

11/1-Appreciate the time you took on acupuncture even more now. My mother was hospitalized 197 shortly after we were there. The doctor wanted her in the hospital soon, but she wanted to see her ophthalmologist. She is due for a second cataract operation. The cataract on the second eye has been growing slowly. He had not wanted to remove it on the previous consultation, so she delayed entering the hospital for the crippling pain of the arthritis and bursitis. We did not find out until my older sister (both younger than I) called...It appears that if one thing has taken hold in Wilmington, it is acupuncture. I didn't know, but a cousin who had not responded to treatment for a whiplash had it with some benefit, the husband of an old girl friend awaits his turn (she is now a neighbor and friend of my mother), and others have had experience with it. More than one practitioner. The one known to the family is off for a six-weeks refresher, so apparently my sister hears enough about it. I do hope they will try it, and I don't think the AMAer will recommend or encourage. Mom was in visible pain when we were there and it grew steadily worse. It comes at a bad time for her. She'd just been through a very rough siege with my step-father and his children. He needed nursing for several years before he died, and she was the nurse, unhelped by his family. Two of his three sons are wealthy doctors who contributed nothing to his care, bills, etc, not even burial. None appeared for the dedication of his tombstone, a deal with Jews. We were there for it.

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Right after this call instead of reading, as I'd planned after writing what I hoped would be an amusing note I wanted in the Journal file anyway I saw an NBC special on McMillan and his recollections. I suspect it was cut in half because of the time following, Schmitz with cloying hater Dan Smoot. I taped McMillan. I find some of it interesting, several parts valuable. I'll want to use them in TIGER, where what he now says is entirely consistent with my own analysis of years ago. I'll send this after I use the other side. I will want the McMillan back. H