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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

March 8, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO:

PETER SORUM

FROM:

SUSAN PORTER J.Y.

SUBJECT:

Action Memo

Mrs. Ford has accepted the following out-of-town invitation:

- EVENT: Luncheon
- GROUP: Women's National Republican Club

DATE: Saturday, March 20, 1976

- TIME: 11:45 VIP Reception, West Foyer 12:30 Luncheon, Ballroom
- PLACE: Waldorf Astoria Hotel New York, New York
- CONTACT: Mrs. Rosemary McGrath, First Vice President O: (212) 582-5454 H: (212) 777-4949
- COMMENTS: Mrs. Ford has accepted the invitation of the Women's National Republican Club to attend their 55th Annual Luncheon to be held on March 20th at the Waldorf in New York. Susan Ford was also invited but has declined.

The Women's National Republican Club will present to Mrs. Ford their "Republican Woman of the Year Award". Barry Goldwater will be the main speaker, and Mrs. Douglas MacArthur will receive their "Affectionate Honor Award". Although I spoke originally with Mrs. John Lodge, the luncheon chairman, Mrs. McGrath has indicated she should probably serve as the contact. Mrs. Rudolf A. Bernatschke is the President. The occasion, judging from press reports, promises to be a gala one. Although the luncheon is Saturday, Mrs. Ford would like to go to New York on Friday for some private appointments and remain overnight. Her departure will be determined by the times of the appointments which she does not yet know.

May I also suggest that you may wish to make a preliminary contact with the Parsons Award people at the time of your advance of the 20th event regarding Mrs. Ford's March 29th New York event. As of this writing I do not have those details but will have them by the time you return from California.

The file is attached.

Thank you.

c: BF Staff Red Cavaney William Nicholson Warren Hendriks H. H. Calloway Dick Mastrangelo Max Friedersdorf Jerry Jones Robert Hartmann Mildred Leonard Rex Scouten Staircase



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The Women's National Republican Club, Inc.

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requests the pleasure of your company at its

55th ANNUAL LUNCHEON

and

"SALUTE TO THE BICENTENNIAL"

Waldorf-Astoria Ballroom New York City

Saturday, March 20, 1976 at 12:30 o'clock

Mrs. Gerald R. Ford "Republican Woman of the Year" Award

Speaker

United States Senator Barry Goldwater "Distinguished Political Service" Award

> Mrs. Douglas MacArthur "Affectionate Honor Award"

Licia Albanese "The Star Spangled Banner"

Music Courtesy of Ben Cutler

Women's Natl. Repub. Club March 20, 1976, NYC

March 2, 1976

Dear Mrs. Bernatschke,

This is to confirm my telephone conversation with Mrs. John Lodge that Mrs. Ford is happy to accept your kind invitation to attend the 55th Annual Luncheon of the Women's National Republican Club in New York on March 20th at the Waldorf-Astoria. I am sure Mrs. Ford would want me to convey her gratitude and her encouragement to all who are actively involved in preparations for this lovely occasion.

with all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Susan Porter Appointments Secretary for Hrs. Ford

Mrs. Rudolf A. Bernatschke President The Women's National Republican Club 3 West 51st Street New York, New York 10019

SP/sr

c: SF Accepted Pending (March 20, New York) William Nicholson

to we discussed,

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dear Mrs. Ford,

As we discussed this morning, this is the invitation you were unable to accept last year and we held it for consideration this year because you hoped to do it. They would like to honor you with their "Woman of the Year Award". Being the national group, I hope you will be able to do this.

If you are planning to accept, I think it would be worthwhile to convey that to them at this time rather than waiting closer to the date.

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Thank you,

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Dear Mrs. Ford:

582-545

As President of the Women's National Republican Club, Inc., I am expressing the hope of every member that you will accept our "Woman of the Year Award" on the occasion of our 55th Annual Luncheon to be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria on Saturday, March 20, 1976 at 12:30 p.m.

We know there are many demands made of your but we do so want you with us at our Anniversary Celebration.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Rudolf A. Bernatschke President

Mrs. Gerald R. Ford The White House Washington, D. C.

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MRS ROBERT GUNTHER

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 22, 1976

Dear Mrs. Gunther:

I was interested in reading your letter of January 19th and learning of your plans for a dinner at the Women's National Republican Club on February 18th and your desire to have Susan Ford as your guest.

Inasmuch as I am not familiar with Susan's schedule I am forwarding a copy of your letter along with a copy of this reply to the office responsible for coordinating Susan's activities. I am sure you will hear from that office in sufficient time for your dinner.

