ?

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HM ...Well.....Gee, I don't remember....uh...then I think of 1949.

- WW Do you remember anything else happening in 1949?
- HM No, I don't, that is...year that I can't remember anything about...and sort of.. does'nt..uh.. other things don't seem to fit in...with it..
- WW How do you mean ?
- HM Well.. trying to to.. well, just looking at the year as you see it in

a way, and say "Um" to yourself...well..."No, no, no, no".. and.. in a way.. even though you're possibly.. you could'nt think of one thing that happened during that year....put it in exactly.

WW When did the Second World War end, what year ?

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- HM Well....that I think of.. as...58.. and I think of '59; 1958, 1959.
- WW The Second World War ?
- WW The Second World War.
- WW So VJ-Day would have come in 1959?
- HM ...Now when you say VJ-Day I think of 1958.
- WW 58?
- HM Um.
- WW This was after your operation, then ?
- HMHold(??) on(?).. hold(??) on(?)..
- WW You said the operation was in 1949.
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- HM ...um....I don't remember...well.....
- WW It does'nt matter.
- HM (chuckles) It does, in a way, I know it does....just put two and two together.
- WW Dates...dates are...are difficult to keep track of sometimes.
- HM Well, to align them up and to make them.. uh.. you know what they stand for, in a way, but to remember them definitely.. as that.. just the dates.. it's.. you've got.. to sort of think of the other things around them...

- WWHenry, going back again...what do you think was your first, your earliest childhood memory, the memory that you think was before any others ?
- HM Well....1932..I think of.. uh.. going on a sleigh.. I say"sleigh", it
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was.. it was a sled.. uh.. L.T.Wood. There's Frankie and Jimmie Wood, the sons were.. uh.. the Woods that owned the.. uh.. ice company.. used to take the horse.. to be reshod...and...uh.. of course this is in

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Manchester.. and...I think..... (??) (??) ...

- WW And you remember actually riding on the sled ?
- HM Well, going down.. uh.. Spruce street.. and.. uh.. making sure that.. uh.. well the.. uh.. of course the guy that was.. uh.. driving it made sure too...uh.. that the kids.. uh.. were.. we would go to a place and make sure that.. there was 'nt any kids ahead of us, or the least number. Because of.. of.. because if there was a lot, then we'd go through

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faster...but there's a few, a very few, we just go along slowly.

- WW Why was that ?
- HM So the kids would'nt.. well.. they were throwing snowballs..
- WW Oh, I see..
- HM ...And.. uh.. we were the targets.
- WW On the sled ?
- HM Yes, on the sled...and the driver of course did'nt want the horses to get hit.. by a snowball because he might rear and.. or.. really run..
- WW Yes....sounds nice.
- HM (chuckles) .. It was...good, I liked that myself.. doing that.. riding..

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because....imagine, well.. there are a lot of other people.. that are around that have'nt been on a ride and they have'nt seen a horse shod.

- WW Did you do this once, or more than once ?
- HM I think of only once.
- WW And how old do you think you were ?

HM Oh.. I was about.. seven or eight...maybe I was....nine.

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WW Did you have an accident with a bicycle when you were 7 or 8 or 9?

HM Well.. it's the oldest one I think...the oldest of.. the 9.. or more.. 9 or 10. It happened when.. a bicycle hit me.

WW A bicycle hit you ?

HM A bicycle hit me where I had.. uh.. several stitches taken out.. right over the forearm.. forehead.. and.. uh.. it happened just before a Fourth

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of July.. because on that Fourth, I remember it too, that.. uh.. we.. er.. went up to..

uh...Springfield Massachusetts.. to.. uh.. Forest Park, and.. the people of course seeing me with the way this was...well.. "You must have been up early and got at it" (laughs)....and everybody thinking it was a firecracker in a way that went off.

WW Where.. where were you living when this happened ?

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HM We were living in Hartford Connecticut.

WW On what street ?

HM And.. I think of .. Maple Avenue.

WW And how did it happen ?

HM Well, I was coming home.. and crossing the street...

WW Coming home from what ?

