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**July 31, 1976**

**Dear Peter:**

**Thank you for your thoughtfulness in inviting me to make use of the various NBC facilities in Kansas City during the convention.**

**I don't know yet what my schedule will be in Kansas City but I hope it allows time for me to visit with you and other old friends from NBC.**

**Best wishes,**

**Sincerely,**

**Ron Nessen  
Press Secretary  
to the President**

**Mr. Peter B. Kenney  
NBC  
1800 K Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20006**

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National Broadcasting Company, Inc

1800 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006 202-833-3600

Peter B. Kenney  
Vice President

July 26, 1976

Mr. Ronald H. Nessen  
Press Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Ron:

As you are aware, the August 16-20 Republican National Convention in Kansas City is rapidly approaching.

The NBC Washington Government Relations staff will be headquartered during the convention at the Crown Center and, at specific times, in a museum-piece Presidential parlor car used for cross-country campaigning during the 30's, which will be located near Kemper Arena.

While it is still too early to have complete plans and schedules for the convention week, we are thinking in terms of some social functions and guided tours of NBC's broadcast facilities at the Arena.

It is our hope that we will have the opportunity to provide events of interest to you, your family, and key staff, as well as facilities where you can relax and take a break from the business of the convention.

At this time it is difficult to specify times and dates for such activities until the Republican National Committee has scheduled all its events and arrangements and until we have your response to the enclosed informational form. And, of course, there are the obvious problems of arranging transportation and obtaining security clearances for our guests.

If you plan to attend the Kansas City convention, we would appreciate your completing and returning the form in the self-addressed, stamped envelope. This information will help us contact you with you with specifics and time schedules as soon as they are finalized.


Those of us in the K Street Office of NBC hope to see you at the convention in Kansas City.

Best regards.

Cordially,



Peter B. Kenney



Information Sheet For  
**REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION**  
August 16-20, 1976  
Kansas City

Yes, I plan to be in Kansas City for the Convention as:

a delegate/an official

an observer

My spouse will  will not  attend.

I will be arriving in Kansas City \_\_\_\_\_

and I will be staying at \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to join you for:

Brunch

"R&R" in our Tavern-Lounge Car, 7-11 PM

Tour of NBC master control facilities at Kemper Arena.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print)

Please return to (self-addressed, stamped envelope provided):

Peter B. Kenney  
Vice President  
NBC  
1800 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006

SOCIAL INVITATIONS - KANSAS CITY

Saturday, August 14, 1976

7 - 11 pm      Cocktail buffet honoring Governor and Mrs.  
Christopher Bond given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles  
H. Price

5049 Wornall Road  
Kansas City, Missouri



To honor

Governor and Mrs. Christopher Bond

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Price

Cocktail Buffet

Saturday, the fourteenth of August

seven until eleven o'clock

5049 Wornall Road

Kansas City, Missouri

Please reply by the twenty-eighth of July

816 - 753 - 1134





JULY 4, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald N. Nessen  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Apartment 10 C D  
5049 Wornall Road  
Kansas City, Missouri 64112

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
JEFFERSON CITY

CHRISTOPHER S. BOND  
GOVERNOR

July 16, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald H. Nessen  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear *Ron* Mr. and Mrs. Nessen:

Missouri is looking forward to hosting the Republican National Convention August 16-19 in Kansas City. If my office may be of any assistance to you with arrangements or information, please let us know. We look forward to showing you Kansas City.

Carolyn and I hope you will join us and our good friends Carol and Charlie Price at a buffet dinner in their home Saturday evening, August 14. We are taking this opportunity of sharing Carol and Charlie's hospitality with our friends from out-of-town. An invitation from Carol and Charlie will be coming soon.

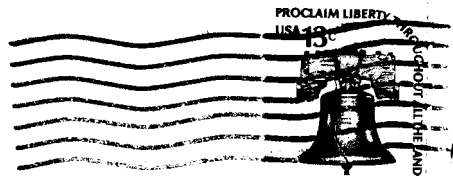
We hope to see you August 14 in Kansas City.

