

6/26/70

Dear Art,

Vacation must be a wonderful thing. Hope you have a great one and return relaxed and restored. If I didn't live in the country, diverted by rabbits playing like puppies outside my windows (and the house is all windows), quail and mallards coming to the kitchen door to be fed there and nowhere else all winter, it would be more difficult than it is. Living here could be a vacation, with other work.

I knew you had a few personal problems, but I'd hoped they'd resolved themselves by now.

No hassle on the Skolnick tape. It is simply that there are so many irresponsible who attach themselves to us, he provides a marvelous opportunity to put together the definitive horrible example. I'll probably never take the time to assemble it, and my experience with the irresponsible is such I've no reason to believe they'd be willing to listen. We have our own dedicated wrong. But Skolnick isn't even one of them.

There is little new here. Maybe I've sold the Ray/<sup>ing</sup> part of COUP, which I'll have to retitle. The bank will be happy if I have, and so will the leaking roof.

I've drafted the complaints in the next two suits I'll file and I've assembled the material for the one to follow them. I'm in a position to file quite a few, the problems being time and the fact that I'm not a lawyer. There just isn't time for all the things I'm into, so I've not enough time to look out for my own interests.

I hear from no one in L.A. any more, and from what I hear about them, even that is too much.

When you speak to Jim, please give him my best.

Sincerely,

memo from

**ART KEVIN**

6/22/70

Dear Hal:

Please forgive my seeming "no-response" for these past weeks. Such has not been the intent but alas, the result of simply biting off more than I can humanly chew. Pin it down to overwork, exhaustion and a multitude of personal problems with an ex-wife and a son who lives with me.

I have just returned from an OOT tour of several RKO stations and found your letter of 5/30 staring me in the face. You know better than to say you "embarrass" me. I consider it a professional and personal honor to call you a friend.

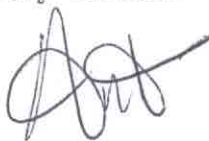
Re: the Skolnick tape..it did not..I repeat did not air on KHJ. Thus I felt (and still do) that no response was necessary. I apparently did not make that clear when we spoke.

As for my underground exercise..that's one of the things that has netted me near exhaustion and I have summarily stopped playing to empty houses.

I go on vacation shortly Hal for a couple of weeks. I know I'll feel better when I return.

Again I say old friend, forgive me for my temporary slouch.

Best.



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