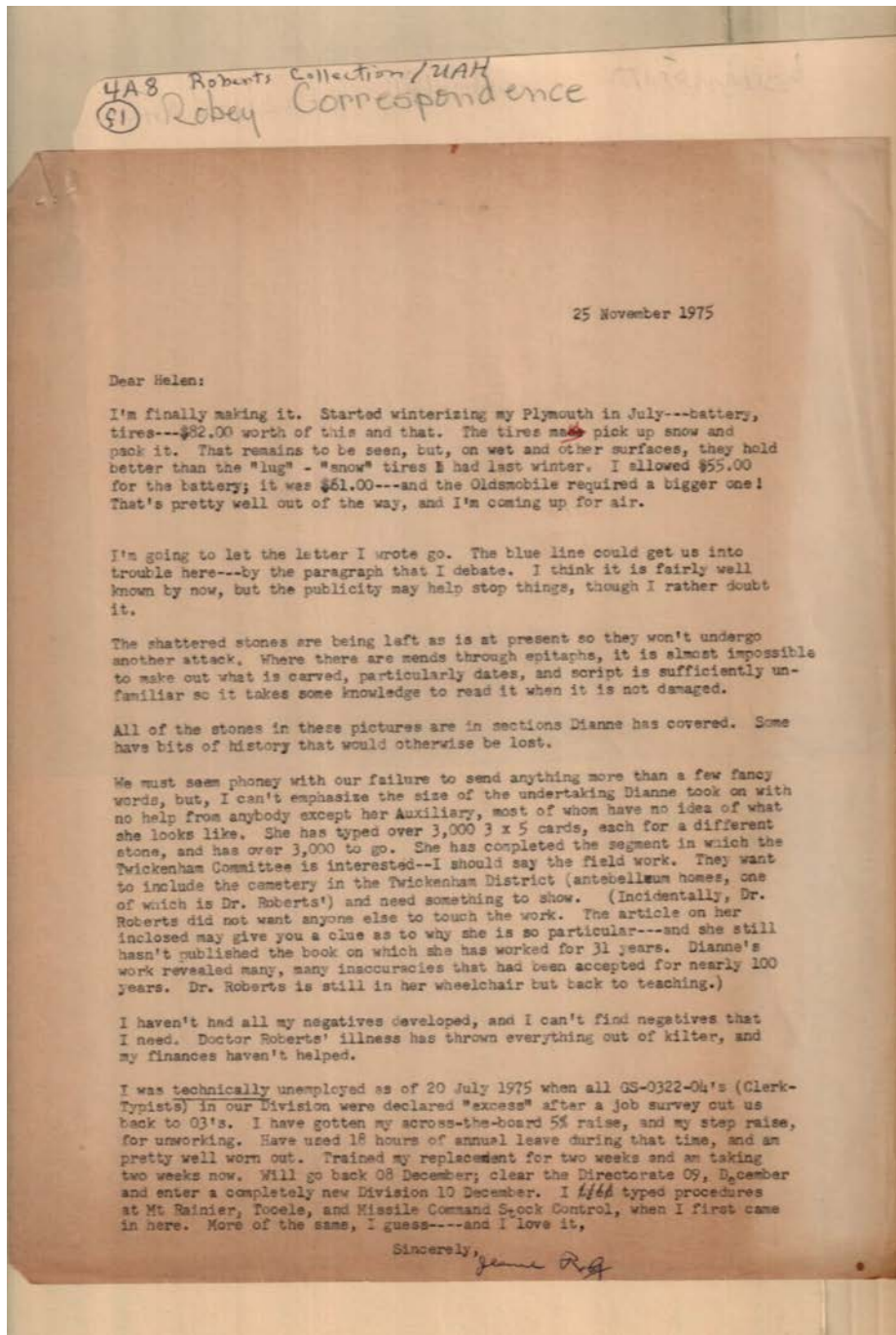


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Names:

