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December 3 1956

I got a call To go To Sea when Mrs Logan Badden
Came To my mother house and Told me Mrs Gwen Bush
say come down in The morning That I would Have To leave
on December 5 with a group of men which was Forty
of my Brother Burris has Just Come From Sea about
Today he Take me To George Town To go and get my
Pass Port and Birth certificate I was examine by Mrs
Maudy Seymour I was Sixteen years + month This is
The words she said To me go out There and do not
Throw your money away where you work for Send it
home To your mother + father so it can Take care of
Them, of The FIFTH Day of December 1956 Mr South
well came on a chartered Plane at mid night we all
board and Landed in miami The First in my LIFE I Had
Seen snow Some of The men went To New York Philadelphia
To Join other Ship 7 of us was left and we were
Staying at The Booker Terrace HOTEL near To where
Cracker Jim use To Broadcast I was The Smallest of Them
all The next morning we all went To breakfast so it
was a beautiful lady who serve The meal asked what
each of us wanted some of Them order Eggs + Ham and
said To me not me you have To drink milk + porridge
you are a baby I said no she reply I no what you have To
get in The morning milk Porridge orange Juice we left
several days after and fly To California about Five
Hours or more arrived at mid night stay at Y.M.C.A.

Love on 30 Henry Berry.

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Left The Same day via JAPAN Arrived JAPAN Take Train To Ship yard To await the Petro Queen For her Maiden voyage we left Kure Ship yard via INDONESIA SAMATRA To load with Heavy oil To California and discharge The oil Long Beach after 30 hours our Journey start and I Remain on the Petro Queen For many years going To The Persian Gulf Japan all thru The Suez Canal thru Egypt and around The world Thru Panama canal I can remember it was a war going on in The middle East and a convoy of Ship Come out From Spain heading To The middle East Destroyer, SUBMARINE AIRCRAFT carriers we had To signal every one with Flags + code From The Ship To let Them know we are no Enemy. we then continue on Thru The Suez CANAL after passing Hell gate, we heading in ASIATOWA IRAN we got a call we must go around africa, we could not go Thru Egypt it was a ship Blow up in that area with that Journey going and coming it Take The ship 72 days To arrived in HALIFAX CANADA what Take The ship that long because The Trip Thru AFRICA which called The Cape OF good Hope. Plenty of Bad STORMS on These Journey. around December MTHS I Further State all Eight of MRS IVY + THOMAS WAGNER BARRY BOYS BURNIS BURLIGH FRANK WESLEY ELLINGTON ALFORD LOUIS LORENZO BERRY my Mother had Reclined Every MTHS 8 allatment were Send home and That why god Bless Them That Today we all have a ROOF Over our Head That we can Shelter