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Dear Mrs. Lapointe -

Want to tell you I found your last two stories in Journal mag. very interesting - that of July 21, on the International Symposium at Quebec; and that on various musical groups of Lew-Aub - Photos in both issues very good, too - quite an accomplishment for those you took yourself, too, because they lose some thing of their clarity in the newspaper reproduction.

I've said it before to you, but it bears repeating: that both you & your husband did a tremendous job in starting that Centre d'Héritage & your stories in Journal mag, often in keeping with Centre belongings are equally valuable. I assume some of the photos used in the F.X. Marcotte story on July 28 probably came from the Centre or will end there eventually,

I don't know the person, who wrote that story, but she did a good job. I knew most of the facts she used, but she had a few I didn't know. It was apparent she had talked with Régina & Lucille Marcotte, nieces with whom F.X. had closest relations in his later years. They are both daughters of Jélas Marcotte, the F.X. brother who was associated with him in the fur, business. Régina was bookkeeper

there until she retired. Another sister of theirs is Mrs. Rosario Dubois - he's retired too, but was long a jeweler on Riston St. & a son of theirs is associated with the F.X. store - Régina sold her share to him. F.X. had a rule ~~that~~ by which anyone to whom he sold a share had to work at the store & it has been followed always. F.X. was quite a man, by any standards! never ill word spoken or written about him & for good reason.

Was happy to read that the Fr. Amer. festival was again successful. That Connie Côté is quite a worker, and her husband member of a family noted for musical talent. Connie was an only child.

Get in touch some time with Rosario Dubois - his mother was one of several sisters (10, I think) all well known in Lew. Through the years, Mrs. Chas. E. Fortin's mother was one of them; also mother to Gélia Robit-Ray who long had a millinery store on Riston St. Another married Régis Brovost - whose eldest son became associated with P & P Fuel Co. Family name of mother was; Guay.

was in Lew. July 2 & 3 but visit too brief for my satisfaction. Came about unexpectedly when Max. Fren's invited me to join her on the trip. She visited friends in Aub. & I stayed with a cousin in Lew. Generally well, but must rest a good deal so can't accomplish too much.

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