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Appendix “C”

Disclaimer

The events in this book are true, more or less. Numerous identities and details were changed in order not to offend or embarrass anyone. In describing events of the era, we generally used the vernacular of the day to give the reader a truer feeling or “flavor” of the language of people and the mores and events of the period. We say it as we experienced it and hope the reader is not offended. The authors and publisher have attempted to ensure material found in this book is as accurate and up to date as possible. We apologize for any errors or inaccuracies found. Any remarks slighting people, products, or companies are unintentional. Some terms and phrases referenced in the text (including in the appendices) may be registered trademarks, service marks, or other product names or titles owned by others. These terms and phrases are used in an editorial fashion for reference only, and no endorsement of the referenced individuals, goods, or services is implied.

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Appendix “C”

Annotated Resources

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1. INTERNET SEARCH TERMS AND WEBSITES

(Where indicated, use quotation marks for Search Terms. Some websites take a little longer to open, so please be patient.)

a. New York City

Search terms:

- Blackout [November 9, 1965] (Power failure in the Northeast)
- Emma Lazarus’s sonnet, “The New Colossus”
- New York City images
- New York City pictures
- Welcome to New York City, city guide (Original DVD 60 min.) (Contemporary New York: 22 sites visited.)

Websites:

- Forgotten New York City (Neighborhoods and street scenes).
<http://www.forgotten-ny.com/index.html>
- New York City maps of subways, streets, etc.
<http://www.gonyc.about.com/od/maps/lbl/centralpark.htm>
- NYC: Official Website. From 1939 to 1941 and 40 years later, city workers photographed each building in all boroughs for the purpose of taxing real estate property. These photographs can be purchased by scrolling to the lower right side of the page:
<http://www.nyc.gov>

Tenement Living Conditions

Search terms:

- Child bathing in sink [George Eastman House] (in a tenement building)
- The History Box: Tenement Life: Visual Tour (Photos of early tenement living conditions in New York City.)
- Kitchen in cold-water flat in Perry Street, Greenwich Village [George Eastman House] (Kitchen in tenement building.)
- New York 1940—Bowery [George Eastman House] (Driving under the El)
- New York City, Tenement Life

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- N.Y. tenement family gets fresh air on a hot day [George Eastman House] (Surviving the heat.)
- Street play in the early days—N.Y. [George Eastman House] (We built these scooters.)
- Tenement Life 1860—1910 [YouTube] (Photos with music and movie of poor living conditions).
- Tenement Museum—New York City (Explore a tenement building in NYC.)

Websites:

- Tenement clotheslines:
<http://www.loc.gov/pictures/resource/cph.3c07329/>
- [NEW] • Memories of WNEW Channel 5 – New York!!! [YouTube] (12.31 minutes)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JEfotdZCguk>
- [NEW] • New York City Gallery of Municipal Archives: over 870,000 photographs
<http://www.nyc.gov/html/records/html/gallery/home.shtml>
- [NEW] • New York City Historic Photos
<http://www.theatlantic.com/infocus/2012/04/historic-photos-from-the-nyc-municipal-archives/100286/>

Trains/Transportation

Search terms:

- 3rd Avenue El
- 3rd Avenue El: 89th Street (1954 Photo by Joe Frank)
- 3rd Avenue El—early 1950s [YouTube] (Excellent scenes on, in, and around the El).
- 3rd Avenue Elevated in New York City [YouTube] (Wabash Cannonball tune.)
- The End of the Third Avenue El [YouTube] (Last journey of the El prior to being demolished, 1955).
- Andreas Feininger: The Bowery under the shadows of the Third Avenue El (1940)
- Images for historic subway photos
- IRT East Side Line: 77th Street—NYC subway resources (Photos and mosaic art work.)
- IRT East Side Line: 77th Street—NYC subway resources (Photos and mosaic art work.)
- IRT East Side Line: 86th Street—NYC subway resources (Photos and mosaic art work.)
- IRT Manhattan Wood El Cars (Photos of old subway and El trains in New York City.)
- New York City subway history, photos
- New York City subway photos
- A ride on the 3rd Ave El—1950s New York City [YouTube]
- Third Avenue El
- “The Vanishing El” [YouTube]

Websites:

- All about the NYC subway system with historical photos.
<http://www.nycsubway.org>
- Picture of 77th Street & Lexington Avenue neighborhood IRT subway station mosaic (built in 1918). Photo by Roberto C. Tobar.
<http://www.nycsubway.org/perl/show?92965>

