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Melvin Thomas Copeland Correspondence

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COPELAND, Melvin Thomas
October 4, 1960

Dr. Melvin T. Copeland
Adams Hill Road
Annisquam, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Copeland:

Your delightful SAGA OF CAPE ANN was purchased for the library, and we anticipate an active life for it. You must have experienced a sense of satisfaction in the publication of this tribute to the area you know and love.

Its arrival here reminded us that the Maine Author Collection lacks your work. This is a serious omission, and we hope something can be done about it.

This collection is a permanent exhibit of the work of Maine people, and of books about Maine. Most of the two thousand volumes are inscribed presentation copies, the varied inscriptions lending a distinctive touch to an already outstanding collection which attracts visitors and students the year round. We also gather biographical and critical material on our Maine writers, to have as complete information as possible on them.

We hope that you may want to inscribe at least some of your books, and especially the latest, to be included in this collection. It would give us great pleasure to be able to place them with the work of other Maine authors.

You have our very good wishes for the success of SAGA OF CAPE ANN, and a continuing happy and busy retirement.

Sincerely yours

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In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

Dear Mrs. Jacobs:

In accordance with your suggestion, I am sending you an autographed copy of The Saga of Cape Ann and also one of my other books - The Executive at Work - for the Maine Author Collection in the State Library.

Mr. Rogers' grandfather, incidentally, published a newspaper in Bangor for some years.

Sincerely yours,

Melvin T. Copeland
October 19, 1960

Dr. Melvin T. Copeland
Adams Hill Road
Annisquam, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Copeland:

What a welcome package! Thank you for your friendly letter and your generous presentation to the Maine Author Collection of your books SAGA OF CAPE ANN and EXECUTIVE AT WORK. You were most thoughtful, too, to know how pleased we would be that Mr. Rogers added his autograph. We are interested to learn of his connection with Maine.

We are indeed honored to be able to place these books in the collection, and send you our warm appreciation for the gift.

Sincerely yours

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