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Mrs. Albert Field Gilmore

Grace A. Perkins

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GILMORE, Albert Field

Turner, Maine,

d. Boston, Massachusetts, June 8, 1943

GILMORE, Albert Field, editor; b. Turner, Me.; s. Sidney M. and Elvira (Alden) G.; A.B., Bates Coll., 1892, A.M., 1895; Litt. D., 1924; C.S.B., 1922; m. Katie May Fish; m. 2d, Mrs. Dodge M. Haefele, May 1933. Was. prin. high sch., Kennebunk, supt. schs., Turner and prin. Litchfield Acad. (all of Me.); associated with Am. Book Co., 1897-1917. First reader, First Ch. of Christ, Scientist, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1914-17; Christian Science Com. of Publ., N.Y., 1917-22; pres. of The Mother Church, 1922-23; editor Christian Science weekly and monthly mags., 1922-29; mem. Board of Lectureship, Christian Science Ch., 1930-32; trustee Christian Science Pub. Soc., 1932-; mem. Monitor Editorial Board, 1932. Teacher of Christian Science, Mem. Me. Ho. of Rep., 1901-02. Mem. board of fellows, Bates Coll. Mem. Am. Ornithol. Union, Phi Beta Kappa. Republican. Mason. Club: University. Author: Birds Through the Year, 1909; Birds of Field, Forest and Park, 1918; East and West of Jordan, 1929; Fellowship - The Story of a Man and a Business, 1929; Yes 'Tis Round (story of a world journey), 1933. Lecturer and writer on nature. Home: (summer) 34 Hosmer St., Hudson, Mass.; (winter) Longwood Towers, Brookline, Mass.

WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA, 1934-35

The Christian Science Publishing Society

Back Bay Station, Boston, Massachusetts

Editorial Department

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July 8, 1925

Mr. Henry E. Dunnack,
State Librarian,
Maine State Library,
Augusta,
Maine.

Dear Mr. Dunnack:

Your letter of June 5 has remained unanswered for a long time, as I have been away from my office part of the time during the intervening weeks.

I shall be glad to autograph a copy of "Birds of the Field, Forest and Park" for your Maine collection. I will do this and forward you a copy in the not distant future.

The local Christian Science Church in Augusta was, I believe, furnishing you a subscription to the Monitor. Apparently, it has expired without their knowing it. I will investigate here to see if there is a fund which would supply your Library.

Cordially yours,

Albert F. Gilmore

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January 2, 1932

Dr. Albert Field Gilmore,
206 Massachusetts Avenue,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Dr. Gilmore;-

I note that
you have recently had a new book published, "Yes, 'Tis Round"
and I shall be glad to mention it in our Library Bulletin.
We try to keep in touch with the work of Maine authors and
with books about Maine and it will be a pleasure to add to
our list this new travel book by you. We have in both
the general lending library and in the Maine Author Collection
copies of your delightful "Birds of Field, Forest and Park".
You know about our Maine Author Collection and I hope that
your interest in it continues so that you will send us an
autographed copy of your latest book to add to the collection.

Can you send us a more interesting biographical
account of yourself than the one in Who's Who in America?
We keep in our reference files biographical data about our
authors and we like this to be as interesting as possible.

Very truly yours,

RESEARCH LIBRARIAN

MAINE STATE LIBRARY

June 16, 1933

Dr. Albert Field Gilmore,
206 Massachusetts Avenue,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Dr. Gilmore;-

Thank you for sending us a copy of "Yes,
'Tis Round". We are glad to have this to place with your
other books in our Maine Author Collection and we are glad that
you continue to be interested in Maine and the Maine State Library.

I have read a few chapters of the book-enough
of it to make me sure that I want to read it all. The "Taj" chap-
ter I especially enjoyed. I think that a person is much to be
envied who, having had such an experience as your trip, can create
for himself such a souvenir of the trip as a travel book like
this one.

Signed M.C.F.

The Christian Science Publishing Society

Falmouth and St. Paul Streets

Boston, Massachusetts

Office of
Board of Trustees
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June 10, 1933

Miss Marion Cobb Fuller
Research Librarian
Maine State Library
Augusta, Maine

Dear Miss Fuller:

Your letter has lain on my desk for a long time. Today I come across it again and am sending you a copy of "Yes, 'Tis Round" for the State Library. I shall be happy to be represented there again.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Albert F. Silsbee". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Albert F. Silsbee".

