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BACKGROUND -- Indiana

Indiana lost five Republican House seats in the 1974 elections. One of the losers was William Hudnut, who has subsequently been elected mayor of Indianapolis. Hudnut had served only one term in Congress. He is a former Presbyterian minister.

Indianapolis, a predominantly Republican city, is an office town with major banks, insurance companies and of course state government. It has a population of almost 750,000 with only two percent black and a small ethnic population.

The primary date is May 4th. Indiana is the 11th largest state. The Equal Rights Amendment just failed to pass the Indiana legislature.

Although both Senators are Democrats, Governor Otis Bowen, a physician, is a Republican. Dr. Bowen was elected in 1972 and will be up for re-election this fall. He reportedly is very popular and is expected to win another four-year term.

Senator Vance Hartke's seat is up this year. The two leading contenders in the GOP primary are former Governor Edgar Whitcomb and former Indianapolis Mayor Richard Lugar.

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Indianapolis 500 is run on May 30th. The track opens
~~My~~ May 8th. The time trials are ~~xx~~ May 15th and 16th.
A month-long celebration, called the 500 Festival,
~~xx~~ will be kicked off May 2nd with the Mayor's Breakfast.
Also this weekend, radio-controlled miniature cars will
be raced at the Speedway. The big Festival parade is
May 29th. The Queen has already been selected.

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Indianapolis Star/News Interview

Eugene Pullian, Publisher

Max Fridersdorf used to
work for him when Pullian
was Editor of the News.
golf enthusiast & very good

his wife, Jane, will probably be there.

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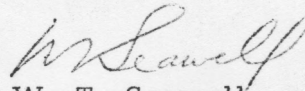
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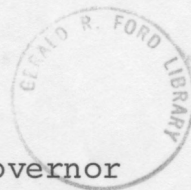
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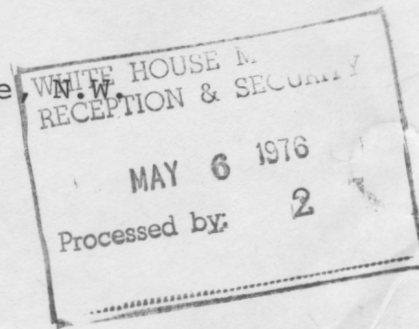


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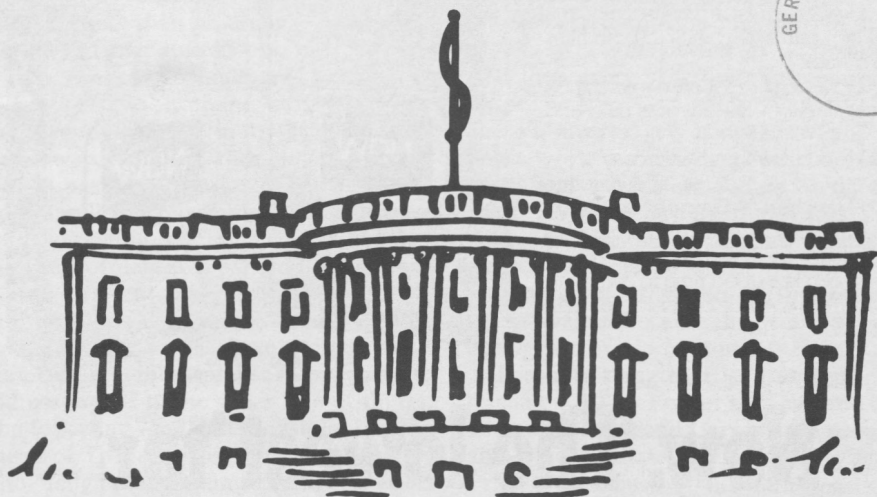
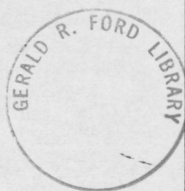
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sonal memories (if they're inaccurate, sue me) with everybody. None of my memories has any historical significance (everything anybody might want to know about the Tonys has been ruthlessly cut out) but they are all in all to me.