HM From the Park, Colts Park..

WW Yes..

HM ...And it was right at the.. where.. right at the playground park...crossing over the street to a place where the sidewalk was...that

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went...over across.. that cut through....and this kid came down the hill....coasting along, without a light or anything on, and.. hit me.. as I was crossing.

WW It was dark at the time ?

HM It was partially dark...and.. more...well you...you would'nt see him, he was dark himself.. and the road of course being dark, and you would'nt see.. and the.. being a slant

and it was...towards the...the hill.. itself.. uh...the face of it was facing east and it was.. west, so he did'nt.. uh...coming this way at you.

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- WW And he knocked you down?
- HM He knocked down.....of course.. this.. having the stitches and the black eye, you see.
- WW Were.. were you knocked out by the.. impact, or did you get home by yourself, or what ?
- HM No, I did'nt go home, because I was taken.. to have something done right away because in a way I was bleeding...one thing though.. and I was glad.. I was pretty lucky; I was'nt wearing glasses.

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- WW Uh.. did you start wearing glasses before that ?
- HM I did wear glasses before that, but I did'nt wear them continuouslythere was a time where I.. uh.. just .. re .. used them more for reading, and for schoolwork...and when it got dark.. and.. uh.. was.. and was'nt anything to read or pictures to look at or anything like that.. then would'nt naturally.. would'nt have them on to use...because things were.. looked better.
- WW Did you have many hobbies when you were young ?

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- HM Well, I had some.
- WW What sort of things ?
- HM ..Well, in a way....we were...I liked guns...and.. well, the National Rifle Association....I belonged to that.. you see.. and.. uh.. well...I did'nt do much shooting. But I liked to read about them and what other people had been doing...
- WW Anything else, besides guns ?

- HMUh.. think of hiking.
- WW hiking ?
- HM Yes.. but.. that is.. uh.. more of a....certain area...as you could call it.
- WW Did you make models, or anything like that ?
- HM Yes, I did make some models, but never.. uh...
- WW What of ?

- HM Which kind, you mean .. ___(??) .. uh...the .. uh .. made the solid model of a boat too.. and I made the kind you use.. of a racing car, the larger kind.. you use ... for it.. they want.. uh.. all the wheels and everything and.. uh.. other part metal.. it was all metal.. and then.. uh.. model air-planes.
- WW What kinds of model airplanes ?
- HM Uh.. both kinds, but I preferred the solid model.

WW The what model ?

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- HM The solid model.. then the flying model.. or the bamb.. well...I say bamboo, it is'nt bamboo.. it.. uh.. very like wood....
- WW ...Did you...uh...did you...what...what were the names of the aircraft you made models of ?
- HM More the.. uh.. well, reciprocating motors.. stuff, and the.. well older

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vintage shall we say.. uh.. yes.. airplanes and not the newer kinds.. even though they...

- WW Which particular types ?
- HM World War One...
- WW Do you remember the names of any airplanes ?
- HM I think of the Spad right off...World War I...and.. of course that was uh.. I liked to.. well...say a jet...and I.. did make.. uh...even though

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they are non-flyable models, I made models of them.. uh.. that were solid plastic models.

WW Of a jet ?

HM Of a jet.

- WW Which jet?
- HM And it was an.. XK.. it was 'nt.. uh.. in the...production, it was an XK.. and.. uh.. something.
- WW Well...XK.. what XK ?
- HM It was one of the first models they put in that.. the jet model.. uh.. fully jet.

WW Yes .. what did that do ?

HM Well, fighter plane.

WW It was a fighter plane?

HM I think of fighter plane right off...um .. single .. man naturally .. flying it .. and .. uh .. no bombardier or .. mechanic or .. uh .. co-pilot or anything, just that one man...piloting it.

WW Now, Henry, I want to show you some pictures. I want you to see

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what you can tell me about them What do you think that's a photograph of ?

- (1) *See page 144(a) for description of photographs.
- HMWell....there I have an argument with myself because I think of a tree right off, right there....when I saw it.. and...but I think of

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..the ground, and this is some kind of a.. a cast.. that had been made.. and I can't.. out of a shoe.. of some kind.. with those rivers that's all.. and being round in the back there......I drew the conclusion right off.....

