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(1956)

Heidelberg Hotel
c/o Warner Bros. Co
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Sis Jessye:

I humbly apologize for not answering your two fine letters long ago. You know I love you. But ever since a month before I was I have been so busy I didn't know whether I was coming or going. And still don't. Yes, I received your interesting script and read it also. I like it very much and as soon as I get home and adjusted I'll get busy trying to find a contact to do something about it. There are two men in T.V. who will at least read it and advise me even if they won't buy it themselves.

Now you wrote me the Ind. letter and besides giving me your itinerary you asked me to do something, I think. But, to save my life I can't recall what it was. If you let me know by the time I get home in 2 more weeks I'll gladly do it, if it's not too late.

Sis, I'm down here in the cotton-pickin' south directing the music for Warner's picture: "Band of Angels". Have you read the book? Clark Gable and Florence de Carlo are the stars. I made the choral arrangements and recorded the music back in Holly- with my own choir. Been down here a week and have 2 more to go. I'm staying on the Southern U. And I'm using the college

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Choir of 80 voices as the nucleus of my singing group
in location. I'll have to teach 150 nigget extras the
songs, starting tomorrow, then add the 80 college kids
to them. Some job huh? Another Hallelujah. Well, it's
a job and a very good one for me. As soon as I finish
here I'll fly home and on up to Buellington, Calif.
where I'm guest conductor for a big spiritual high
school festival.

When does your trip begin and how is it shaping
up. Oh! I know what that letter contained. Notices of
you doing my Te was sung in your Concerts. Thank
you so much, Sisjease. I'm deeply grateful. Walter
Schumann has been very sick, but he is getting
better now. He told me before he left that he thought
Harry ~~Bellefante~~ Bellefante sold 50 to 100,000 records of my
songs last month. Hope he's right.

I want to wish you the best of success with
your tour this season. My regards to your husband.
And let me know whenever I can be of any help.
So long and God bless you.

Agarston