1967: The year of the blondes. The ladies, hosts, presenters, winners, all have blonde hair. Only Barbra Streisand has brown hair. Barbra is a presenter, but she doesn't want to open the envelope so we can find out the name of the best musical (*Cabaret*). "It'll break my nails," she says.

Mayor John Lindsay says, "What's done on Broadway today you'll see tomorrow in a rug company." Oh? Later on, figure it out. He said *road* company.

1968: Opening number from *Golden Rainbow* features blue feathered ladies in sky.

Jack Benny says he doesn't know why he was invited. "I haven't done a play in New York in over 30 years. I wanted to be in *Tea and Sympathy* but I thought I was too old to play the son, and Robert Anderson thought I was too old to play the father. He said he didn't want that much sympathy."

Eli Wallach and Anne Jackson try to present the Best Supporting Actor Tony to James Patterson. James Patterson is in Yugoslavia. "Who do I give it to?" says Jackson. "Don't look at me," says Wallach.

Audrey Hepburn introduces Maurice Chevalier, giving the old French accent all she's got. Shove-al-ay, she calls him, and Maurice, on this eve of his 80th birthday tells the audience, "We 'ave been friends, led-eeze and gentamen for fortée yairs." (Only accent I like as well as Shove-al-

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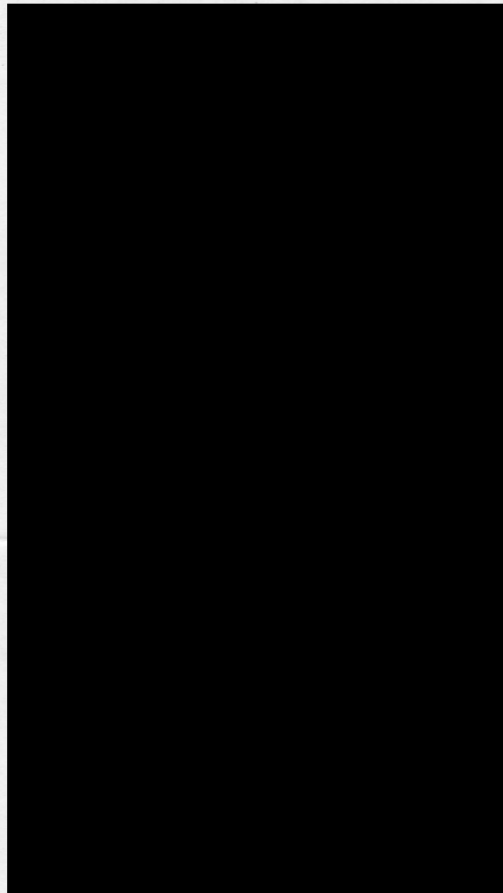

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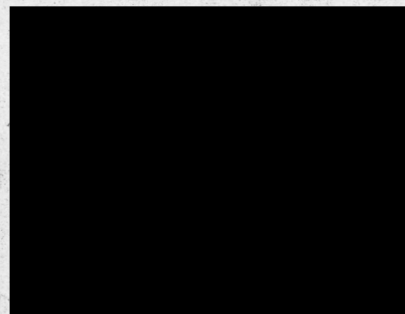
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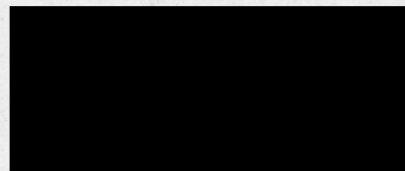
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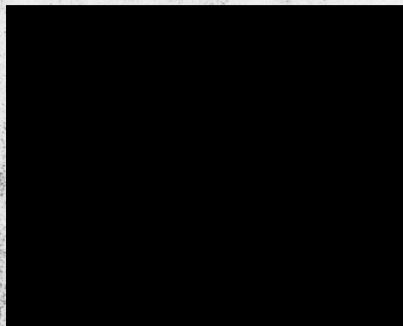
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