Very best wishes for success in your assignment as Chairman of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Library, and with your dinner program.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Mildred Leonard

Personal Assistant

Mrs. Robert F. Gunther Chairman Calvin Coolidge Memorial Library 308 West 97th Street New York, New York 10025



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January 19, 1976

Ms. Mildred Leonard Asst. to The President White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Miss Leonard:

May I seek your advice after you have read what I would love to have take place.

By way of introduction I am on the Board of Governors of Women's National Republican Club and my assignment is Chairman of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Library.

On February 18, Wednesday we are planning a very fine dinner at the club -- from 6 to 7 in the George Washington Room we shall have cocktails and something lovely re the Bicentennial after which we will go to our Main Dining Room and enjoy dinner with a fine speaker and guests. We are calling it the George Washington Dinner.

Would it be possible that Susan Ford could be our guest? I want to invite several outstanding young people.

Helen Thomas will be our guest at a Tea on January 21st and I am happy to have a picture of a conference with President Ford. By the way he knows me in several things that we have done such as I am with the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame and on the National Council of Women, etc.

May I hear from you and thanks very much for anything you can do to help me.

Sincerely,

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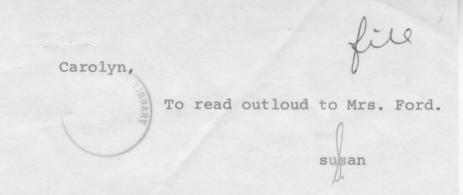
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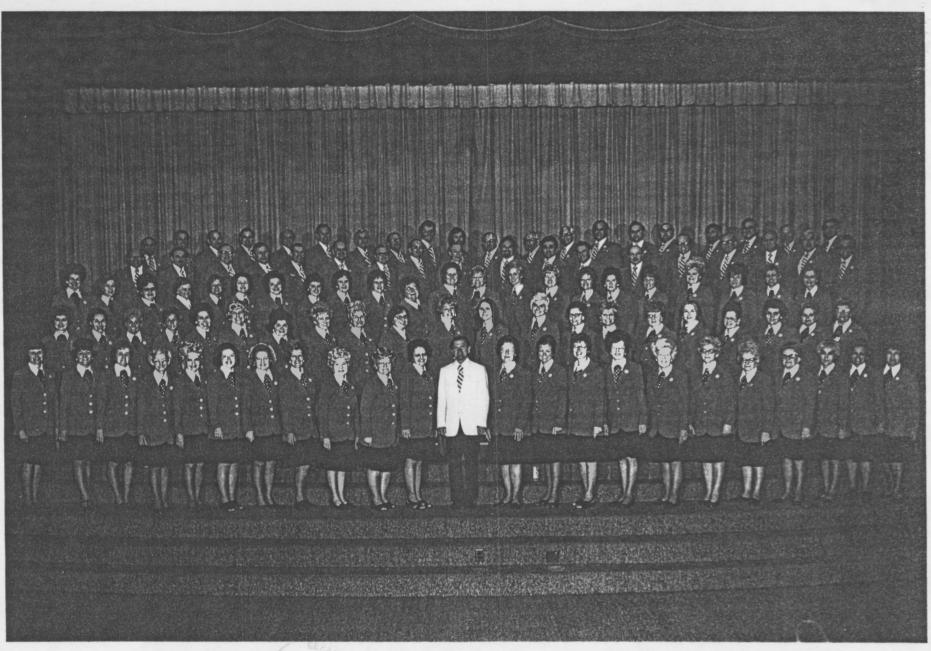
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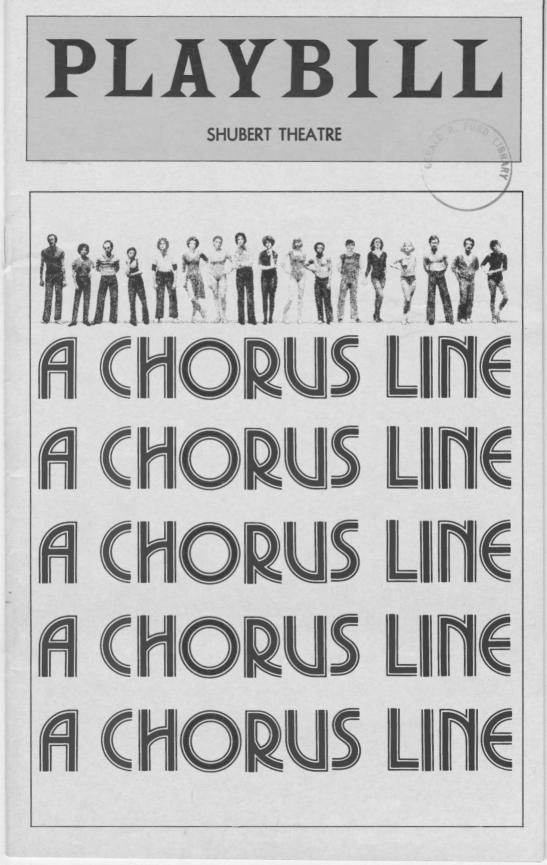
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MUSIC OF BROADWAY

