

### *About the author of this book:*

**HODDING CARTER** became interested in Lafayette while doing research for his book *Lower Mississippi*. Then he discovered a number of small towns and counties along the Mississippi named for the young French Marquis. Some of that research laid the foundation for this historical biography.

Mr. Carter grew up in Louisiana and received his B.A. in history from Bowdoin College. The Carters and their three sons now live in Greenville, Mississippi, where Mr. Carter is editor of the *Delta Democrat-Times*.

Today Hodding Carter is considered one of the outstanding journalists in this country. His comments on his native Southland and on the problems of the South receive nationwide attention.

### *About the illustrator of this book:*

**MIMI KORACH** has become one of the most sought-after artists in her field. Among the many books she has illustrated are the Heritage Club edition of Dickens' *Little Dorrit* and *Leonardo da Vinci*, a World Landmark Book.

Miss Korach studied at the Yale Art School and painted in France during and after World War II. Many of her water colors have been exhibited in the New York area.

Miss Korach (in married life, Mrs. Bert Lesser) lives with her husband and their two children in Mamaroneck, New York.