

Dallas December 5 1981

Dear Harold:

I appreciate your letter and your concern. I was likewise wondering about you and was fearful that you were "laid up". Last May or June I sent you a rather large packet of clippings and since I didn't hear from you I surmised that you were perhaps tired of getting the material. I saw the article regarding you that appeared in the Times Herald in November. It was a nice writeup.

I had the lens in my left eye removed on April 14 and from my right eye on August 21. Since I could not tolerate implants or contacts I am, of course, wearing thick spectacles. I can see wonderfully well and am driving but am not yet use to the new glasses. Am afraid to run any machinery in my shop except drill press and grinder. Pressure is still a little high in right eye and am using two drops of Timoptic a day in it. Pressure is running around 20; only 9 in left eye.

I am indeed thankful for my hospitalization insurance which has carried me through in fine shape. One of my policies (one paid for by WU) pays 80% of prescription drugs.

This is a hectic time of the year around her with daughter, grandsons, one great granddaughter with another on the way!

Bernice and I hope that you and your folks will have a beautiful holiday.

Kind regards,


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Dear A.I.,

12/9/81

= Glad to get the clippings and very glad to hear that your operations were successful - without complications. My problems come from complications, after very successful surgery.

I think I met Wes Wise once, when I did an afternoon talk show at KRID, with Eddie Barker also participating. Or they were on the TV thing I did at the same time.

He's right, of course - whatever that so-called spirit of Dallas is, it didn't kill anyone. I could never get any attention when I tried to say that years ago.

I'm glad to get clippings so I can know what is going on and so that I can better help those reporters who still call me. They also have value as part of the historical record and up in Wisconsin they won't have the Dallas papers when my records get there. From the T-H story you can get an idea of their extent now, with more trickling in all the time.

If I didn't acknowledge the large batch you say you sent it is not because it did not reach me. More likely because at that time I wasn't too active. It was the night of April 20 that I had the total blockage on the left side. They operated until 2:30 in the a.m. and I was there for 18 more days. So, I guess I just forgot to write and thank you. Sorry.

I don't know when I'll have cataract operations. Last visit to the doctor he said they are not ripe and it would probably be at least two years before he'd want to touch the riper one. That was about a year ago. The distortion is increasing gradually but it doesn't interfere with driving, reading, etc. I do have to take my glasses off to look at TV because without them there is less distortion.

I'm limited in what I can do but I feel fine.

Again, many thanks and

best wishes,