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### THE WHITE HOUSE

September 12, 1975

Dear Mrs. Ford,

Attached is the scenario for the Treemonisha Company Reception/Tour this afternoon at 4:00.

I will be in contact with Nancy or Carolyn just before it is time for you to come downstairs for the event and I will escort you to the Blue Room.

If you would like to have any changes on the scenario, please let me know and I will take care of them.

Thank you.

### THE WHITE HOUSE

### WASHINGTON

### September 12, 1975

### MRS. FORD:

Event: Reception/Tour for the Treemonisha Company

Date/Time: September 12, 1975 4:00 p.m.

Place: State Floor and Second Floor

Number of Attendees: 60 guests

Principals: Congresswoman Barbara Jordan (Texas)

Mr. David Gockley, Director of Houston Grand Opera Mr. Chris Nance, Conductor of Houston Grand Opera

Schedule of Events: 4:

4:00 p.m. Your guests will arrive through the East Gate

and will be escorted to the Blue Room where refreshments will be served to your guests.

4:10 p.m. You will be escorted via elevator to the

Blue Room where you will join your guests

for refreshments and mingle informally.

4:20 p.m. You will invite your guests to have a tour of

the Yellow Oval Room, Queen's Room,

Lincoln Room and Treaty Room.

You will then escort your guests up the Grand

Stairway to the Center Hall.

4:25 p.m. You will bid farewell to your guests in the

Center Hall and return to the Family Quarters.

NOTES:

A String Ensemble will be positioned in the

Grand Hall.

There will be open press coverage.

Reception/Tour for the Treemonisha Company

A White House photographer will be present.

See attached newspaper clipping.

Guest list is attached.

Pat Howard





# 'Treemonisha'

By Joseph McLellan Take two known ingredients-Scott Joplin's opera, "Treemonisha," and Washington soprano Carmen Balthrop - and put them together and what do you have? Last night in the Kennedy Center Opera House, we had scmething new and very splendid: a dazzling perspective on an opera we

may have thought we already knew.

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It is approximately contemporary

with Stravinsky's "Petrushka" and "Rite of Spring," but in terms of music and structure it belongs to the preceding century. It was not mainly an attempt by Joplin to integrate black musical usages into the classical tradition, except in the very beautiful "Real Slow Drag," which is its last number. Rather, it represented a basis

DAY, SEPTEMBER, 5, 1975

### WITHDRAWAL SHEET (PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARIES)

List  Memo from Mike Farrell to Appointments Center, Jane Dannenhauer, Susan Porter, Pat Howard, Officer in Charge regarding "Treemonisha" Company to meet with Betty Ford on September 12, 1975. 6 pages. Attached to note from Pat to Betty Ford, 9/12/1976.	9/12/1975	C

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