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**CI: The Notice in the New York Times**

(Kroch: In some families there’s someone famous for being able to tell what was going to happen before it happened; was there anybody in your family like that?)

Ab 1 Yeah, there is an instance.

Or 2 Dad was being driven out from town-ah-by his chauffeur.

3 This was a good many years ago.

4 And he had the *New York Times*,

CA 5 and he read in the *New York Times*

6 and noticed that—the death of a person

whom he knew

but he knew was a very close friend of George Jensen.

7 George Jensen lived in Chestnut Hill.

8 So Dad said to the chauffeur, “Stop at Mr. Jensen’s house

on the way home

’cause I want to commiserate with him.”

9 So they did stop

10 and Dad went in

11 and Dad said, “George,

I’m so sorry to hear about the death of-”

12 I don’t know his name,

Ev 13 and George Jensen said

“I don’t know

what you’re talking about,

14 If he had died,

I would have been one of the first people to know.”

CA 15 And Dad said,

“Well it’s in the newspaper,

16 I’ll go out to the car

17 and get the newspaper.”

18 Went out

19 and got the newspaper,

20 came back

21 and he and George went through the newspaper,

Ev 22 No sign of this death notice,

CA 23 And just as they were finished perusing it,

the telephone rang from somebody in New York

telling George Jensen that,

guess

he’d died.

Ev 24 But there was nothing in the newspaper.

Rs 25 Dad brought the newspaper home.

26 My sister

—guess George was home at the time—

and I all went through the newspaper, meticulously,

Ev 27 Couldn’t find anything.