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- Picture of 86th Street & Lexington Avenue neighborhood IRT subway station mosaic (built in 1918). Photo by Roberto C. Tobar.
<http://www.nycsubway.org/perl/show?97332>
- Picture of subway train approaching 89th Street on the 3rd Ave El (1954). Photo by Joseph Frank.
<http://www.nycsubway.org/perl/show?26048>

b. Manhattan

Search terms:

- Commerce High School, New York, New York (Classmates & alumni.)
- High School of Commerce (King's views of New York) (Photo of our school.)
- "The High School of Commerce, New York City" (The School Review, Sept. 1903)
- Images for Central Park, New York City (photos throughout the seasons)
- Manhattan Board (bulletin board for former residents)
- Manhattan, New York
- Manhattan, New York photos
- Manhattan Zip Code Map
- Zip Code Map, Manhattan, New York City, NY--Citidex (Manhattan zip codes)

Websites:

- Major Manhattan neighborhoods: (Credit to USATour-ist.com)
<http://www.usatourist.com/english/places/newyork/neighborhoods.html>
- Manhattan in motion: Mindrelic. See the city in time-lapse photography.
<http://vimeo.com/24492485>
- Manhattan map: Central Park
<http://gonyc.about.com/od/maps/l/blcentralpark.htm>
- Manhattan Zip Codes (New York County): Double-click on Manhattan island to expand the map showing distinctive ZIP code boundaries (a) 10065 covering 60th to 69th Street; (b) 10021 covering 69th to 76th Street; (c) 10075 covering 76th to 80th Street; (d) 10028 covering 80th to 86th Street; (e) 10128 covering 86th to 96th Street, all of which make up the Upper East Side. Select any of the six toolbar choices presented.
http://www.zipmap.net/New_York/New_York_County.htm

c. Upper East Side

Search terms:

- East Side House Settlement—Wikipedia
- East Side Settlement House
- Manhattan's Upper East Side pictures (Collage of pictures)
- Our Town—East Side Manhattan news

- Settlement House
- Upper East Side
- Zip Codes for Upper East Side, New York City [10021; 10022; 10028; 10065; 10075; 10128]

Websites:

- Manhattan Neighborhood map: Upper East Side.
http://www.gonyc.about.com/od/manhattan/l/bl_uppereast.htm
- Upper East Side landmarks, demographics, cultural and educational institutions, movies, television programs, books and famous residents. Read license terms at:
<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Upper_East_Side

d. Yorkville

Search terms:

- Carl Schurz Park
- “Carl Shurz Park, New York City” [YouTube] (A great video where we walked and played as kids by Gracie Mansion and the fireboat station, roller-skated, rode our bikes, played in the sand and on the swings and cooled off under the sprinklers. (Note: [sic] No “c” in this Shurz title.)
- Gracie Mansion (Mayor’s residence)
- Green Dougherty (Forum for Yorkvilleites)
- Horn & Hardart Automat
- Jan. 26th, 2011 Snow storm in Yorkville, Manhattan [You-Tube] (2011)
- “John Jay Park, New York City”
- A Look at Old Yorkville, one story at a time [*OurTown*] (Yorkville stories, July 28, 2010)
- Lost City: Lost City’s Guide to Yorkville [April 13, 2009] (Past and present photos of ethnic shops.)
- Lost City: Old Yorkville memory [Feb. 23, 2011]
- Lost City: Yesteryear’s Yorkville [June 10, 2011] (Pictures and comments of old Yorkville)
- Memoirs of Yorkville
- My Yorkville memories (Gotham Center)
- NYC: Manhattan hoods—Yorkville [August 16, 2008] (Neighborhood photos)
- NYC: Manhattan hoods—Yorkville Skyscraper City [December 31, 2005] (More photos)
- Our Town: Upper East Side & Community (Yorkville stories by Tommy Pryor)
- Real Estate video—Yorkville, Manhattan (Great video of Yorkville)
- Yorkville: A neighborhood recalled [Dec. 7, 2006] (Read and post text, comments, pictures, reviews.)
- Yorkville, Manhattan | Facebook (About folks who lived there in the late 1950s and 60s.)
- Yorkville, Manhattan (Gotham Center)
- Yorkville Manhattan neighborhood pictures (Collage of pictures.)
- Yorkville Manhattan photos (Collage of photos)
- Yorkville Message Board (forum to reconnect people)