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WWWho do you think that is ?

HM I think of Lana Turner right off.

WW Uh-huh....it's not Lana Turner, it's somebody else.

HM No it is'nt. that's what I mean, I thought of Lana Turner right off, but like that....well......I think of her.. uh.....

WW The name begins with M

HM Monroe.

WW That's right.

HM Last name Monroe.. and I had that before you said the "M". But I

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was'nt.. I had the Monroe part, but I was'nt sure.

WW What's her first name ?

HM And I just think of Vivien right off.

- WW No, no..
- HM But it is'nt Vivien Monroe...and.. that's why I was holding back.. to get the full name...
- WW The first name begins with M too.
- HM ...Marilyn.
- WW Yes.
- HM ...Monroe.
- WW Do you remember any movies she was in ?
- HM ...No..
- WW Did you ever...did you ever see her in the movies ?
- HM I think I have seen her in the movies, but I don't remember the

movies at all. I say "at all" in a way, but...possibly little things.. er.. might be about the...picture I don't.. in a way I don't look at the actors or the actresses, I look at the picture itself and the results of it.

- WW Do you think she's still alive ?
- HM ...and....I think of "No", right off.. and I think of.. when..t hat she

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was shot....uh.. in the Midwest..

- WW Marilyn Monroe was ?
- HM ...And I have an argument there...and I think of...I don't know if it was the.. someone was killing someone else, and she was killed along with them.. or if it was a wife, or someone went in and killed her, alone.
- WW Why.. why would a wife or somebody do that ?
- HM Because she was fooling around with the husband.
- WW Oh, I see.... What do you think that's a picture of ?

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- HM Well...
- WW Do you know who that is ?

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- HM I think of Johnson right off.
- WW Johnson ?

HM	Yes, the President being sworn into office, taking over office, he was Vice-President and
	naturally he took over office

- WW That's right, that's quite right..
- HM And...that's his daughter and that's his wife.
- WW What's his daughter called ?
- HM ...uh...I think of Vivien right off.
- WW Who was he taking over from ?

- HMAnd....I don't know.
- WW Why was he taking over ?
- HM Because.. assassination....then I think of Roosevelt.
- WW Uh-huh.. you think this man was after Roosevelt ?
- HM He was after....both Roosevelts, Teddy and Theodore...I(?) say(???).. I said

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(laughs) Teddy and Theodore...I meant Theodore and.. uh...the.. other

Roosevelt....see...FDR...Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

- WW That's right. Why do you think he's being sworn in in this funny place, peculiar looking place ?Where do you think it is ?
- HM ... I think it's a...uh...cupola or room, that.. uh.. he has...set

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aside specially for himself to be.. that ceremony to be done in..

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- WW Yes, I see...... Now......Do you know who those two are ?
- HM ...No, I don't.....

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WW ... Do you know who that man is, and why he looks so pleased ?

- HM Well...I think of Nixon right off...and.. holding his fingers up in.. the sign of V.. for victory.. because its.. he'd won...victory.
- WW He'd won?
- HM Yes.

WW	What had he won, do you think ?
HM	I think of Presidency right off.
WW	When do you think this was ?
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HM	inI can't I don't knowI think II thought of a 7 after it that wasa 7 in
	itthat was all and I could'nt make up my mind now, 57, 67, no, no77 then noso
	I could'nt remember just what it was.
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WW	Does'nt matter What do you think that's a
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	photograph of ?
HM	I think of the other side of the moon.
WW	The other side of the moon ?
HM	Yesthat's what I think of right off.
WW	Who do you think took a photograph of that ? How was that taken ?
HM	I think that was taken by a rocket that fired around it, and came back to Earth.
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WW	That's right. Did it have people on board it ?
HM	AndI think there wastwo on itand I and as I said two I thought of threebut still
	that two is predominantandthey had of course did not land or anything, they came
	back to Earth.
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WW	Has a rocket-ship ever landed on the moon ?
HM	Hm ?
WW	Has a rocket-ship ever landed on the moon ?
HM	Yes, I think there is a rocket-ship that has landed and is sending radio signals or
	something or similar back to Earth.
WW	Have men landed in a rocket-ship ?
HM	And I can't say yes, and I can't say no
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WW	Do you know who any of the people in that photograph are Do

