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Dear Jerry

Finally answering your letter + I believe ^{it} will clarify all the information you want.

Am enclosing certificate showing Dad's (may he rest in peace) birth-entry to M.E.H. School 9 years of graduation. If I remember correctly Dad attended a school at 3rd & Caroline which doesn't exist any more or a school at 5th. or 7th. in LombardSt which he graduated from before entering High School. At that time which would take in the year of 1900 we lived at 838 So. 3rd St. You also want to know where we or Dad lived in 1910. If my memory fails me not we lived at 224 Chandler St. but I think Dad lived in 4th with Aunt Fannie (may she rest in peace) at that time. I am not sure

Now about Lead's appointment
 to Annapolis to the Navy Academy
 I think if you write to Annapolis
 & ask for a duplicate of Lead's
 appt. & a duplicate letter from
 the President ^{at that time} commenting on whether
 graduated him on the appt.

Theodore Roosevelt was
 president at that time. I
 think the appt. was either
 1906-1907, about that time.

Try & I am sure they have
 the records & they will in-
 form you. You have nothing
 to lose & much to gain. I
 if I was able to get the
 the H.S. records I am sure
 you ^{can} get the records from the
 Navy in Annapolis & the
 records pertaining to that
 letter.

One more question which I am happy to be able to answer unfaltering. Strange as it seems the name "Fleet" has never had any "skys" or "wityo". It has been Fleet in Russia from where my parents came from, Fleet in America. My Pop (may he rest in peace also) told us his name was Fleet always & he knows of no other lang, slant or whatever you wish to call it. From what I know, pseud names were usually given to you or rather should I say to him from the kind of work one did or character etc. Especially the refugees that fled from one country to another. The word "Fleet" means

in Jewish "Flea". The people
 "Flea". While I don't know
 my father's history from
 which country his parents
 or rather great grandparents
~~immigrated~~ or fled from, I know
 that grandma's great grand-
 parents or maybe one or two
 generations back were refugees
 from Spain during the period
 when ^{the} Jews either had to
 convert to Christianity &
 change their names or flee,
 escape to some other country.
 Probable my father's side ^{of the family} were
 also refugees & fled some
 country. However, as far as
 my father knew his name
 was Fleet. Fleet in the America
 means a group of ships which
 you know. I hope I made

myself clear & answer your question

I know you will be glad to know that Joe Glynn was on the air, 3 weeks in succession on "Winnier take all" & he was

a Wire Recorder

a record player (Phonograph)

75.00 original suit for Roy

50.00 Robardin Water repellent coat for Roy

High red Raincoats for Roy

Amelia Earhart luggage

Westinghouse Fridge

250.00 Bulava wristwatch with 2 diamonds "yet"

Baby carriage

Crib

Bassinet for baby

Silver cocktail shakers from a Party N.Y. Jewelry

Silver cigarette lighter

" " case.

We have, at least one "guy" that knows all the answers. We are glad he belongs to our family.

"Yes?"

I was sorry to read that Ethel is
troubled with hay fever. Is there
no cure for that? or hasn't
medical science advanced that
far? I hope she is feeling fine
again. And how is Jessie? She
is a little Miss Prim & a little
mother's helper. She must be
admirable. Shy & constantly
talking. She will grow up to
be very good looking, tall
& intelligent. I am sure you
both will be proud of her.
How is mother? Is she in
a better frame of mind. Is her
health good. It will take a
long time Harry before she
gets over her loss, if ever.
I hope she will adjust
herself to her new ^{way of} life. Her
blessings are yours, Ruth &
your mates which will
compensate some.
Harry tell mother I will

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write to her soon. Tom's
is the 1st coal mine. This
hot weather tires me out
much & I don't have much
patience ^{to write} before I get started.
after I get started, well
you can judge — a 7 page
letter isn't to be sneezed at
Meray. I hope you will
pardon the pencil writing
errors etc. in this letter.
my love to each & everyone
of you, and a big kiss to
little Susie.

Good health & good luck.

From

Aunt Sophie.