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YOUNG, Erma Thurston

b. Newry May 23, 1892
April 9, 1954

Mrs. Erma T. Young  
c/o Falmouth Publishing House  
Manchester, Maine  

Dear Mrs. Young:

Congratulations upon the publication of your book, YESTERDAY AND TODAY. We have at once placed it on our order list, and look forward to seeing it soon. This will be for the lending section of the library, but at present we write with the Maine Author Collection in mind.

Perhaps you already know of this permanent exhibit collection of books written by Maine people. About two thousand volumes have accumulated over the years, most of them inscribed presentation copies. The inscriptions are as varied as the books, and lend a particular distinction to this unique display. The collection constantly attracts visitors and students, and we are very proud of it, and very happy when we can add a new book ot its shelves.

We hope that you will want to inscribe a copy of YESTERDAY AND TODAY for this collection. And we hope, too, that you will enjoy an encouraging success with this book, so that we may look forward to more reminiscences of Oxford County.

Sincerely yours

hmj  
In Charge of  
Maine Author Collection

PST 4/4/54 clipping given to MAW.  
It said she was born in Newry.
April 10, 1954

Hilda M. Jacob,
Maine Author Collection,
Maine State Library,
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob,

I was happy to receive your letter stating your request for a copy of my recently published book "Yesterday and Today".

It is a pleasure for me to mail you two copies prepaid. One I have inscribed as a gift for the Maine Author Collection and the other one for your lending section and which will be charged to your Library at $1.50.

I hope that it will be enjoyed by the readers of your Library and I am happy to be recognized as a new Maine Author.

Sincerely yours,

Erma T. Young

Bethel, Maine

DHP
April 21, 1954

Mrs. Erma T. Young
Bethel
Maine

Dear Mrs. Young:

Thank you very much indeed for your generous interest in the Maine Author Collection. We are delighted to acknowledge the gift copy of YESTERDAY AND TODAY, and to place this charming memoir on the shelves.

The other copy is being cataloged and will be available to our patrons. We are approving a bill for $2.50, as you suggest.

Surely this book is only the beginning. You must have many more stories, and we shall hope they may find their way into print. Meanwhile, our warm congratulations upon this book. We are always eager for any stories of Maine, and especially welcome are those well-written, authentic books reflecting the Maine scene and way of life.

Sincerely yours

In Charge of
hmj
Maine Author Collection

P.S. We like to have as complete information about our authors as possible, and we do not find your birthdate. You were born in May, in Newry -- right? Would you mind letting us have the rest of the statistics for our authors' biographical file?
Bethel, Maine
April 22, 1954

Mrs. Hilda Jacob
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 21st in regard to receipt of my book. Your personal interest and congratulations were greatly appreciated.

I am inclosing herewith my bill for the book forwarded to the library for lending purposes, the payment should be sent directly to me.

In regard to more complete information about myself. I was born May 29, 1892 in the town of Newry and lived there until we moved to Bethel in the year 1913, where I have lived ever since. All other information that you may need for your biographical file will be found on the cover of my book.

Hoping this book will help many Maine people to find fond memories among its pages, and with kindest regards to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Emma Thurston Young.