... AND SOME OF THE MEN WHO WRITE IT

by Neal Ashby

One of the men who write the music of Broadway shuts himself up in his apartment when he works, doesn't shave, wears rumpled jeans, does his own cooking, sees no one. (Marvin Hamlisch)

Another of Broadway's composers creates new tunes at a piano in a Madison Avenue office building while wearing a dark business suit, white shirt and tie. (Richard Rodgers)

A third picks out melodies on a toy xylophone. (Richard Adler)

And a fourth writes music for ten minutes at a time while lying down, then drops off to sleep for a few minutes before resuming. (Stephen Sondheim)

The men who write the music of Broadway are as different as are their methods of work. And the differences are never more sharply apparent than when you ask Richard Rodgers and Marvin Hamlisch some similar question about how musicals are written.

Elder statesman Rodgers, at 73 composer of more hit musicals, probably, than

Below: Marvin Hamlisch (A Chorus Line), Right above: Stephen Sondheim (Pacific Overtures) Right below: Richard Rodgers and Sheldon Harnick (music and lyrics, respectively for the upcoming Rex).



anyone else (*Oklahoma!*, *South Pacific*, et al), whose latest, *Rex*, is due in late March, dismisses such inquiries with an impatient expression and wave of the hand that says: "You just sit down and *do* it."

By contrast, 31-year-old Hamlisch, who did the music for the smash musical of recent months, *A Chorus Line*, and seemed "flip" to some in accepting a record three "Oscars" for film composing in 1974, becomes deeply analytical when he discusses his craft. He talks of "the elements of memorability" in a song (repiti-





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tion of passages of music and lyrics; a simple, meaningful message; writing songs that are "an emotional experience;" the growing use of underscoring (background music that is neither sung nor danced to).

To those who love music and the theatre, composers are specially blessed. They summon up from fertile imaginations sparkling songs, and poems that can be sung to them. That is rare enough. But these must be songs and poems that can be integrated smoothly into the flow of a drama performed by actors.

Getting started as a theatre song writer is an informal business. Rodgers attracted attention by writing the score for a Columbia University varsity show when he was a 16-year-old freshman. Many, including Kern, Gershwin and Hamlisch, wiggled into the field as rehearsal pianists. "You're the 'gopher,' " Hamlisch notes. "When you're not playing you run errands."

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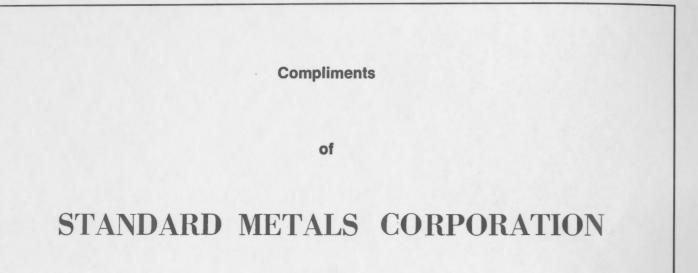
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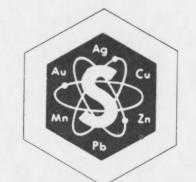
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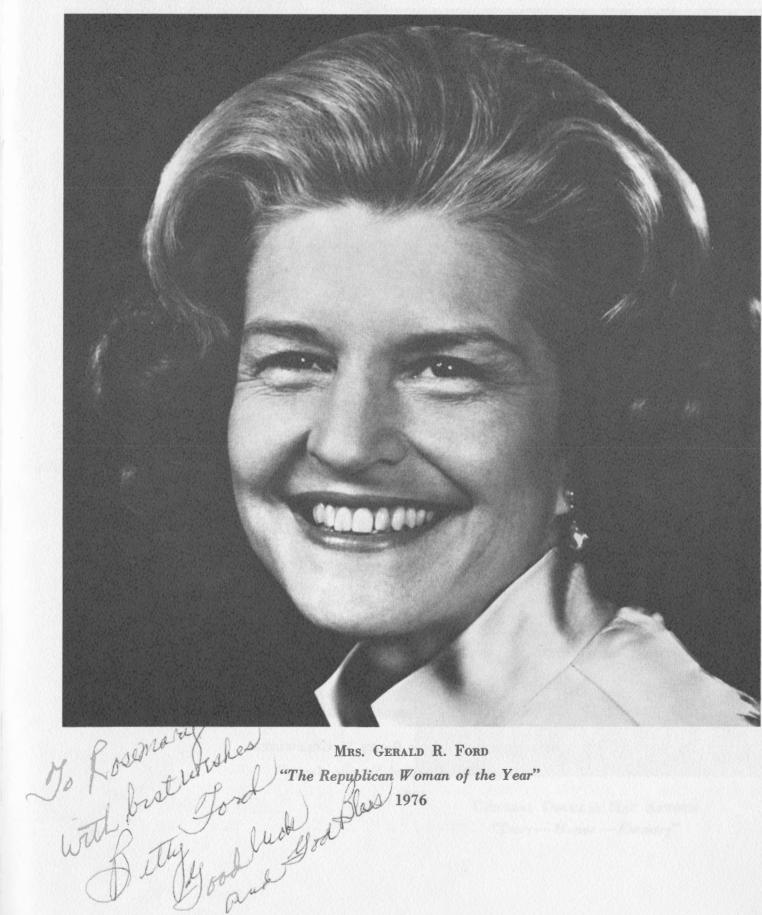
I like to think of our Bicentennial as high ground from which we can see not only how far we have traveled, but where we are heading.

