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Dear Linda,

Oh, golly, I've never thanked you for Debby's catalogue. I was very glad to have it.

A couple of weeks after I got a note and some snapshots of Edith. I thought basically the doll was very

good. Debby made her own criticisms, especially about the eyes, which I agree with. Much of Edith's personality does lie in the expression of the eyes.

The children's book business is not in a good state. In the past, 80% of sales have been schools and libraries. These are way down because of the funding cuts. Editors are trying to re-think everything in terms of bookstore sales and especially the big chain stores. Doubleday suddenly cut their department back to two editors and cancelled dozens of projects. They may not even want the Edith book which they'd had me working on plots for for two months.

So I'm doing some hard thinking,
and trying to come up with
some new ideas. I'd tell you
more if we could talk. Do let
me know anytime you might
be in the city and have time
to stop by.

I haven't any prints of the big
head of Mr. Bear, but next time
I'm working in the dark room
I'll make you a couple.

Love, Dave

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Dear Mrs. Ruskoski,

I just realised, with horror, that I had not answered your letter. I've been sick for two weeks, so I hope you'll forgive me.

April 12th will be fine as far as I know at the moment. Perhaps you'd send me your phone number so I could reach you in case of an emergency.

And thank you for the

interesting Enchanted Dollhouse
information.

I look forward to meeting
you.

Sincerely,
Dore Wright

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Walton, New York

July 29th, 1980

Dear Linda,

I finally pulled myself together enough to come up to the Catskills to see my brother.

I'm not going to get trapped in such another deadline ever.

As you know I talked to your husband the other evening. You probably told

me you'd be in Maine but I just wasn't taking things in.

I did talk to my agent about a Lenci doll. Thank you for getting me that New York name and address.

He says Edith isn't really a Lenci doll any more, that over the years she has grown into something different. I don't really agree with him. Anyway it would be interesting to discuss it with a Lenci representative, I think.

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Bill has some ideas about
a magazine article on
Edith.

Let's see now. I probably
still have something to
thank you for. I think it's
the pictures of the ex-
hibition and the dolls.

Edith must meet her
cousin Susanna one of
these days.

Have a fine summer.
I can't believe it's

half over.

I have to go back to the city tomorrow. Doubleday will have the first galley proofs for me to see.

Love,

Dore

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Dear Linda,

I feel as if it had already been Christmas, even though I was really poaching on the territory of Edith and the Bears.

Of course, the loaf of bread is rightfully mine and just as delicious as I remembered it to be.

And Edith had better keep an eye on me lest I make too many inroads on her writing paper. That was a most delightful idea of yours. We both thank you.

I did enjoy my time with you and Joan very much, and it was good to discuss background and plot possibilities with you.

Have a lovely holiday time—

Dore



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Debbie Anderson

Jan 28, 1981

Dear Linda,

So sorry the sailor was chipped! That must have been why he wasn't out front.

Things are getting exciting! I've made two "fenci-type" dolls one of which is better than the other. I'll send pictures as soon as I can.

Mary Hawson wants to meet you so do come to the Penny Whistle on Wed afternoon. We are scheduled for 3 pm. ^{1281 Fifth Ave. 91st Madison}

We are staying at the Prince George on 14 E 28th St. We're coming in Sunday morning. See you at Dale's!

Sincerely
Debbie

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Dear Linda,

Thank you for that splendid
note from "Linda at school."

That must come from the
deal Doubleday made with
Zerax. They did send me a
note about it, but I probably
would have never have seen
the actual advertising
except for you. Thanks.

I've just seen the first
copy of "Edith and the
Duckling". It's all right.

The pictures lose a little
in reproduction, but

nothing dire is wrong, thank goodness.

I had such a nice letter from Debby Anderson. I liked them very much.

Thank you for that too.

This is an untidy letter.

I've been embroiled in the income tax deal. I made a little more this year but I think it's going to be wiped out by taxes.

Let me know any time you might be in town. It would be nice to see you.

Love,
Dore

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September 17th

Dear Linda,

I was so happy to have word
of you.

How exciting to have a new
house, but what a lot of work
it must have involved.

I think you are most noble to have bought four copies of my book. It's so expensive!

I was glad too to have news of Debbie. I hadn't heard and thought she might have abandoned the project.

"Edith and the Duckling" did very well in the first four months and I am now

involved in a dialogue with Doubleday on the subject and plot for the next book.

I am most honoured to have you doing a talk about me. I wish I could hear it, except I would probably be shy about it.

I do hope I'll be seeing

you this fall. Let me know if
you're going to be in the city
at any time.

My greetings to Joan if you
are talking to her.

Love,

Dore

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Dear Linda,

I did so much enjoy your Christmas card. What a charming idea, and what an attractive house!

I got done in by a horrid cold over the holidays, but am all right now.

I'm working on a number of
new ideas.

Just talked to my agent who is
not in a happy frame of mind
about the state of publishing.

Some one is talking to me about
Edith and the Bears as television
characters.

I hope to see you in this new
year, and I send you every
good wish for it. Love, Dore



