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Many happy returns from White House

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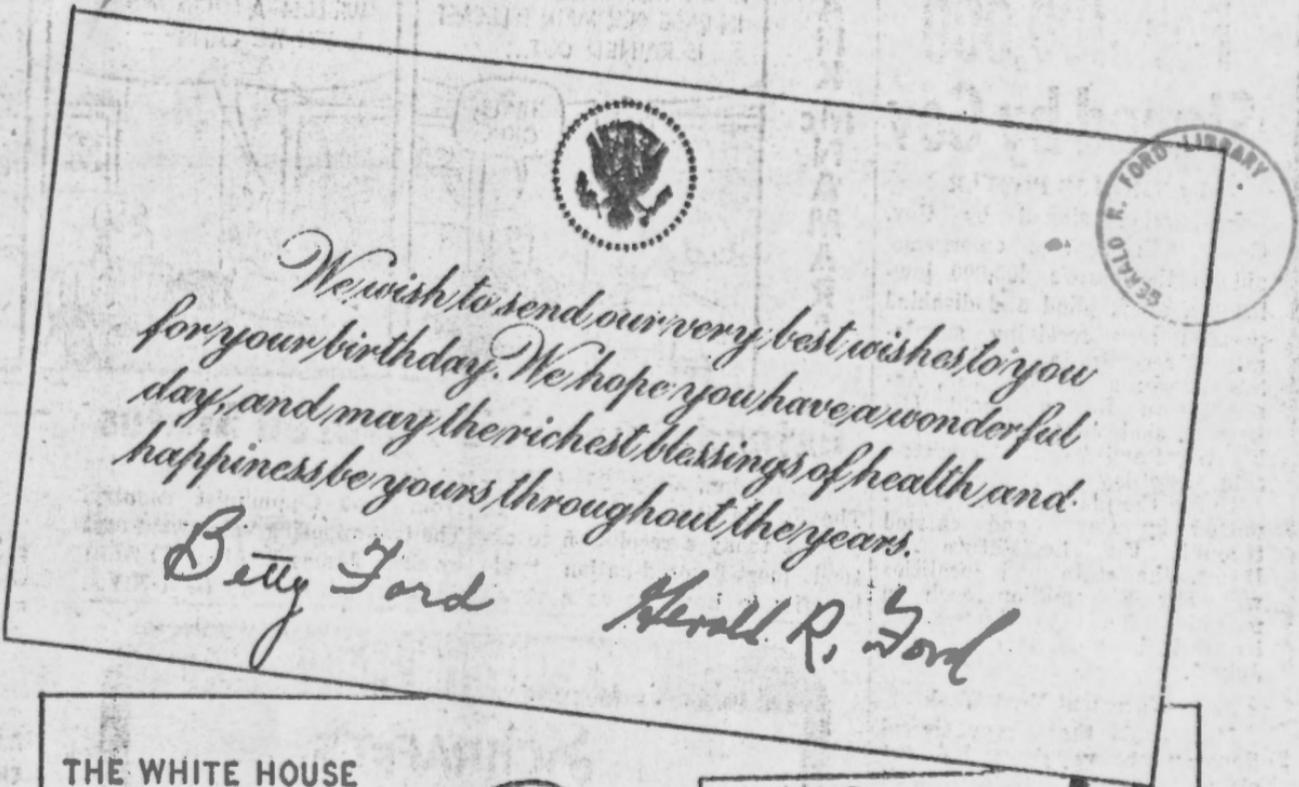
Washington—Most people have to wait until they are 80 years old to get a birthday card from the White House. I learned this only because one of the simple white cards, topped by the gold Presidential seal and signed by "Betty Ford" and "Gerald R. Ford" arrived at my home last week.

"We wish to send our very best wishes to you for your birthday. We hope you have a wonderful day, and may the richest blessings of health and happiness be yours throughout the years," it said.

"O, la, la," I thought in French, as I always do when receiving birthday cards because I was born on Bastille Day. So was President Ford, and I set out to find out whether that had anything to do with his remembering me, when a number of my nearest and dearest did not.

I noted they were a bit forgetful, too, and had mailed it the day after our birthday. It was stamped.

The birthday card was new to me and nobody I showed it to had seen one before. They all immediately wished me



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