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	you know the woman in the middle ?
HM	Uhthink of Pat Nixon right offandhim I can' think ofbut uhis'nt he
	a French uh Premier or something ?
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WW	He may be, he may bedo you know who that is ?
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HM	I think of Kruschev.
WW	Kruschev ?
HM	That's what I think of right off, Kruschev.
WW	Who's he ?
HM	Well, he's a Russian, Theodore Kruschev
WW	Theodore ?
HM	I think it's Theodore or is it Angus
WW	Or is it what ?
HM	Angus.
WW	Those are'nt Russian names, I don't think, are they? Theodore might be. I think it begins
	with an N.
HM	Nikita.
WW	That's right ! That's right, very good, Henry.
HM	N- I-K-I-T-O.
WW	I-T-A.
HM	Is it I-T-A?
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WW	YesThat's very good, HenryDo you know what that's a picture of?
HM	Oh wellI think of the picture of the moon uhand
WW	Why do you think it's a picture of the moon ?
HM	And thereand I think it is a picture of the reverse side of the moon.
WW	What makes you think it's a picture of the moon?
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HM	Andwell, the way the craters are andthere's so many little ones, little
	cratersnotice the little ones over here too and uhhorizon is not give uh definite
	form, like you'd expect Earth to be, if it was a picture taken of Earth, then you'd
	seethere'd

be a little curvature right there, of the horizon, but there you don't(?) see any curvature.

- WW Is that because the Moon's bigger, or smaller...or...or because the photograph was taken near to the ground, or...?
- HM It was taken nearer to the ground.. and of course the moon is smaller.

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- WWDo you know who that might be ?
- HM Well that's a Pope....and.....he was killed.. by...I think of an assassin right off.

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WW You sure ?

HM And there...I have an argument with myself though....because I think of him dieing also, of some.. illness, serious illness, that he contracted and would not...well he did'nt have it.. and even when he did...he always said he did'nt, and he died...and.. uh..

WW What was his name?

HM I don't know his name.....can't think of his name at all....

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- WWDo you know who any of the people there are ?
- HM ... I think of Pat Nixon.....and.. the eldest son...
- WW What's he called ?
- HM ...Oh.....think of Pat....uh.. Junior.
- WW I don't think he's a Nixon myself.

- HMthe similarity of a Nixon.. the look...
- WW Yes....what about.....
- HM (???) __(??) in a way.
- WW What ?

HM The similarity, the facial feature and everything looks similar.

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WW Do you know who these people are ?

HM I think of the Rolling Stones right off.

- WW Rolling Stones? Who are the Rolling Stones ?
- HM And I think of.. Rolling stones were the singers.
- WW Yes.. what sort of music ?

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- HM Jive music.
- WW Uh-huh.. what about them ? They're not the Rolling Stones...
- HM They're not the Rolling Stones...no, I did'nt think they were because I thought there was five.. Rolling Stones.
- WW That's right.
- HM And, I can only see four there.
- WW Their name begins with B.
- HMuh.. B.....I know they're brothers....they're naturally four

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brothers.. (laughs)...because there's four of them there.....and...but I can't think of their names.....

- WW Beatles.
- WW Did you ever hear of them ?
- HM B-E-A-T-L-E-S, the Beatles.
- WW That's right, do you listen to them ?
- HM No, I haven't.
- WW But you know how to spell their name?
- HM hm.?
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- WW You know how to spell their name?
- HM Whose names ? .. See, I'm sorry, I went into a spell...just as you were asking the question and everything.. I sort of.. popped right out...
- WWWhat do you...what happens.. what do you feel when that happens?

