

June 3, 1946.

Mrs. Anna D. Dane  
100 Walnut Street  
Watertown, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Dane:

I read your article in the American Weekly on your cured goitre with much interest, as I also have a toxic goitre. I have taken xray treatments, and at present I am taking iodine, which controls it enough so I am doing office work and some housework. I have not been able to bring myself to consent to an operation, and all this time I have been praying for a cure without surgery. I have had one major operation, and I do not want to go through another one if I can help it. The operation I had was not for goitre.

If the question is not too personal, I would like to have an idea as to the expenses involved for the treatment you had. My husband works at the Socony Vacuum Oil Co. and I am a secretary, so we are not in the money, therefore, I would like to know the approximate cost of this treatment, also if I would be able to have it. I wrote Dr. Hertz and I had a nice reply telling me to contact my family physician and have refer to his article in the medical journal and he would take the necessary steps. Before I do this I would like to know more about it. As you know from your own experience I am very nervous, however, my weight has gone up since taking the xray treatments. I used to weigh from 89 to 96 lbs. and now weigh 118 lbs. but I would like to get rid of all the symptoms, particularly the nervousness. Like you I am up and doing every of my life, but so tired. I am wondering if my own physician who is a goitre-surgeon would be able to give this treatment and if it would be safe for him to do it. Do think there is any danger in this treatment?

Any information you can give me will be greatly appreciated. Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

*(Signed) U. Pearlman*  
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48 yrs. old.