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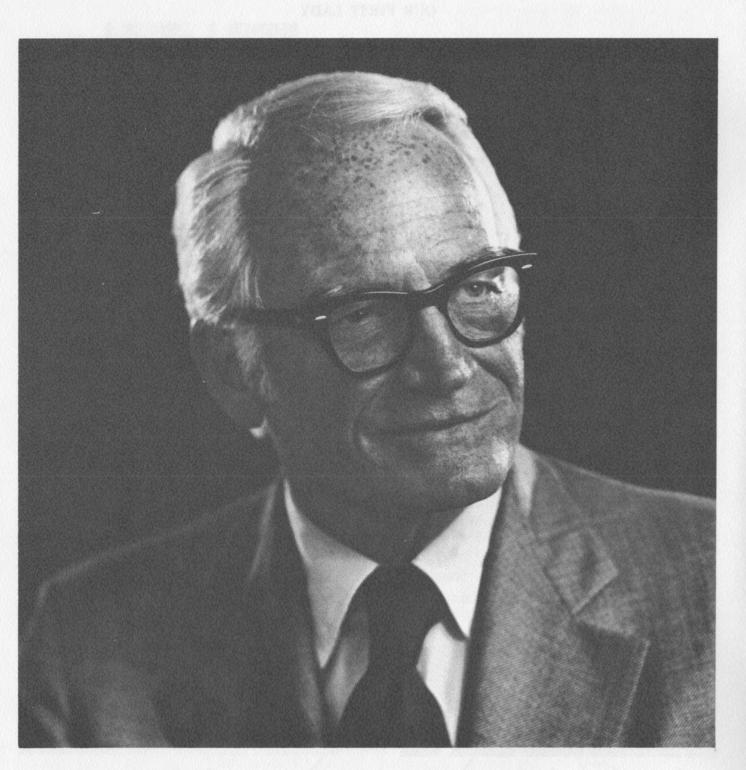
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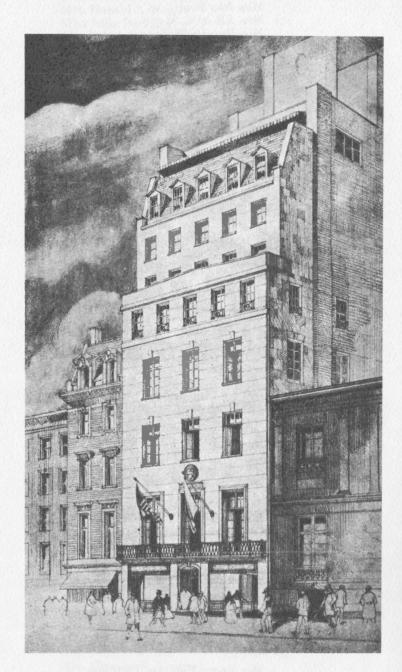


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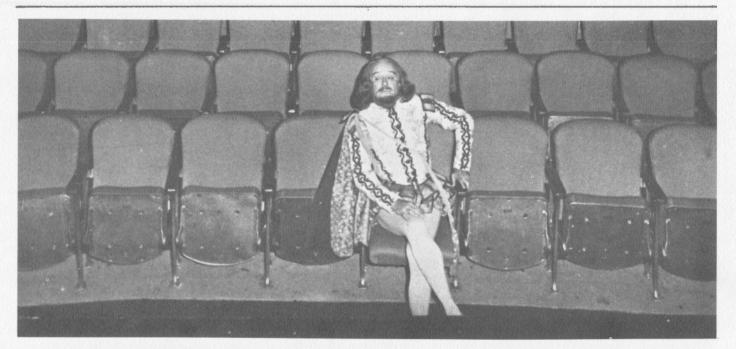
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