HM Don't feel anything in a way and.. it's just that.. uh...well.. I guess you could say.. like waking up in the morning. When an ordinary person wakes up in the morning they come...and.. to a realization of

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things....that I guess you could call it.. more realization of.. and.. well.. the big question mark that you have yourself of course, you wonder what the heck it is now, because you know that you've been awake before, because you remember that in a way, but...not in a way you...but.. not remembering in a way, but you know that you've been awake, then that little blank spell and you wonder what has been going on there.....because there might have been something an awful lot

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and you don't remember, and like you.. even though you heard...you.. could'nt tell if was...what the person said or anything like that....you wonder.. yourself.

WW Well all I asked you was what was....uh...

HM The names.

- WW I can't remember myself now !Oh yes, the Beatles.
- HM Beatles.....I was.. uh.. thinking of names, trying to think of the...

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uh.. I was thinking of first names of the Beatles and....can't think of them.

- WW You thought of another singing group, did'nt you?
- HMI can't think of it, no
- WW Anyway, that's fine.....now, what's this picture of ?

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- HM Well, it 's a man walking on the moon.
- WW You reckon?
- HM Um? That'd be the first photograph of a man walking on the moon.
- WW ...Do you know the name of anybody on the moon...went to the moon...what do they call them?.....astronauts.

- HM Ah, the astronauts...and.. right as you say astronauts I think of...uh...how there are some going around.. and.. some.. guys that.. uh.. four of them.. trying.. call themselves "The Astronauts" and they are trying for .. to .. five(??) ... __(??) __(??) of them...they call themselves the astronauts singing....
- WW The astronauts....
- HM Yes.
- WW Singing ?
- HM Well, they <u>call</u> themselves the Astronauts, they are not...
- WW Ah...they're a singing group ?

HM They're a singing group.

WW And what sort of music do they play ?

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- HM Well, jive music...they don't play...music, they.. uh...sing it.
- WW I see...
- HMMore the popular....
- (13)
- WW Do you know who that is ?
- HM Well, I think of Kennedy right off.
- WW What name ?
- HM And.. Ted.. Theodore.
- WW What happened to him, is he still alive ?
- HM And I think of.. uh.. being shot, by an assassin.....

WW Why was he shot?

- HM ...Well, the assassin was paid to shoot him, that's why he was shot, in a way.....because.. uh.. gain control.. over the...what they wanted to put their own man in.
- WW In where ?
- HM In the Presidency.
- WW Did they do that ?

HM No....because it.. uh.. more of it came out then, and understanding of it, everyone was understanding it more.....

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- WW So who's this ? President....?
- HM I think of Kennedy right off.
- WW Where was he shot ?
- HMWell.. I have an argument with myself.. of.. uh.. Detroit....or.. uh Des Moines...Iowa..
- WW Yes.. why...yes.. it was a town beginning with D.

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- HMAnd another one came in.. Dayton...Florida...Florida.. (chuckles).. and..
- WW No there's another town beginning with D.
- HMDetroit.
- WW No.... D-A.
- HMDallas, Texas.
- WW That's right....

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- HM ...That's right...well that...because when...the D-A and when I said Texas afterwards ..
 uh.. I thought of.. uh... that.. that it is.. it sort of dri(???).... you could say jibes.. in a way...it seems.. it went right along...because I know it was Dallas and he was shot in, and I always think of...well, Texas, and Dallas.
- WW That's right. And how was he shot?

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- HM Well. he.....uh. shot I believe by an assassin...and....uh.
- WW What was he doing ? Giving a speech ?
- HM He....I think of him giving a sp. I think of him.. uh.. out in the open anyhow...standing up to others...so.. others...that he was paying the

- respects to .. and this man.. on the roof...shot him...assassinated him.
- WW Uh-huh. What was the name.. who was the guy who shot him ?
- HM ... I think of Wallace right off.
- WW Wallace ? What was his first name ?

- HM ...And.. I have an argument there...I thought of Robert..
- WW Robert Wallace ?
- HM ...um....right like that.....
- WW Um.. I think the man who shot him, his name began with an O.
- HM Oswald.
- WW That's right.

