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I saw the letter exactly as he had written it,
In the childish second-grade manuscript writing,
My little son, age seven:
"Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:
I am very sorry Mr. President died.
I grieve bitterly."
And it was signed "With love."

And so he did "grieve bitterly."
And so he has for all the heroes of his little years:
King Arthur, Will-o'-the-Green, bold Robin Hood —
And Roosevelt.

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