Sincerely,



GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
JEFFERSON CITY  
MISSOURI  
65101



Mr. and Mrs. Ronald H. Nessen  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

SOCIAL INVITATIONS - KANSAS CITY

Sunday, August 15

- 11:30 am            Brunch hosted by Kansas City businessmen for  
Senators, Cabinet members, and officials  
                         Kansas City Country Club
- Noon                 National media press party  
                         ?
- Noon - 3 pm        Picnic Lunch to meet John Chancellor, David Brinkley  
Catherine Mackin, Tom Pettit, Tom Brokaw,  
John Hart and Dick Wald  
                         Centennial Ballroom  
                         Crown Center Hotel
- 5 - 7 pm            Reception in honor of Distinguished Guests of  
the Republican National Convention, given by  
Governor and Mrs. Christopher Bond and  
Missouri Republican Host Committee, Inc.  
                         William Rockhill Nelson Gallery of Art  
                         Kansas City

# Kansas City Southern Industries, Inc.

114 West 11th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105

August 5, 1976

IRVINE O. HOCKADAY, JR.  
President

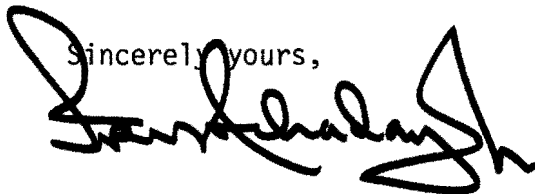
Mr. Ronald H. Nessen  
Presidential Press Secretary  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Nessen:

Confirming my telephone conversation with your appointment secretary, you are cordially invited to attend a brunch for various Senators, Cabinet Members and other officials during the Republican National Convention. The brunch will be held on August 15, at 11:30 a.m., at the Kansas City Country Club, and is being hosted by a small group of Kansas City businessmen and civic leaders. I recognize the impracticability of arranging your schedule in a definitive manner very far in advance, so I have arranged an approach with your appointment secretary that will give all of us maximum flexibility. Whether you can attend or not, I wanted you to know personally that you would be most welcome.

Should you decide to attend, I will see that you are picked up and taken to the Club and will look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely yours,



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MR RONALD H NESSEN  
PRESS SECRETARY TO THE PRES  
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON DC 20500

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO MEET JOHN CHANCELLOR,  
DAVID BRINKLEY AND NBC CONVENTION FLOOR REPORTERS  
CATHERINE MACKIN, TOM PETTIT, TOM BROKAW AND JOHN  
HART AT A PICNIC LUNCH, SUNDAY,  
AUGUST 15, FROM 12-3 PM IN THE CENTENNIAL BALLROOM  
OF THE CROWN CENTER HOTEL, ONE PERSHING ROAD,  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. WE HOPE YOU CAN BE WITH US  
AND NBC NEWS PRESIDENT RICHARD C. WALD TO MEET THE  
PEOPLE PARTICIPATING IN NBC'S COVERAGE OF THE  
REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION, WHICH BEGINS THE  
FOLLOWING DAY. RSVP TO RUSS TORNABENE, NBC, 30  
ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10020 (212-247-  
8300, EXT. 2638). CORDIALLY.

JULIAN GOODMAN  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
NBC

HERBERT S. SCHLOSSER  
PRESIDENT  
NBC

01:48 EST

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Republican  
National  
Committee.

August 3, 1976

TO: Mr. Ronald H. Nessen

FROM: McDill (Huck) Boyd  
Chairman, Media Arrangements  
Republican National Convention

Members of the Kansas City business community are hosting a National Media press party at noon on Sunday, August 15. While the function is intended to honor the leading members of all segments of the media from across the country, individual members of the Host Committee would also like to invite outstanding political leaders as their personal guests.

In the near future you will be receiving a personal invitation to the reception in the form of a telephone call from a Host Committee member. The caller will give you the specific time and place of the event and finalize the arrangements.

But it did seem appropriate to inform you in advance that this contact would be made. If, by any chance, you do not receive the telephone invitation, please do not hesitate to notify me at Convention headquarters (816-487-1890) for you are included in the group we hope will be able to join us.