- HM ...And...I don't know.....is it Robert Os....Oscar Oswald?
- WW You know, I can't remember myself, Henry.
- HM (laughs) ...Well, see I'm trying to remember that one too...
- WW I think it was.. actually, now I think that it began with an H, his first name...... Do you know who that is ?

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- HMWell...I think of Frank Sinatra, right off in the middle, that's being shot.....
- WW Do you think it must be in a movie, or what?

HM Ah.. uh.. and I think of Boston.

- WW Frank Sinatra being shot in Boston?
- HM I think that's it.. and.. uh.. I have an argument with myself though.. of Boston and.. or was it out through.. was it.. not out through.. but was

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it in Dallas....and then.. then Detroit comes into the picture.

WW Where who was shot?

- HM Um.. Sinatra I think...the man in the middle.
- WW Who's he being shot by ?
- HMand I think of...thought.. I think I said that right off.. I.. probably wrong, the Oswald, that 's what I thought.. I thought of Oswald too.

- WW Where ? ...what ? Do you think that's Oswald ?
- HM No...that one. (pointing to Ruby)
- WW So Oswald is shooting Frank Sinatra?

HM Frank Sinatra.. in Detroit.

WW In Detroit?

HM Well, see, he's pointing(????) it (?) in the stomach, but naturally it's in Detroit (laughs)...

WW But why.. who was Oswald ?

HM ..Oh.. well I think of him as.. uh.. ____(???)...guess you could call him....er .. did'nt like the way that he was doing things, singing and .. uh ..

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other things around and thought .. and .. uh.. also the wives .. that he'd had, and probably causing .. his .. er .. that man's sister .. some trouble in a way.

WW I see. Do you think he was right to shoot him ?

- HM No...naturally he was not right...because .. after all .. it's .. uh .. what's...it's .. one right does not...kill another right...
- WW No, that's quite right.
- HM And there's...one wrong does not kill another wrong (chuckles)...

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WW Do you know who that is ?

HM I think of Kennedy...

- WW Yes, what's his name?
- HM I think of Robert, right off...Robert Kennedy..

WW What happened to him ?

HM And I think of him being shot....and then.. by an assassin, that was shooting his brother..Pat...I say Pat right off.. like that (clicks fingers).. but he was shooting his older brother.

WW Yes. What was his older brother called ?

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- HM ...And....I thought of.. I said Pat right off, shooting Pat right off but.. I did'nt think of that.. it was Patrick....no.....can't think......was he....
- WW You're right it is Robert Kennedy Why do you think that's funny ?

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HMWell.....it's a wonder of the.. uh.. the mother of course going out of the room.. but seeing "The Pill, the Pill" and all the.. like soap suds in a way that there's been raised there...she can't do <u>any</u>thing, however she has to do <u>every</u>thing.. she...both ways of looking at it...as you could say.. because the pots and everything.

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- WW Why.. what's the...why's she saying "The Pill, The Pill"?
- HM She is'nt saying "The Pill, The Pill"....it's the little girl that's saying to the boy.
- WW Oh, I see, yes....that's right...why's she saying it to the little girl.. little boy ?
- HM Well...to.. point out to the boy that that's what it was that.. the little pill that the mother possibly had dropped in to make the soapsuds(?) and .. and maybe.. she thought maybe well, it was more than one pill that she had put in, and that got.. that's why she'd got so many.

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- WW Do you know who that is a cartoon of ?
- HM ... I think of Nixon....and.....well.. I think of Patrick Nixon....or Pat Nixon I think of too.
- WW No.. I.....Nixon is President now.
- HM Now.
- WW And his name is Richard.
- HM Richard Nixon .. and his..
- WW Dicky..
- HM And his daughter is ..
- WW His wife ..

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- HM His wife is Pat .. I knew there was a woman in there, that's why....
- WW He's got two sisters .. two daughters.....Nixon has two daughters.
- HM Two daughters ?So one of them's Pat.

WW No, his wife's ..

- HM No .. his wife's Pat .. and I think...could you say.....
- WW Ah .. do you remember my name

HM No, I don't.

WW Begins with W.

