

September 28, 1956

Kate Holliday, 'Syngman Rhee'

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Summary:

Kate Holliday sends a poem to Syngman Rhee.

Original Language:

English

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Original Scan

SYNGMAN RHEE

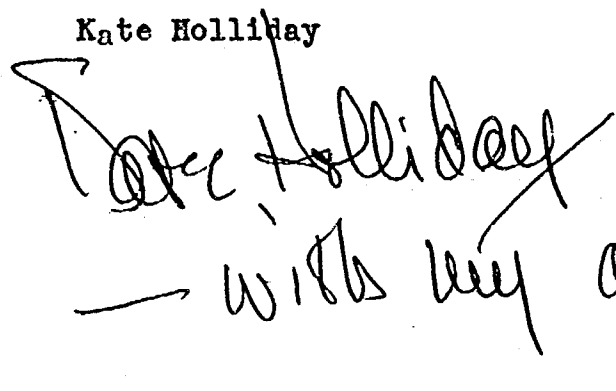
The last leaf on a pruned, grey tree
A strong, young gardener could not reach.
The ladder was not tall enough,
And his taught arms were much too short.

And so, as evening falls today,
I watch it in the Eastern winds,
Above the twigs, quite sere and gaunt,
Quite lonely, since it has to start
Upon a trunk as straight as truth
Age-old resurgence, age-old pride,
Which this old leaf knows in the sun.

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Los Angeles

Kate Holliday


— with my admiration,