*Call from Lew Hochaday*

*~~816-842-4587 - Office~~*

*~~816-931-4706 - Home~~*



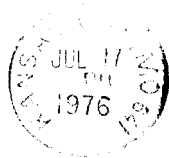
Governor and Mrs. Christopher Bond  
and  
The Missouri Republican Host Committee, Inc.  
Reception  
in honor of  
Distinguished Guests of the Republican National Convention  
Sunday, the fifteenth of August  
five until seven o'clock  
William Rockhill Nelson Gallery of Art  
4525 Oak Street  
Kansas City, Missouri

Please reply by July 26

Present invitation at north door

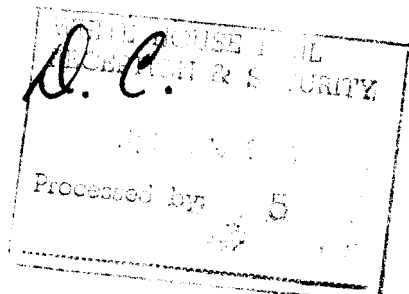
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All Exhibition Galleries will be open



Mr. Ronald H. Nessen  
The White House

Washington, D. C.  
20500





Office of the Governor  
Suite 590  
615 East 13th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

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SOCIAL INVITATIONS - KANSAS CITY

Monday, August 16, 1976

- 1:00 pm            Buffet luncheon given by Katherine Graham and  
                      Newsweek Editors  
                          Top of the Crown  
                          Crown Center Hotel
- 3 - 5 pm            "The Future of our Party Reception" honoring  
                      Young Delegates and Alternates, given by Rogers  
                      Morton  
                          Centennial Ballroom  
                          Crown Center Hotel
- 5 - 7 pm            Reception given by Ralph Davidson, Publisher; and  
                      the Editors of Time Magazine  
                          Grand Ballroom (Mezzanine Level)  
                          Muehlbach Hotel  
                          12th Street and Baltimore
- 7 - 11 pm          NBC Hospitality Tavern-Lounge parlour car  
                          Fenced off area across from Kemper arena  
                          (Call before you come so they can clear you)  
                          Diagram available
- Anytime            ABC Hospitality Suite  
                          Governor's Exposition Hall

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
RON NESSEN SCHEDULE  
Monday, August 16

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8:00 am           Senior Press Office and Communications Breakfast  
                    Top of the Crown

9:00 am           Senior Staff meeting  
                    18th Floor meeting room

10:00 am          Youth Ralley

11:00 am          Morning Briefing

1:00 pm           Buffet luncheon given by Katherine Graham and  
                    Newsweek Editors  
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3 - 5 pm          The Future of our Party reception honoring young delegates  
                    and alternates, given by Rogers Morton  
                    Centennial Ballroom

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                    Muehlbach Hotel  
                    12th Street and Baltimore

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REMINDERS

Monday, August 16, 1976

Tell President video tape of arrival is available  
for him to watch if he wishes - machine in room

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Talk to Kennerly about getting Marty LaFore with  
him for special access for pictures for PFC News-  
letter.

Rogers C. B. Morton

Chairman of the President Ford Committee

cordially invites you to attend

"The Future of Our Party Reception"

honoring

Young Delegates and Alternates

to the Republican National Convention

and

"The Presidentials"

Monday, August 16, 3 to 5 p.m.

Centennial Room A, Crown Center Hotel

Kansas City, Missouri

SOCIAL INVITATIONS-KANSAS CITY

Tuesday, August 17, 1976

Noon - 2 pm      Cocktails and buffet luncheon given by Carol  
and Arthur Sulzberger - to meet editors and  
correspondents of The New York Times  
Colonial Ballroom  
Radison-Muehlebach Hotel

7 - 11 pm      NBC Hospitality Tavern-Lounge parlour car  
Fenced off area across from Kemper arena  
Diagram available

*Dinner - Muriel Dobbin*

Anytime      ABC Hospitality Suite  
Governor's Exposition Hall  
(Directions available)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RON NESSEN SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 18

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9:00 am Senior Staff meeting in Cheney's office

11:00 am Briefing  
(Av Westin will film it)

noon - 2 pm Luncheon given by Republican Finance Committee  
(President going to pre-lunch reception but not staying for lunch)  
Imperial Ballroom  
Radisson-Muehlbach  
(You are the guest of Morton Sosland, Editor/Publisher of Milling and Banking News - K. C.)