- Yorkville Message Board | Facebook
- Yorkville: Stoops to Nuts (Centanni Broadcasting Network) with Tommy Pryor (Neighborhood Storytelling Program)
- Yorkville: Stoops to Nuts (Stories, photos devoted to neighborhood places and characters)
- Yorkville Stories

Websites:

- Apartment building directly across the street from our ground-floor apartment at 410 East 81st Street where Frank's Bar and Grill (buildings 405, 407, 409) was located:
http://www.greendougherty.com/yorkville/yorkville_streets_81st_crowd1.htm
 - Facebook: Yorkville, East Side of Manhattan in New York City. About people who lived there in the late 1950s and 60s. (View Wall, Info, Discussions, Photos.)
<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=51910996750>
 - German American Bund (Marching parade on 86th Street):
<http://www.loc.gov/pictures/resource/cph.3c17148/>
 - Gotham Center discussion boards search: Yorkville, Manhattan. People sharing stories about growing up/living in Yorkville.
<http://www.gothamcenter.org/discussions/viewtopic.php?id=415&p=1>
 - Lots of comments and photos of Yorkville by those who lived there:
A New York City Community site forum for Yorkville, the Upper East Side, and East Harlem. Create a family website. Reunite with others via photos, videos, and message boards.
<http://www.myfamily.com>
 - The Original Yorkville Board's Message Board is an open forum.
<http://boards2go.com/boards/board.cgi?&user=marty&page=1>
 - Yorkville, NYC and map. Streaming neighborhood photos. Click on (1) Photos and Videos, and (2) Maps and NabeSpots.
<http://nabewise.com/nyc/Yorkville>
 - Yorkville sounding board. Click on Yorkville Project, Videos, and Dougherty's Additional Links (Get More Information) for everything you wanted to know about Yorkville. Also click on Yorkville Message Board for comments/pictures by former Yorkville folks.
<http://www.greendougherty.com>
- [NEW] • Yorkville Blog
<http://yorkvillennyc.blogspot.com/>
- [NEW] • Yorkville Public Library
<http://www.nypl.org/locations/yorkville>

Ethnic Matters

Search terms:

- Czechs in Yorkville, Manhattan [Do similar searches for other nationalities.]
- German Broadway (East 86th Street in Yorkville)
- German movement in New York City
- German traces NYC: Carl Schurz Park (View "German Traces Map" for the Germans in Yorkville, Manhattan)

Websites:

- The Yorkville/Kleindeutschland Historical Society. Its goal is to preserve the history of Yorkville’s ethnic Germans.
<http://www.yorkville-kleindeutschlandhistoricalsociety.com/contactus.html>

People**Search terms:**

- Famous people from New York
- Notable residents of Yorkville, Manhattan
- Notable Yorkville, Manhattan residents

Websites:

- More famous Yorkville people.
http://www.greendougherty.com/yorkville/yorkville_families_famous_people1.htm
- Search: Famous people from New York.
<http://www.worldatlas.com>
- Yorkville, Manhattan: More notable residents. Read license terms at:
<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yorkville,_Manhattan

e. Memories, Dances, and Songs**Search terms:****MEMORIES**

- American Memory from the Library of Congress (Browse collections)
- Do you remember
- Do you remember—slang (Slang words of the past)
- Do you remember these?
- Memory Lane
- My Yorkville memories (Gotham Center Discussion Boards)
- Radio and Television programs of the 1940s, 50s, and 60s (adventure, cartoons, comedy, drama, family shows, games, kid shows, westerns)

DANCES

- “Beer Barrel Polka” — Myron Floren [YouTube]
- “Edelweiss” (from the *Sound of Music*) [YouTube]
- “Hungarian Czardas” [YouTube]
- “Moonlight and Roses” — Jim Reeves [YouTube]
- “*Tales from the Vienna Woods Waltz*” — Johann Strauss II *Geschichten aus dem Wienerwald* [YouTube]

- “The Blue Danube Waltz” — Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra
- “The Blue Skirt Waltz” [YouTube]
- “The Pennsylvania Polka” — Lawrence Welk [YouTube]