January 28, 1936

Dr. Albert F. Gilmore
Longwood Towers
Brookline, Mass.

Dear Dr. Gilmore:

May we add our congratulations to those of your friends on the publication of THE BIBLE, BEACON LIGHT OF HISTORY. The review which we have recently read in the Lewiston (Maine) Journal is extremely favorable, and we realize that such a work by such an author must indeed be not only interesting but also authentic.

It is with regret that we find we have only two of your splendid books in the Maine Author Collection: BIRDS OF FIELD, FOREST AND PARK and YES 'TIS ROUND. The first is delightfully inscribed, but the latter has no inscription, nor even an autograph to lend it that individual touch which distinguishes the greater number of books in this collection.

We wonder if you would be so kind as to autograph this volume, should we forward it to you. And we would also appreciate your kindness in inscribing copies of your other books, BIRDS THROUGH THE YEAR, EAST AND WEST OF JORDAN, FELLOWSHIP - THE STORY OF A MAN AND A BUSINESS, and the latest THE BIBLE, BEACON LIGHT OF HISTORY. Please include a bill for these books, for we realize that while most authors are willing and even eager to help in this collection, four books is rather a large gift to ask.

We are always grateful for the assistance given and the interest shown the Maine Author Collection by our writers, and we trust you will be kind enough to help us complete your set of books.

May we take this opportunity to express our pride in the achievements of a Maine-born man, and also to wish you future success in your work.

Very truly yours

Maine State Library

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Secretary

Albert F. Gilmore
One. Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

February 3, 1936

Maine State Library
Hilda McLeod, Secretary
Augusta
Maine

Dear Miss McLeod:

Your letter of recent date sent to me at the Longwood Towers was duly received, although I do not longer reside at that place.

Regarding the books. I shall be happy to gather and forward to you the four books which you mention, properly inscribed. Also, if you wish to send me your copy of "Yes, 'Tis Round," I shall be very glad to inscribe it, as you propose, and forward it in the package which I will send you in a little while containing the other books. I am grateful to know that the Maine State Library would be happy to have my books.

Will you please convey my sincerest regards to Mr. Dunnack.

Cordially yours,

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February 4, 1936

Dr. Albert F. Gilmore
One, Norway Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Gilmore:

Your letter, assuring us of your interest and generous cooperation, has been received.

We are mailing to you the copy of YES, 'TIS ROUND for your inscription; and we enclose a return label for your convenience.

We will be very happy to receive the other books for the Maine Author Collection, and will take great pride in the knowledge that the representation of your work is complete.

Very truly yours
Maine State Library

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Secretary

Albert F. Gilmore
One, Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

February 10, 1936

Maine State Library
Augusta
Maine

Attention Hilda McLeod, Sec'y

Dear Miss McLeod:

parcel post
We are sending you by ~~express~~ the four books
which you wished, and the copy of "Yes, 'Tis Round,"
which you sent me for my signature. I am happy to
have these added to the Library of my native State.

Sincerely yours,



AFG:SLP

February 12, 1936

Dr. Albert F. Gilmore
One, Norway Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Gilmore:

The package containing your five inscribed books has reached the library, and it is with pleasure and pride that we have added them to the section of our Maine Author Collection which is devoted to the name Gilmore.

We are very appreciative of your generosity in time and interest, and the bill for the new volumes is going forward for payment at once. You should receive a check for the amount within two weeks.

May we extend to you a cordial invitation to visit the library and the Collection when you are again in Maine.

Very truly yours
Maine State Library

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Secretary

Albert F. Gilmore
One, Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

March 1, 1939

Miss Hilda McLeod, Secretary
Maine State Library
Augusta
Maine

Dear Miss McLeod:

In another mail Mr. Gilmore is sending the Maine State Library, with his compliments, an autographed copy of his recent book entitled "Links in Christianity's Chain." He thought you might like to add this publication to the Maine Author Collection devoted to the name Gilmore.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

Grace A. Perkins

Secretary

March 3, 1939

Dr. Albert F. Gilmore
One, Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Gilmore:

The autographed copy of your new book
LINKS IN CHRISTIANITY'S CHAIN has been
received, and we immediately acknowledge it
with thanks.

We have had opportunity only to glance
at its contents, but it is apparent that this
book has presented a most concise, authoritative
and interest-compelling study of Christian
history.