3:00 pm Bill Carruthers

4:00 pm

*Sam De Funk*  
*Steve Sabot*



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FYI:

7-11 pm NBC Hospitality Tavern-Lounge parlour car  
Fenced off area across from Kemper arena  
Anytime ABC Hospitality Suite - Governor's Exposition Hall

SOCIAL INVITATIONS - KANSAS CITY

Wednesday, August 18, 1976

*Prize being filmed by an Western*

Noon - 2 pm. Luncheon given by Republican Finance Committee  
(President going to pre-lunch reception - not staying for lunch)

*May Drape  
467-1744  
\$1,000 ticket  
and 10 or 12*

Radisson Muehlbach

Imperial Ballroom

Guest of Mr. Morton Gosland  
Editor/Publisher in *Medicine & Banking*  
News - K.C. Missouri

3 pm

*Bill Cantor*

7 - 11 pm

NBC Hospitality Tavern-Lounge parlous car

Fenced off area across from Kemper arena  
Diagram available

Anytime

ABC Hospitality Suite

Governor's Exposition Hall  
(Directions available)





THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

REPUBLICAN FINANCE  
COMMITTEE IS HAVING A  
LUNCHEON ON NEXT WEDNESDAY  
AT NOON.

THEY WANT RON TO ATTEND.

THE PRESIDENT WILL BE  
ATTENDING THE RECEPTION  
PRIOR TO THE LUNCHEON, BUT  
NOT THE LUNCHEON ITSELF.

JANICE A.  
PLEASE RSVP TO DORRANCE SM.

NBC

National Broadcasting Company, Inc.

1800 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006 202-833-3600

Peter B. Kenney  
Vice President

August 5, 1976

Mr. Ronald H. Nessen  
Press Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Ron:

Thanks for your prompt response to my letter of July 26 regarding our activities in conjunction with the Republican National Convention in Kansas City from August 16-20.

Those individuals from the NBC Washington Government Relations staff who will attend include myself, Sallie Forman, Administrator, Government Relations, and Jill McDonald, Research Coordinator.

We will be staying in the Crown Center Apartments and we may be reached through private phones, 467-9062 or 753-1912.

After reviewing the present plans of the Convention, we have established the following schedule for our activities:

A luncheon buffet, Monday through Thursday, from 11:00A-2:00P, in the Kansas City Room of Crown Center. Since the room has certain space limitations, we would appreciate your letting us know which day you plan to join us. You may call our office here in Washington, drop us a note, or call us at our number at Crown Center after you arrive in Kansas City.

We hope you will be able to join us in our Tavern-Lounge parlor car, the "Hospitality" during your "R & R" time. The car will be located in a fenced off area across from Kemper Arena and we will be there from 7:00-11:00, Monday through Thursday. (A diagram of the area is enclosed.) Since security will be very tight in this area, you might let us know when you plan to stop by so that we may leave your name with the security guard. Our direct number into the parlor car is 467-4176.

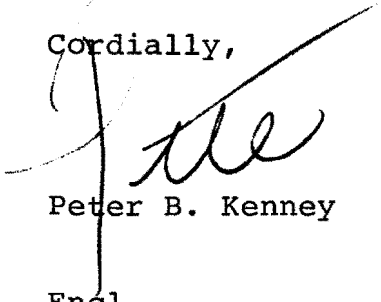


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Tours of the NBC master control facility at Kemper Arena will be scheduled on an individual basis from Monday through Thursday between 8:00 and 10:00PM. If you are interested in this tour, you should plan to meet us at the parlor car and we can make arrangements from there for the proper credentials, etc.

We all look forward to seeing you in Kansas City.