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- HM ...I think of W.. Warner right off...but.. er.. that is someone that I knew.. in...er.. uh.. well, that my mother knows too...used to visit the house.
- WW What do you do when you're at home, in Hartford ?
- HM Well...I learned how to rewind electric motors...
- WW Recently, after your operation, what do you do?
- HM I don't know.
- WW Do you stay at home all day ?

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HM I know I don't g.. I don't believe I go out....to work or labour or anything.. then I must stay at home.. or...there I have an argument with myself too...do I...er.. why....why do I stay home.. and...what the...like I said that argument with myself in a way.. and I wonder...but

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I know that....well.. whatever's being done, is done right.

- WW But why do you think you stay home ?
- HM Well, whatever's learnt is learnt.. and that's more important.
- WW Yes, but why do you, when you're at Hartford..
- HM Why I'm in Har .. in Hartford..
- WW Why do you stay at home and not go out to work or anything like that
- HM Well...because I would forget.. uh.. when getting through work, to come home.. and the way home...
- WW So you'd do too much work..
- HM Or.. I would forget just the job that I was going into, and maybe not

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arrive at that job.....if there was a specific job that I was supposed to be on, and I did'nt go to that.. and I went in but did not go on that job.. and just wandered around interrupting all the other people in a way...that.. hurts them.. and the things that have been done or they were doing.....naturally and...then.. you would'nt be completing your work...because you'd just wonder which is which.....

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- WW Why do you.. what happened.. what......why do you think this is ?
- HM Well.....well I think of an.. ah..operation and then.. uh...I have an argument with myself right there.. uh.. did the knife slip a little...or.. was it

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..uh.. a thing that's naturally caused by...it naturally.. when you have this kind of an operation...

WW That caused what ?

HM This.. uh.. well, loss or you could say loss of memory in a way.. uh.. but not.. uh.. the reality.

WW Not..?

HM To be....re.. realistic to yourself in a way, to reality.

WW ... You're saying you can't be realistic, or you can be ?

HM Well. its. uh. you can be realistic in a way, but. you really think

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things out.. more.. and get.. all of them.

- WW All of them ?
- HM Get all the ends and then put them all together and then always think about and decide then....instead of .. figuring along one way only in a way, you figure them all around, and then go through it again, and then .. take your own ___(??) ___(??).

WW This is what you do?

HM That's what I'm thinking...that what I'm thinking of.

WW You think.. you think this is something you do different from other people ?

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HM Because, well, most people when they just think, they think things through .. once, and they are able to pick out before what they have thunk...I say "thunk", that's not a word (laughs).. but.. uh.. what they have thought, and.. uh.. they know.. they're able to pick it out, from memory and everything...where.. you run through it, and then go through it again. You run through it, and you find out what's good, but you go through them all again and that, because you know which

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one is good...but you go through them all, to get the bad ones too...instead of get the good one right off.

- WW What.. what sort of things are you talk.. thinking about...? Like good things and bad things, that you go through them all decisions ?...thoughts ?
- HM Well.....thought you're wondering just...the thought yourself, you have is.. it.. how is it going to affect others....not just what..

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way you are you're thinking, but see, is it going to be.. is that the way to do it.. now.. maybe someone else wants it that way, or they want it that way, and.. you have the little.. mental argument I guess you could say, with yourself.. what they.. uh...what you think..is...right that way ...in the mental argument.. and if it.. if you don't put things down directly yourself and say, "hm , that's the way it's got to be done," even if you've thought of all the other ways, that's the way !

WW What has to be done ?

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- HM Whatever it is that you are sent to do…I say "sent".. or whatever you are doing...any job that you are doing...what it is.. you think of possibly all the ways, that you know, definitely....
- WW And you're saying that you have difficulty deciding.. which..
- HM Which..
- WW Which way to do it..?
- HM Because you want to do it your way.. but if you do it your way, you have the mental reservation that.. well maybe the boss or somebody will say something else...
- WW But.. but why does that affect you more than other people ?

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HM ...Well.. because you try to do both ways at the same time...and that way you can get all jumbled up...