Roberts, Dr.
Roby, Dianne

Roby, Helen
Roby, Jeanne

Twickenham
Committee

Twickenham District

Types:

correspondence

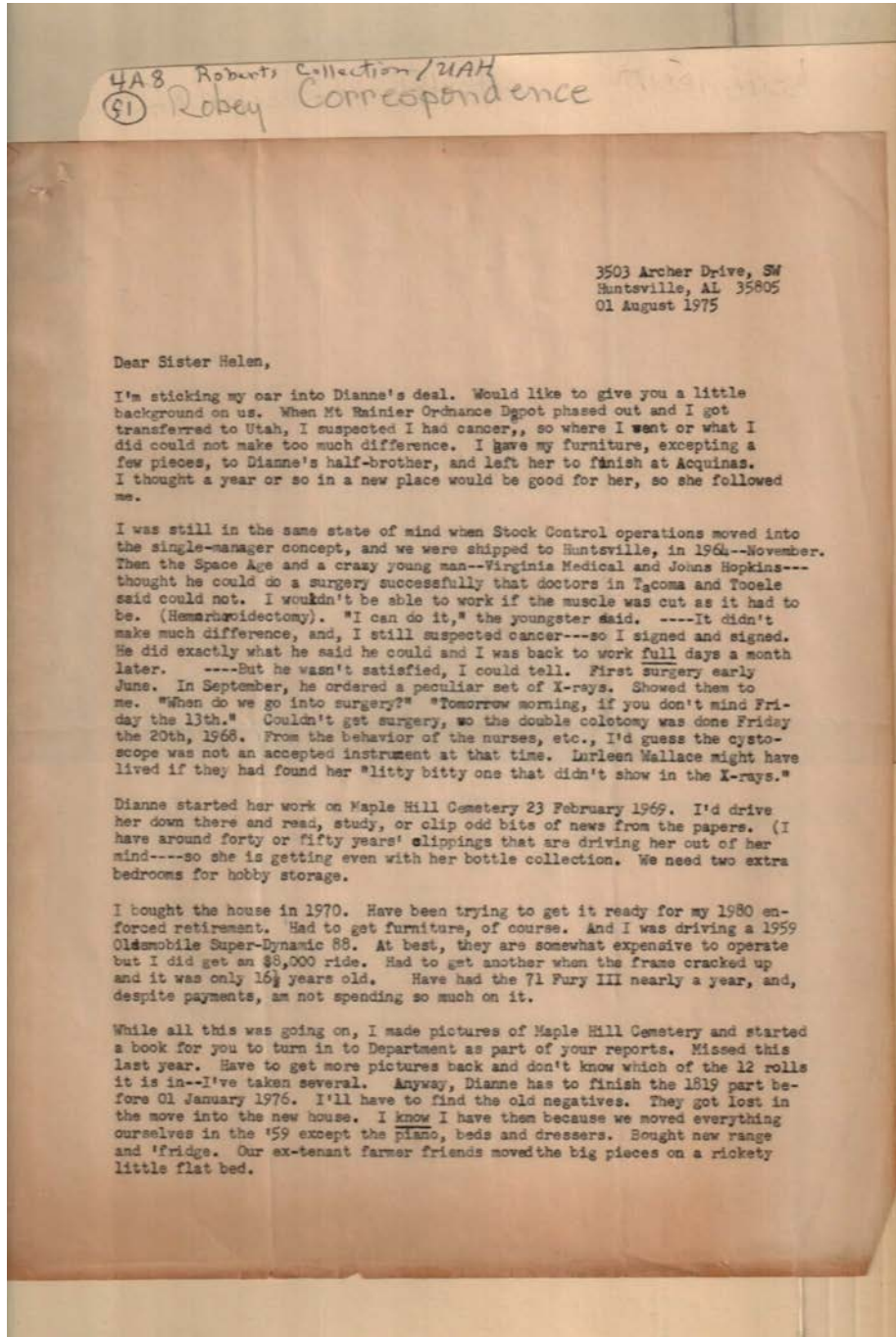
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Names:

Maple Hill Cemetery

Mt. Rainier Ordnance
Depot

Roby, Dianne
Roby, Helen

Wallace, Lurleen

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

August 1, 1975

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① Robey Correspondence

I noticed something in Tacoma that interested the C.I.A. From that time on, there were repeated attempts to vaporize me. Have you ever felt the wind from the wheels of a speeding car on the backs of your ankles? Best one was on North Eye. Car was down on North Eighth. --I had just finished reading a book about Manolete and how he would stand on an 18-inch handkerchief. As the bull came tearing at him, he would step back just enough to let the animal go by. I thought of that trick when I saw the car tearing down on me. Dianne on the sidewalk screaming. Made me mad. I was all right---except that when the driver whipped over to avoid crashing into the 6th and I curb, the rear end skidded on the greasy park side and the back of the thing darned near got me. He made a complete ~~six~~ U-turn. It took us years to figure out why, when ~~me~~ I got oriented, he had disappeared, and Dianne always thought he had come from downtown. He was headed south when I first saw him.