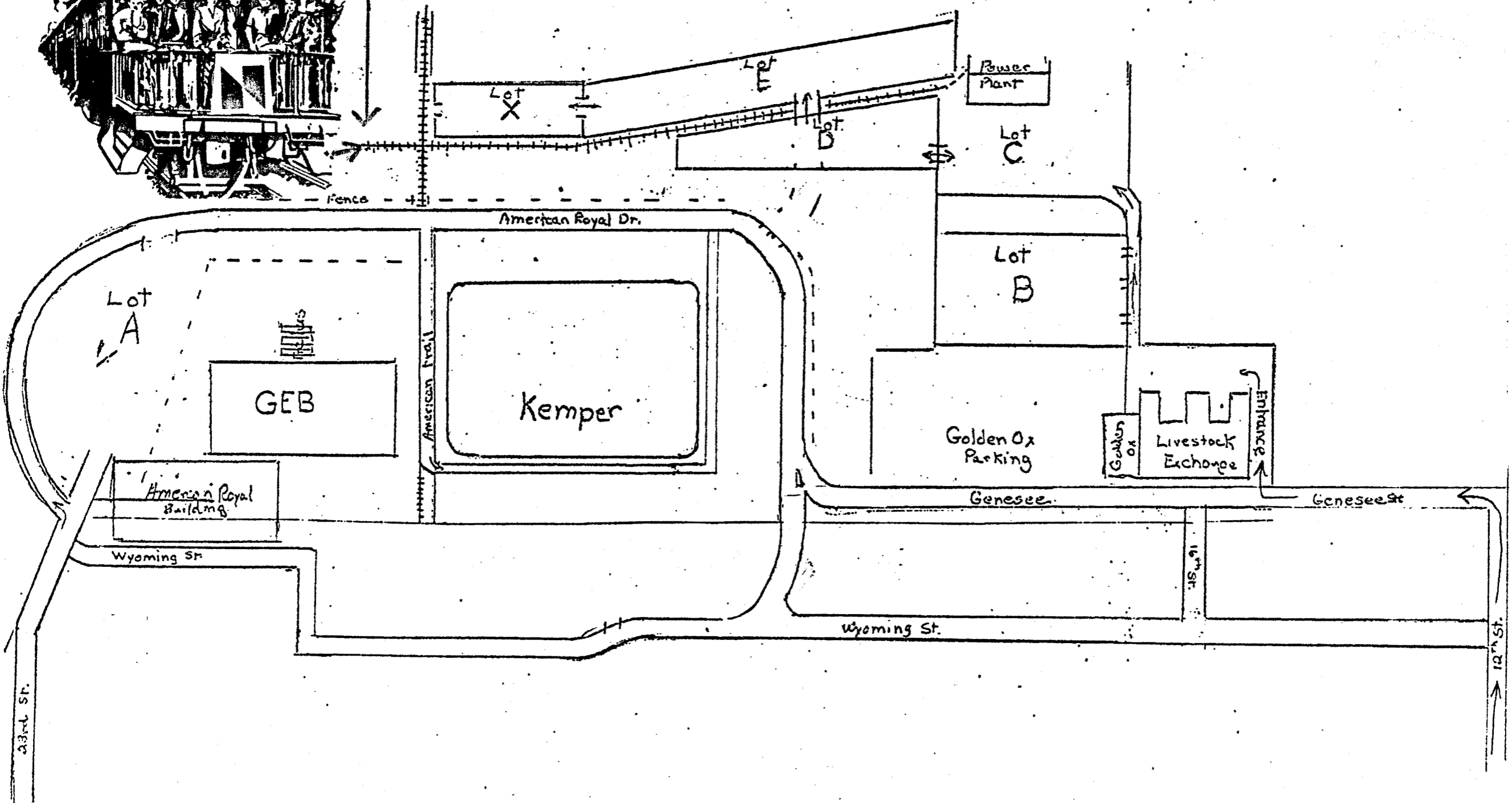
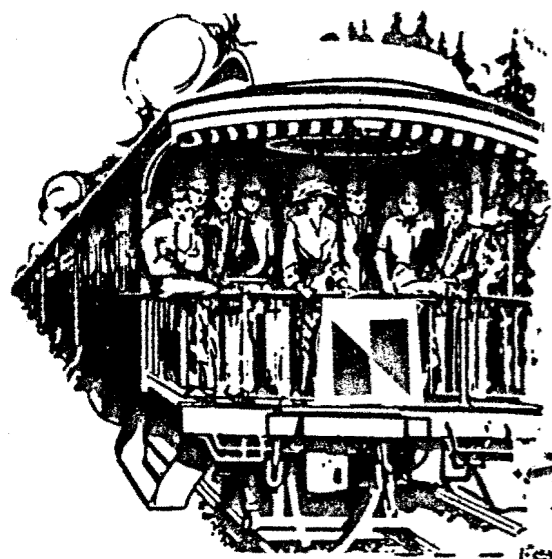
Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'P. Kenney', is written over the typed name. The signature is written in dark ink and is somewhat stylized.

Peter B. Kenney

Encl.