Please accept our delighted thanks for the
privilege of including this volume in the Maine
Author Collection. We are of course ordering
a copy for general lending purposes.

Very truly yours

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SECRETARY

April 3, 1941

Mr. Albert Field Gilmore
1 Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Gilmore:

WHO WAS THIS NAZARENE? has been added to our list for purchasing. It will be added to the lending section of our library, and secured through a regular book dealer.

We write at present, however, regarding the Maine Author Collection, to which in past years you have shown a most sincerely appreciated generosity and interest. The inclusion of WHO WAS THIS NAZARENE? would bring more than the usual distinction of another book by another Maine author. It would in itself be an outstanding contribution in its field written by an author well-known for his versatility, capability and sincerity.

It would give us pleasure to be able to place an inscribed presentation copy of this book in the exhibit, and we hope that you may wish to make this possible. Please accept our best wishes for a happy reception for WHO WAS THIS NAZARENE?.

Very truly yours

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SECRETARY

ALBERT F. GILMORE
ONE, NORWAY STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

April 4, 1941

Mrs. Hilda McLeod Jacob
Secretary, Maine State Library
Augusta
Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Your letter of April 3 is received in Mr. Gilmore's absence from the office for a month. He is at present enjoying a vacation in the mid-South after which business affairs will take him to Washington and New York. Upon his return at the end of this month, I shall be happy to see that your communication receives his immediate attention, and no doubt as soon as opportunity offers, you will be hearing from him regarding your proposition.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Grace A. Perkins".

Secretary

ALBERT F. GILMORE
ONE, NORWAY STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

May 13, 1941

Mrs. Hilda McLeod Jacob
Secretary, Maine State Library
Agusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

In reply to your letter of April 3,
which has been on my desk for a long time, I
will say that I am sending you by book post a
copy of my latest book with my autograph. I
shall be pleased to have you put this with the
books of Maine authors.

Thanking you for the opportunity, I
am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Albert F. Gilmore". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Albert F. Gilmore".

May 14, 1941

Dr. Albert F. Gilmore
1 Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Gilmore:

You have been extremely kind to inscribe a copy of your arresting and stimulating biography, WHO WAS THIS NAZARENE?, for the Maine Author Collection.

It is an unusually fine book, one which we are proud and grateful to accept for the exhibit. The copy which we are purchasing for the lending section of the library will be certain to fill a definite need and demand; and we are exceptionally pleased that it is the work of a Maine man.

Please accept our sincere thanks for your generous gift, and our congratulations upon the book.

Very truly yours

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SECRETARY

June 17, 1943

Dr. Albert Field Gilmore
1 Norway Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Gilmore:

Your new book, THE CHRIST AT THE PEACE
TABLE, was added to our order list at once,
and we look forward to seeing it soon now.

At present, we write regarding the Maine
Author Collection, to which you have often
shown generosity. We hope that you will want
to inscribe this important volume and present
it for inclusion with your other work.

We trust that THE CHRIST AT THE PEACE
TABLE will have a wide audience. It has
our best wishes.

Very truly yours

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SECRETARY

One, Norway Street
Boston, 15, Mass.

June 28, 1943

Maine State Library
Augusta
Maine

Attention: Mrs. Hilda McLeod Jacob

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Your letter of June 17 to Dr. Gilmore did not reach his hands because of his sudden passing. I have been pleased to take up your proposition with Mrs. Gilmore who, knowing the pleasure Dr. Gilmore had in presenting copies of his books to your Library, has asked me to see that a copy of "The Christ at the Peace Table" is sent to the Library. She regrets, however, that there are no autographed copies on hand. Although the card which I am asking the publishers to enclose with the book is not in Dr. Gilmore's handwriting, perhaps it might serve the desired purpose.

May I just say that "The Christ at the Peace Table" Dr. Gilmore considered his greatest contribution.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Grace A. Perkins

Former Secretary

July 6, 1943

Mrs. Albert F. Gilmore
1 Norway Street
Boston 15, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Gilmore:

Please accept our thanks for your kindness in making it possible to include a copy of Dr. Gilmore's outstanding book, THE CHRIST AT THE PEACE TABLE, in the Maine Author Collection.

We regret that this must be his final book; but surely it is a fitting climax to his work. It is a source of pride to be able to claim the author as a Maine man.

Very truly yours

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