SONGS

- “America the Beautiful” [YouTube]
- “Anytime You’re Feeling Lonely” — Cindy Clark [YouTube]
- “Kate Smith Introduces ‘God Bless America’” [YouTube]
- “*Lili Marleen*” in German — Marlene Dietrich [YouTube]
- “*Muss i denn*” — Marlene Dietrich [YouTube]
- “New York, New York” — Frank Sinatra [YouTube]
- “On the Sidewalks of New York” — Nat King Cole [YouTube]
- “On Top of Old Smoky” — Hank Williams [YouTube]
- “Rock of Ages” — Johnny Cash — Softly and Tenderly [YouTube]
- “*Sah ein Knab ein Röselein stehen*” [YouTube] (“*Heidenroselein*” by John Kelly & Maite Itoiz, May 5, 2007.)
- “Take Me Out to the Ball Game” Edward Meeker, September 1908 [YouTube]
- “You Are My Sunshine” — Elizabeth Mitchell [YouTube] (Nov. 24, 2008)
- “You’re a Grand Old Flag” [YouTube]
- 1950s Rheingold Beer Ad [YouTube]
- German Beer Song [YouTube] [N.B., “Song,” not “Songs”]
- Songs of WWII
- WWII Songs

Websites:

- 1960s slang words.
http://the60sofficialsite.com/Do_You_Remember_The_60s_Slang_.html
- American Memory from the Library of Congress. Access to print, audio, video media documenting America. Browse collections by topic, date, media-type, place, or search terms.
<http://www.memory.loc.gov/ammem/browse/index.html>
- Music and songs of yesteryear. Do you remember these?
<http://oldfortyfives.com/DYRT.htm>
- Musical video bringing back memories of the 1940s.
<http://objflicks.com/decadeofthe1940s.html>
- Oldies but Goodies: Internet Television Programs of Yesteryear.
<http://www.oldiestelevision.com>
- Step Back in Time: Memory Lane [Previously Classmates.com] (Travel back in time to yesteryear via nostalgic movies, pictures, music, television and radio, old magazines, etc.).
<http://www.classmates.com/memorylane/>
- [NEW] • Star Spangled Banner
<http://kids.niehs.nih.gov/games/songs/patriotic/anthemmid.htm>
- [NEW] • Statue of Liberty Inscription song
<http://kids.niehs.nih.gov/games/songs/patriotic/libertymp3.htm>
- [NEW] • This is My Country
<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/diglib/ihis/loc.natlib.ihis.200000021/default.html>

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f. Twins

Search terms:

- Facts and figures about twins
- Famous parents of twins
- Famous twins
- List of twins—Wikipedia
- Psychic twins
- Twins
- Twins' psychic experiences

Some well-known twins:

- Elvis Presley and Jesse Presley (died in childbirth)
- Ann Landers and Abigail Van Buren
- Jena and Barbara Bush
- Liberace (twin died in childbirth)
- Leigh and Leslie Keno (*Antiques Road Show*)
- Drew and Jonathan Scott (*Property Brothers*, Canadian TV)
- Tyler and Cameron Winklevoss (Facebook fame)
- [NEW] • Julianna and Marissa Lee (*Natural Born Sellers*, realtors HGTV)

Websites:

- [NEW] • Twins things
<http://twinsy.wordpress.com>

g. Miscellaneous

Search terms:

- Housatonic River, Oxford, Ct.—Flood—04-17-07 [You-Tube]
- Stevenson Dam, Oxford, Ct. [YouTube]

Websites:

- Birth events. To find out what events occurred in the year of your birth, go to:
<http://www.datesinhistory.com>
- High quality royalty-free or low-cost stock images using search terms.
<http://www.dreamstime.com/>
- The Pledge of Allegiance, its meaning and history.
<http://www.wvsc.uscourts.gov/outreach/Pledge.htm>
- Virtual Address. Type in any NYC address or your home address and see what appears (e.g., Virtual homes 410 East 81 St, NY; 420 East 81 St, NY).
<http://www.vpike.com/>

2. ORGANIZATIONS

Community Board 8 of the City of New York

505 Park Avenue, Ste. 620.
 New York, New York 10022
 (212) 758-4340; FAX: (212) 758-4616
info@cb8m.com
<http://www.cb8m.com>

This advisory board represents the Upper East Side and Roosevelt Island with concerns directed to city officials.