LOCATION OF NBC TAVERN-LOUNGE CAR, THE "HOSPITALITY"





Information Sheet For  
**REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION**  
August 16-20, 1976  
Kansas City

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and I will be staying at \_\_\_\_\_

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"R&R" in our Tavern-Lounge Car, 7-11 PM

Tour of NBC master control facilities at Kemper Arena.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print)

Please return to (self-addressed, stamped envelope provided):

Peter B. Kenney  
Vice President  
NBC  
1800 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006

# REPUBLICAN CONVENTION 1976

Ralph Davidson, Publisher,  
and the Editors of

TIME

invite you to a reception

Monday, August 16

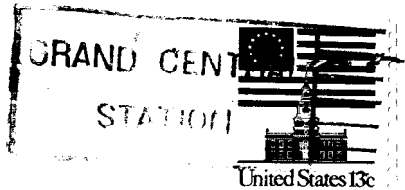
5:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Grand Ballroom

The Muehlebach Hotel, Mezzanine Level

12th St. and Baltimore, Kansas City, Mo.

Regrets Only  
after August 10  
(816) 467-4600



Mr. Ronald H. Nessen  
Press Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Eugene S. Cowen, Vice President

*Ron*  
Dear ~~Mr. Nessen~~:

The American Broadcasting Company cordially invites you to visit ABC's VIP Hospitality Suite when you attend the Republican National Convention in Kansas City from Monday, August 16, through August 19.

Here is how to find us: From the convention floor in Kemper Arena, walk to the left of the podium and exit through the South Entrance. Go about 100 yards, across a railroad tracks, and into the Governor's Exposition Hall. As you enter the building, ABC will be on your right.

We look forward to welcoming you!

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

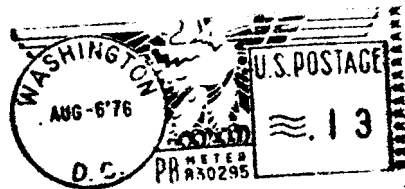


Eugene Cowen  
Vice President

Hon. Ronald H. Nessen  
Press Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

August 6, 1976





Hon. Ronald H. Nessen  
Press Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

**American Broadcasting Company** 1150 Seventeenth Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20036

# United Republican Victory Luncheon

4410 Main Street • Kansas City, Missouri 64111

Mr. Don Nissen

*The United Republican Victory Luncheon*



*The United Republican Victory Luncheon  
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HENRY W. BLOCH  
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*Honorary Chairmen*

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*Chairman, Citizens for Reagan Committee*

JEREMIAH MILBANK  
*Finance Chairman, Republican National Committee*

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*Chairman, President Ford Committee*

ROBERT MOSBACHER

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*Chairman, Republican National Committee*

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*Chairman, Republican Congressional Committee*

*Co-Chairmen*

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JOHN H. KREAMER  
MILLER NICHOLS  
JOHN RUAN

MORTON I. SOSLAND  
W. CLEMENT STONE  
HERMAN R. SUTHERLAND

*The United Republican Victory Luncheon*



LUNCHEON

Grand Ballroom

1 PM

**Wednesday, August 18, 1976**

The Radisson Muehlebach Hotel  
Kansas City, Missouri

*The United Republican Victory Luncheon  
Committee*

HENRY W. BLOCH  
Chairman

*Honorary Chairmen*

THE HONORABLE PAUL LAXALT  
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*The United Republican Victory Luncheon*

to honor and to meet

**President and Mrs. Gerald R. Ford**

and

**Governor and Mrs. Ronald Reagan**

★

LUNCHEON ADDRESSES

by

**The Honorable Nelson Rockefeller**

*Vice President of the United States*

and

**The Honorable Paul Laxalt**

*United States Senator, Nevada*

**Wednesday, August 18, 1976**

GRAND BALLROOM

THE RADISSON MUEHLEBACH HOTEL

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

*Table 33*

*434*

LUNCHEON

Grand Ballroom

1 PM



*434*

*The United Republican Victory Luncheon*



SOCIAL INVITATIONS-KANSAS CITY

Thursday, August 19, 1976

11 a - 2 pm

Luncheon buffet hosted by NBC. (Held daily,  
but this is the first day your schedule is free)

Kansas City Room

Crown Center Hotel

(Please let them know which day you are coming)

7 - 11 pm

NBC Hospitality Tavern-Lounge parlour car

Fenced off area across from Kemper arena

Diagram available

Anytime

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