- WW Yes. But why do <u>you</u> try to do it both ways at the same time, and other people don't...usually ?
- HM Well, I don't know.. what they are thinking....and how they are thinking.....
- WW So you're saying that when you're trying to do something, you're trying to think of too many things at once ?

- HM Well you're trying to think of just how he wants it or, how the boss wants it and how some...they want it done, and yourself....and you think of both ways and then you get mixed up, because you want in one way.. to do it your way and you want it the other way and you do both ways at the same time and you get.. there's the clash.
- WW Yes, well there would be. But sometimes the way you want it done and the way other people want it done is the same, right ?
- HM Yes, it is sometimes....but not all the time...because and you know

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the little.. ways...of doing it...that help that.. particular thing that you are doing, to be better maybe...than another person that just well say, had looked at plans or something and possibly seen other things that were.. someth...similar things like it, and noted.. written.. the notification written down on it, the size and everything, they don't know.. uh.. or feeling of it.

WW Yes, well, that makes sense, but I don't understand why you should

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especially.. this should especially trouble you; is it because of your memory ?

- HM Well, in a way it is, because then you try to do it both ways.
- WW Why do you try to do it both ways ?
- HM ... I don't' know..
- WW I mean, what is there specially about the memory.. your memory, that makes you want to try to do things both ways ?
- HM To get it right.....
- WW So you think you're more worried about getting things right than other people ?

- HM You want to get things .. right and .. you .. one way .. if you do it .. the way another person wants it done and everything, and the way they say it and everything .. it .. uh .. maybe alright, for them, but you'd forget just that...afterwards...after you'd done it in a way ... you'd forget it, you would'nt have it built up yourself, and do it your own way...because if you do it your own way, then you remember it more...but if you're thinking of it, "Well, that's done, that's the job, what's the next one"....
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- WW Yes, but, what do you .. why do you need to remember ... why should one need to know anything more ?
- HM Well just how to do it ... because they can find .. sometimes they can find .. short cuts .. in a way, they can find better ways of doing something and I say the short-cuts might be better ... because sometimes they might do something all the way along where they could have done it at the beginning and helped everything else ...
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- WW So you mean that by not having a very good memory, so you can't improve the way you do things?
- HM Well, by not remembering .. uh .. the things, you can't improve them, and you can't remember ... either way, the good way and the bad way, and you can't put them together and figure them out that way.
- WW Oh, I see, so you can't tell whether something's good or bad, I mean, a job you've done is good or bad, because you can't remember which is the good way and which is the bad way.
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- HM Yes, that's the way you'd put it that way... if you had two things in front of you and you did them, one way is good.. and you.. which way is which... now they might.. what.. they.. uh.. you call bad, someone might.. want it all that way... but the way you call good, don't want them.... don't want it that way, and if you did it all that way, that's.. what good is that?

WW I see.. because you can't remember which way you should be doing it?

- HM Yes.. because then.. can't remember it can't.. uh ... figure it out just.. uh.. remember it..uh.. you want to do it, like I said yourself, the right way... but you can't remember which it is the other person wants it.. that way.. or that way..
- WW Do you think about this a lot?

HM In a way, yes...

WW Why do you think.. I mean, in what sorts of situations does this

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come up?

HM Well I ... I don't think of any particular situation.... in a way... but it coming up as... well, the help it can be to you, but also to that other person.... do it if you did it your way and vice versa.. and then you have the argument with yourself.. then.... and you wonder to yourself, well. well, one way is better now... then

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you argue, of course, that argument... and that the.. uh ... you wonder... really wonderto yourself which is which... because maybe the way, that you said that he said is the way you thought.. and vice versa.. you know, just vice versa in a way.. and, just the way it turns around and.. the way, well.. you wonder, to yourself... now if he said

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you know one thing... then he said not to do it your way, but if you did it that way and it's your way, and he said the other way... well, you're doing wrong...

WW OK, well.....

HM That's what I think of right off too, is... the best thing to do is the best... is the <u>right</u> thing right..

End of Session Four (last session).

(the key to the picture naming task and the cartoon about the Pill are on the final page)