George Eastman House, International Museum of Photography and Film Collections

900 East Avenue,
 Rochester, NY 14607
 (585) 271-3361
<http://www.eastmanhouse.org>

The story of photography & motion pictures. Search for a term (e.g., tenement) and make a selection

Friends of the Upper East Side Historic Districts

966 Lexington Ave, #3E,
 New York, NY 10021
 (212) 535-2526; FAX: (212) 535-2155
info@friends-ues.org
<http://www.friends-ues.org/>

Friends of the Upper East Side Historic Districts, founded in 1982, is an independent, not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to preserving the architectural legacy, livability, and sense of place of the Upper East Side.

The Gotham Center for New York City History

CUNY Graduate Center,
 365 Fifth Avenue, Rm. 6103,
 New York, NY 10016-4309
 (212) 817-8460, FAX: (212) 817-1541
gotham@gc.cuny.edu
<http://www.gothamcenter.org>

The Center provides links to history-related sites and neighborhood stories used to explore New York City's past. Good discussions, resources, books, forums. Use Search Terms.

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 14 million images by topic, collections.
 Prints, photo reproductions for sale.
<http://lcweb.loc.gov/rr/print>
 Digitized prints & photo online catalog.
<http://www.loc.gov/pictures>
 Images listed by topics.
<http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/listguid.html>

Library of Congress Duplication Service

For photo reprints
<http://www.loc.gov/duplicationservices/>

Lower East Side Tenement Museum

91 Orchard Street,
 New York City, NY 10002
 (212) 982-8420; (212) 431-0233; FAX: (212) 431-0402
<http://www.tenement.org>

Tour a tenement apartment on the Lower East Side to learn about immigrant families who lived there in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Visit the office and Museum Shop. Tours begin at 108 Orchard Street.

Manhattan Chamber of Commerce

1375 Broadway, Third Floor,
 New York, New York 10018
 (212) 479-7772; FAX: (212) 473-8074
info@manhattancc.org
<http://www.manhattancc.org>

Provides detailed demographic data for each Manhattan zip code. Type in a term or zip code.

Museum of the City of New York

1220 Fifth Ave. at 103rd Street,
 New York, New York 10029
 (212) 534-1672; FAX: (212) 423-0758
<mailto:info@mcny.org>
<http://www.mcny.org>

Click “Collections” to view thousands of images of NYC (search by photographer, era, borough); “Shop/Books” to view their book collection.

New York Historical Society Museum and Library

170 Central Park West,
New York, NY 10024-5194
(212) 873-3400; FAX: (212) 595-5707
info@nyhistory.org
<http://www.nyhistory.org>

New York’s first museum and one of America’s oldest independent research libraries with over 400 years of American history through the prism of New York. Hundreds of thousands of artworks, photos and prints, and millions of manu-scripts can be viewed.

The New York Public Library

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building
Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street
New York, New York 10018-2788
(917) 275-6975; (212) 930-0641; FAX: (212) 930-0849
<http://digitalgallery.nypl.org/nypldigital/index.cfm>
<http://www.nypl.org>

Access to over a half-million digital images (photos, manuscripts, prints, posters, etc.) of New York. Search “tenement” images, etc.

The New York Public Library Photography & Prints Collection

Miriam & Ira D. Wallach Division of Art,
Prints and Photographs. Study Room 308
(212) 930-0837; (917) 275-6975; FAX: (212) 930-0530
phgref@nypl.org
<http://www.nypl.org/research/chss/spe/art/photo/photo.html>

Collection of over half a million photographs and prints.

Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, Inc.

American Family Immigration History Center®
17 Battery Place, #210,
New York, NY 10004-3507
(212) 561-4588
<http://www.ellisland.org>

The place where most immigrants entered to be checked, processed and either sent back to their homeland due to sickness, or allowed to enter the United States of America. Search for ships’ passengers and family history. This research center is located at Ellis Island in the museum.

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http://www.twinsdays.org

Their two-day annual event takes place in Twinsburg, Ohio, on the first full weekend in August when thousands of twins and other multiples participate from around the world.

