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Gentlemen:

I have read the article in the Reader's Digest about the flood on June 9. I feel that the magazine has been grossly unfair to the communications media and to you especially.

I was watching your TV coverage that night and you were telecasting warning of a "reported" wall of water. It was my understanding that you were reporting reports from individual observers, but there was no official status. However, you were doing your best. It would not have been possible for a TV or a radio station to do more. I assume other radio and TV stations were doing what you were. You had no authority to go into the homes and pull the residents out to safety.

KOTA has always done what it could in every emergency of any kind. So may I take this method of saying thanks for a job no one could have done better?

In my opinion the Reader's Digest owes you an apology and a more thorough investigation of what was done on the night of June 9.

yours truly

Lillian Kaczmarek