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Mary Hoehling Correspondence

Mary Duprey Hoehling 1914-2004

Shirley Thayer 1919-2001
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For Life & Liberty: Story of The Declaration of Independence
The Real Sherlock Holmes: Arthur Conan Doyle
Yankee in The White House: John Quincy Adams
Girl Soldier & Spy: Sarah Emma Edmonds
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Please return to Shirley Thayer at your earliest convenience.
HOEHLING, Mrs. Mary

Mrs. Mary Hoehling  
38 Ocean View Road  
Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Dear Mrs. Hoehling:

Although the State of Maine does not figure largely in your recent book, GIRL SOLDIER AND SPY, it gives us an incentive to write to you about the Maine Author Collection, particularly inasmuch as you are living in the state, and can be called an "adopted" author.

As you may perhaps know, this is a permanent exhibit collection of books written by Maine natives or those resident here, or books about the state or using Maine as a setting. About two thousand volumes, most of them inscribed presentation copies, make the exhibit; and we gather all possible information, biographical and critical, about our authors. It makes a fascinating and valuable collection, which is of interest and real help to students and visitors. We do not lend the books, but they are available for study and browsing in the library.

Both you and Mr. Hoehling are distinct additions to Maine's literary scene, and we should be delighted if you felt like sharing a place in the collection. Meanwhile, accept our very warm good wishes for a happy continuation of your writing.

Sincerely yours

hmj

In Charge of  
Maine Author Collection
Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Thank you for your letter of June 14th. I am sending my biography of Thaddeus Lowe instead of Girl Soldier hoping it will be as acceptable.

Lowe was not born in Maine, but just across the border in New Hampshire (as actually Sarah was a border incident in New Brunswick) but there is quite a bit more about Maine in this book.

Besides, you already know about Girl Soldier and may wish to buy it, but perhaps did not know about this one, which, incidentally, was an Air Force Book Program selection.

Hope this fills the bill.

Sincerely yours,

Mary D. [Signature]
July 11, 1960

Mrs. Mary D. Hoehling
38 Ocean View Road
Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Dear Mrs. Hoehling:

Thank you very much for sending THADDEUS LOWE to the Maine Author Collection. We are delighted to welcome him.

We already not only know about GIRL SOLDIER AND SPY, but we have known about THADDEUS LOWE; and you will be glad to know that they are both included in our traveling libraries and bookmobiles.

Such factual and readable stories are most welcome, and we hope that you will continue to bring to life these unusual people for the entertainment and enlightenment of young readers.

Sincerely yours

hmj
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