3. REFERENCES

a. Yorkville

- Bodnar, Theodore A. "Letters: Yorkville recalled." *New York Times*, July 3, 1983.
- Boland, Kevin N. *One Day as I Stood Lonely: Yorkville*. Bloomington, IN: Xlibris, 2010. [258pp.] Boland grew up Irish Catholic during the 1940s and 50s in what was considered a very tough neighborhood in New York City. His memoir describes his friends and how they banded together for mutual amusement and protection. This is an easy and fun read which draws the reader onto the streets to share vivid and sometimes frightening and dangerous experiences that became a formidable part of Boland's growing up. It is an historical and social account of an era gone by.
- Ellis, Rosalind, "A Plan to Preserve Yorkville History," *Our Town*. Upper East Side News & Community (New York), May 4, 1980.
- Jastrow, Marie. *Looking Back: The American Dream Through Immigrant Eyes: 1907-1918*. New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 1986. [202 pp.] This is a memoir of the Jastrow family's early years in America from the turn of the 20th century to the end of World War I. There are many period photographs and narrative discussing their early life growing up in Yorkville. The Jastrows lived at 526 East 81st Street between York Avenue (then, Avenue "A") and East End Avenue—just one block east of where we lived. The patriarch of the family found success in America as measured by freedom and that what was highly valued was one's ability as contrasted with one's birthplace. Jastrow paints an accurate portrait of Yorkville life and harrowing living conditions during that time period.
- Jastrow, Marie. *A Time to Remember: Growing up in New York City Before the Great War*. New York: W.W. Norton Company, 1979. [174 pp.] Her story is one of intra-family conflict with the patriarch's stubborn attitude to retain his traditional ways in this new land versus his spouse and children's desire to break tradition and to assimilate into the new American society. Born in 1897, Jastrow came to America at age 10 and wrote her

first memoir at age 82. She describes Yorkville in detail, including life as an immigrant around 1900 (when our grandmother came to America). Her mother worked at a bakery on 81st Street and Avenue “A.” In 1991, Marie died at 93 in Tucson, Arizona, 30 miles north of Green Valley where Tante Ida moved, lived and died at age 94.

Leone, Olga. *74th and York: Growing Up Czech in New York*

City. Tucson, Arizona: Ghost River Images, 1998. [351 pp.] This memoir depicts Olga’s early Czech upbringing and childhood experiences in Yorkville during the 1920s and 30s. It shows how old country traditions and family values provided her with life-style tools needed to make it in the new world. She describes family travels around town and in the country, visiting friends and other family members. Born in 1920, she lived in various apartment buildings (1382 and 1396) on York Avenue where Uncle Tom and Peggy lived (at 1374 York Avenue). Olga was a writer and artist and wrote about her first 18 years growing up Czech. In 2007 She died at 87 in CT, after first moving to Green Valley, Arizona. Ida’s son Carl knew her, since he was a caretaker in the building where Leone lived.

Lofaso, Anthony. *Origins and History of the Village of Yorkville in the City of New York*.

Bloomington, IN: Xlibris, 2010. [126 pp.] Lofaso’s book traces the historical progress of Yorkville from 1776—1885 (even into the early 20th century) and describes two influences on Yorkville’s development. With the arrival of mass numbers of immigrants living in overcrowded housing with poor sanitary conditions in lower Manhattan, there was a need to improve their lives. That need was met by (1) cheaper available land in the north, and (2) reliable and inexpensive transportation (streetcars, railway system and the “El”). These factors helped play a significant growth in the development of Yorkville’s working class neighborhood that flourished for over seven decades. As families headed north it caused an explosive growth in the construction of tenement apartments with running water and enclosed toilets. Lofaso should have been a history professor as he clearly describes the changes taking place in regards to streets, avenues, places, and the movement of people. “Origins” includes great photos and prints from historical organizations as well as Lofaso’s own collection, and describes stories of important leaders and shakers, with citations throughout its ten chapters. It is an informative and engaging read.

Survey—East Side House (11-12-07).

<http://www.fordham.edu/images/academics/programs/baahp/eastside.pdf> [viewed February 14, 2012.]

b. Yorkville related

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also lived at 420 East 78th Street,² adjacent to 418 where our parents later lived. His family moved to an apartment at 166 East 96th Street³ near Lexington Avenue, where he made communion and was an altar boy at St. Francis de Sales Roman Catholic Church (135 East 96th Street).⁴ In 1986 his funeral mass was held there.⁵ Cagney graduated from P.S. 158⁶ (as did our brother Tom and cousin Carl) and from Stuyvesant High School.⁷ Cagney attended the East Side Settlement House and its Stepney Camp in Connecticut,⁸ as we and our siblings have done. He also swam in the East River with his friends,⁹ as brother Otto and his friends had also done.

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