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Mr. James G. Stahlman,  
The Nashville Banner,  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Jimmie:

I was sorry to have missed you Friday night, although I understand the plane later was laid out four or five hours in Phoenix. I am sorry you could not have stayed over until Saturday night as we had a delightful, smooth trip and arrived in Fort Worth right on the dot. It was my intention to leave Friday night however when I called on Mrs. Rogers that afternoon she asked me if I would not stay over until Saturday.

On my return home I found your several clippings from the Banner including your delightful editorial "A Friend to Humanity Gone" as well as a page reproducing a telegram from Will regarding your 4-H Club from your issue of August 16th. If you have a few extra copies of this telegram which appeared on page 7, I would appreciate having you send me three or four for the scrapbooks I am keeping for the children.

We are trying to work out a plan to correlate all of the various endeavors for collecting funds to erect suitable memorials for Will and have them operate under one head. I have been on the telephone most of the time for the past few days with Will Hayes, Governor Marland of Oklahoma, Jesse Jones and others. We have a plan worked out for Vice-President Garner to be chairman and Jesse Jones to be treasurer and to enlist the support of all the newspapers in the country, permitting everybody to raise money in any legitimate way that they see fit and have a strong committee of Will's friends to see that the money is properly expended covering suitable memorials in Claremore, Oklahoma, and Santa Monica, California.

Meanwhile, Governor Marland has started a similar plan and the citizens of Claremore have another. So, I talked over the phone for thirty minutes or more with Governor Marland and he is

going to try and prevail on the Claremore group to work their plan together with the others under one committee. This in no way would interfere with the individual efforts. California and Oklahoma could still have their sub-committees. We have given no publicity on the matter as yet as we are anxious to get the details worked out before giving it to the public.

America has lost its greatest citizen. As a matter of fact we have lost the greatest philosopher we have had in modern times and a most human, lovable character with it. It is hard for me to realize he is gone.

Sincerely,

AGC.KD