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Gene I. Letourneau

Place of birth: Waterville, Maine

Date of birth: Sept. 12, 1907

Home address: 53 Edgemont Avenue, Waterville, Maine

Publications: Reporter, editor, outdoor writer for Guy Gannett

Publishing Co., from 1929--- ; Outdoor Maine columnist for Down East Magazine; articles in national magazines; contributor to major encyclopedia on fishing, hunting, dogs, outdoors.

Biographical information

Educated Notre Dame Convent, Waterville; High School; Thomas Business College, Waterville. Member of several musical organizations as percussionist ^{SV} included ^{INF} Art Landry's Victor Recording orchestra ^a.
Joined Gannett company as Evening Express-Portland Press Herald correspondent Central Maine area; city editor, managing editor of Central Maine Sentinel at time went full-time, daily outdoor columnist in 1945. Wrote first handbook on streamer fly fishing in 1949 (Secrets of Streamer Fly Fishing); then Sportsmen Say book in 1975 published by Gannett Company. Married Lucille J. Letourneau, June 2, 1934; three children, Dr. J. Alfred; Jeanne Anne and Mrs. Julie Dupont.
Winner of numerous news, wildlife photos ^{contests} including international Associated Press Contest in 1945 with picture of crossing train-truck crash...

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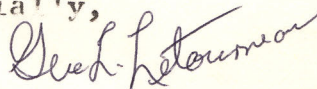
GENE LETOURNEAU

August 4, 1976

Ms. Shirley Thayer:

The Sentinel office will be
mailing you a copy of the book
Sportsmen Say for inclusion
in the Maine Author Collection.
Enclosed is bio sketch requested.

Cordially,



Gene L. Letourneau



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GENE LETOURNEAU

August 15, 1976

To Maine State Library:

Re: Gene L. Letourneau, author
of Sportsmen Say Book.

Please add to resume:

In 1976 he was awarded an honorary
Master of Arts degree by Colby College...