SO---when we had a bullet bounced off the windshield down here, I took it for granted that it was more of the same. ---And that was stupid. They were after Dianne.

Young people have been smashing over the stones in the oldest part---looking for the hollow one known to be the adps drop. The local police figured out who shot at us, verified it in a fantastically simple way. I'm not telling on them, but it took me nearly two years to put the pieces together. ---And I'm so sorry for the poor little guy. He has collected far and above any punishment he deserved for that very beautifully executed caper---and it deserved more success than it got for its beauty. ---My 12-year-old windshield out of Texas made night driving a hideous experience--so I am not mad at nobody.

All of the information on the smashed stones is in Dianne's notes. She has located many Confederate soldier's graves that have never been listed. (She discovered that the Revolutionary here was born in 1768, so he made colonel when he was 11 or so. She ain't got no friends.)

Dr. Roberts has been very ill. Had major surgery for cancer, and went back to work too soon. Got involved in everything she had left---Bicentennial, survey of five counties (ante-bellum homes, etc.) Then she got a virus that had put her into a wheel chair. Dianne had it; missed a week or so at Maple Hill. It hit me in the ball and socket--hip--for a couple of days, and legs were heavy and dead hip to ankle. I stayed on the job, however.

She has been working evenings, but the longest days are so short here. We have a lot more daylight in the winter. Wait till temperatures get into the low 80's or 70's. Waiting in the car is kind of miserable, but I won't let her go alone. If you still have the chart she sent: Erskine Mausoleum down to Office. Section 1 is where she was working at the time of the bullet. She has completed all of that side of the road--and section 9. She is working on Section 23, and 24, 25, 26, and 27 have to be completed before 1976. I'm hoping for the others that make a line with the top of Section 9---but they are outside of the ~~link~~ Twickenham area.

After six frustrating years, we are finally getting reaction. We are sincerely grateful to her Auxiliary for giving her the morale booster she needed so badly in those beginning years. I have encouraged her from the beginning because of the very important people she meets, some of whom she knows well. She doesn't need them any more---because--I have licked the cancer and look forward to a new career (writing) after my retirement in 1980 at age 70.

Loyally yours,
Jeanne I. Robey
Dianne's mother.

Names:

Roberts, Dr.

Roby, Dianne

Roby, Jeanne I.

Places:

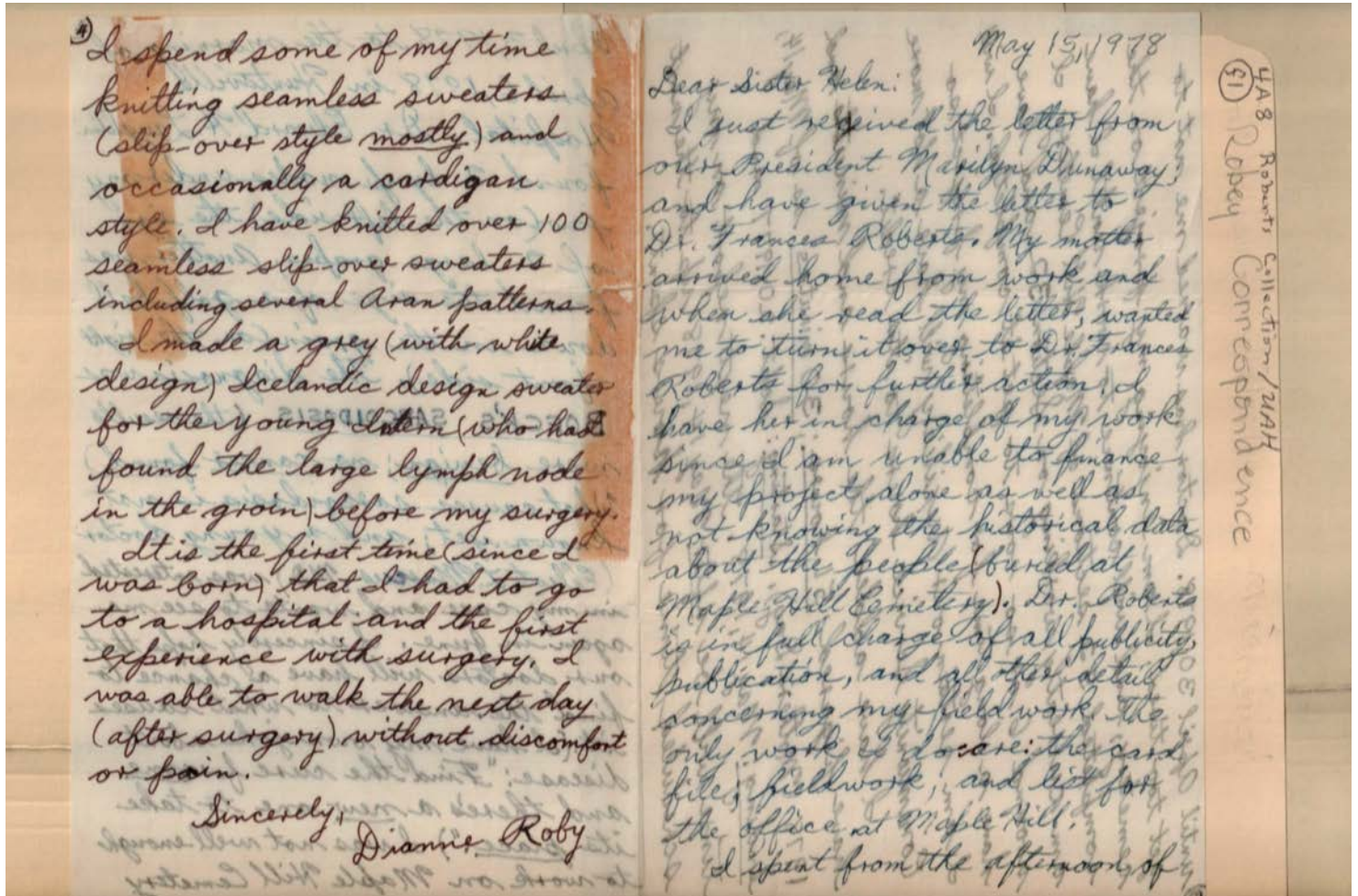
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Types:

correspondence

Dates:

August 1, 1975



Names:

Dunaway, Marilyn
Maple Hill Cemetery

Roberts, Frances, Dr.
Roby, Dianne

Roby, Helen

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

May 15, 1978

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3) until April 30, 1978. Doctor has warned me not to get too tired. I am enjoying my project on the cemetery, and will continue to work until I have completed 52 sections of Maple Hill Cemetery. I am currently working on Section 32 and have around 6 or so rows to get it completed. I will have a long time for completing my project so I am certain our Auxiliary will have a lot more Community Service hours to its credit.

I have added the hours and minutes and have figured: 51 hours; 30 minutes as of May 14, 1978 (Mother's Day). Starting: Sept. 20, 1977 and ending: May 14, 1978. The next report on my time will be after May 14, 1978 up to the next scheduled time for hours spent.

April 3, 1978 to the morning of April 6, 1978 in Huntsville Hospital. Dr. Edward H. Laughlin found 2 lymph nodes and on my jaw (on the left side) the size of 2 large grapes. Another was found the size of a golf ball down in the groin (on the right front side). The diagnosis was **BOECK'S SARCOIDOSIS** (the results were benign; no cancer found) what causes sarcoidosis is not known yet; and a young doctor (Elliot L. Marcus, M.D.) was interested in my case and wants to see me again in June. I sincerely hope that our doctors will have a chance to find the answer to what causes it. (I have my own joke about disease: "Find the cure for one disease; "Find the cure for one and there's a new one to take its place.") I was not well enough to work on Maple Hill Cemetery

Names:

Laughlin, Edward H.,
 Dr.

Maple Hill Cemetery

Marcus, Elliot L., M.
 D.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

April 3, 1978

April, 1978

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